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JUNE 2021 Early Literacy At Home Learning

Help your child develop early literacy skills and Grow Up Reading™. Enjoy a fun, family activity each day that helps teach important pre-reading skills.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Talking Talk about fun things you can do in the summer.	2 Singing Clap out the rhythm as you sing to a song on the radio.	3 Reading Read a book about a farm animal.	4 Writing Practice writing the letters "S-U-N".	5 Counting Before reading a book together, count the number of pages in the book.
6 Playing Build a tall tower out of blocks.	7 Talking Talk about the days of the week and the months of the year.	8 Singing Sing <i>5 Little Fish</i> to celebrate <i>World Ocean Day</i> .	9 Reading Read a book with ocean characters.	10 Writing Draw a picture of your fish swimming in the sea.	11 Counting Practice your counting. How high can you count?	12 Playing Join us virtually to kickoff Summer Reading 2021 Tails and Tales with Madcap Puppets today and sign up for summer reading.
13 Talking Talk about the different sounds animals make.	14 Singing Pick your favorite animal and sing your ABC's in their voice.	15 Reading Read a book with a blue cover.	16 Writing Write or draw a to-do list for your day.	17 Counting Count groups of things in one room. For example, how many stuffed animals are in your bedroom?	18 Playing Practice walking backwards.	19 Talking Take a walk and talk about the things you see.
20 Singing Sing <i>Row, Row, Row Your Boat</i> today.	21 Reading Read a book about summer.	22 Writing Explore shadows outside and draw your shadow on paper or the sidewalk.	23 Counting Count the number of birds you see today out your window.	24 Playing Dance around like the different farm animals you've talked about this month.	25 Talking Make up silly words that rhyme with "summer".	26 Singing Sing your favorite song with a silly voice.
27 Reading Read a book with your sunglasses on to celebrate <i>Sunglasses Day!</i>	28 Writing Practice cutting with pieces of scrap paper.	29 Counting Sort the laundry by color and count the piles.	30 Playing Go on an outdoor scavenger hunt for shapes. How many different shapes can you find?	 <div>  <p>© the West Bloomfield Township Public Library www.growupreading.org</p> </div>		

The Library partners with parents to help children Grow Up Reading™

Parents are a child's first teachers. Help your child develop essential early literacy skills and build a strong foundation for future reading success with these six powerful practices.

Talking | **Singing** | **Reading** | **Writing** | **Playing** | **Counting**

Grow Up Reading™ Tips for June: Playing

- Play is serious business when it comes to a child's health and development. From peek-a-boo to pat-a-cake and hide-and-seek to hopscotch, the many forms of play enrich a child's brain, body, and life in important ways.
- Playing with your child should be fun for both of you. You don't have to buy hi-tech toys or solve complicated puzzle pieces. You can play with your child by simply rocking your child from left to right, role playing as the hero and the monster or by stacking wooden blocks together.
- Offer your child a wide range of gross motor activities each day. These motor skills include walking, jumping, throwing or climbing and generally require whole body movement.

Book Suggestions for June:

Summer by Cao Wenxuan

If I Was the Sunshine
by Julie Fogliano

The Pout Pout Fish
by Deborah Diesen

Ocean Animals
by Laaren Brown

Old MacDonald Had a Farm
by Jane Cabrera



Row, Row, Row Your Boat

Row, row, row your boat
Gently down the stream
Merrily merrily, merrily, merrily
Life is but a dream.

Sway, sway, sway your boat
Gently down the stream
Merrily merrily, merrily, merrily
Life is but a dream.

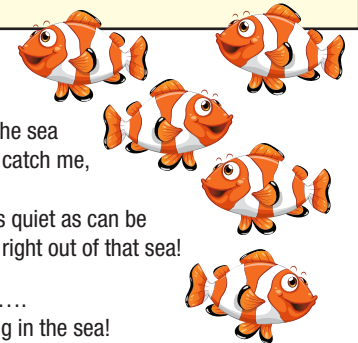
Twist, twist, twist your boat
Gently down the stream
Merrily merrily, merrily, merrily
Life is but a dream.

Bounce, bounce, bounce your boat
Gently down the stream
Merrily merrily, merrily, merrily
Life is but a dream.

5 Little Fish

5 little fish swimming in the sea
Teasing Mr. Shark, "can't catch me,
No, you can't catch me!"
Along comes Mr. Shark as quiet as can be
And he snapped that fish right out of that sea!

Repeat with 4, 3, 2, 1 fish....
No little fish left swimming in the sea!



Have fun with your child with these easy games to play together.

Mirror, Mirror: Stand face to face with your child, about a foot apart, and have them attempt to copy all your movements. Reach up and stretch to the sky. Do 10 jumping jacks. Run in place. Act like a monkey. Make it fun and you'll both be working up a sweat in no time. Then switch roles and copy your child – they won't be able to hold back the laughter (and neither will you!).

Movement Chain: In this interactive game the first person starts by performing a certain movement – this could be something simple like jumping 2 times, or more complex like holding a plank for 30 seconds. The next person has to perform the first movement, and then add on another, forming a chain. The following person does the previous 2 movements, plus adds their own. You continue in this fashion until the chain sequence is broken (usually forgotten!).



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