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Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 WRITING Start a to-do list this week. Talk about it and decide who will do each.	**2 PLAYING** Cut out pictures of fruits and vegetables. Glue them onto a paper sheet or paper plate.
3 TALKING Talk about the weather today and what you should wear outside.	**4 SINGING** Sing a good morning song to the tune of the Happy Birthday song.	**5 COUNTING** Count out a healthy snack. "One for you and one for me."	**6 READING** Check out a new book from the library. Visit hpl.ca for lots of great eBooks.	**7 WRITING** Write a grocery list together. Check what you need and add it to the list.	**8 PLAYING** Are colourful leaves falling? Pretend to be a colourful leaf, falling to the ground.	**9 TALKING** Talk about things for which you are thankful.
10 SINGING Take turns singing bits of the alphabet song.	**11 COUNTING** Trace the hand of each person in your family. Whose hand is bigger, smaller?	**12 READING** Read a book about food with your child.	**13 WRITING** Write your child's name in big letters. Talk about each letter.	**14 PLAYING** Play Rhyming I Spy. "I spy with my little eye something that rhymes with Fall. Yes! A ball!"	**15 TALKING** Read a book together. Ask what is happening and what will happen next?	**16 SINGING** Sing Five Little Speckled Frogs. (Words on the back.)
17 COUNTING Pick a point in your home. Count the steps to get there.	**18 READING** Read a book about a subject your child is interested in using My Capstone Library at hpl.ca.	**19 WRITING** Take turns drawing pictures and talk about the drawings.	**20 PLAYING** Play kitchen or plan a pretend meal together.	**21 TALKING** Talk about sounds you like. Try making the sounds.	**22 SINGING** Sing If You're Happy and You Know It (Words on the back.)	**23 COUNTING** Count the number of pumpkins you see today. Keep a tally.
24 READING Read a book about Fall.	**25 WRITING** Write a list of words that rhyme with dog.	**26 PLAYING** Play a rhyming riddle game. "What do you see that rhymes with 'bee'? Yes, a tree!"	**27 TALKING** Smell items such as spices, flowers, fruit, cocoa and talk about what you like and dislike.	**28 SINGING** Dance to a fast song and then dance to a slow song. Clap along to both songs.	**29 COUNTING** What three items fit inside a pumpkin? What won't fit?	**30 READING** Read your child's favourite story.
31 WRITING List your favourite activities this month.						

Parents are tremendous role models.

If your children see that you think reading is important and enjoy it, they will follow your lead. When you go to the library, check-out books for you and your children. Put your books somewhere at home where your child can see them. Let your children see you reading. Talk about what you've read, even if it is just to say, "That was a good book. I liked reading it."

FIVE LITTLE SPECKLED FROGS

Five Little speckled frogs

Sat on a speckled log

Eating the most delicious bugs

YUM!

One jumped into the pool

Where it was nice and cool

Then there were four speckled frogs.

Then there were three speckled frogs.

Then there were two speckled frogs.

Then there was one speckled frog.

Then there were no speckled frogs.

IF YOU'RE HAPPY AND YOU KNOW IT

If you're happy and you know it clap your hands (clap, clap)

If you're happy and you know it clap your hands (clap, clap)

If you're happy and you know and you really want to show it

If you're happy and you know it clap your hands (clap, clap)

REPEAT USING:

If you're happy and you know it stomp your feet!

If you're happy and you know it shout Hooray!

If you're happy and you know it do all three.

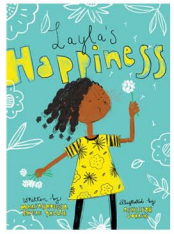
Books to Read this Month

Check out these books at the library. If they are not available, ask the librarian for a recommendation.

One Leaf, Two Leaves Count With Me!
John Micklos

Will Bear Share?
Hilary Leung

Tokyo Digs a Garden
Jon-Erik Lappano



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