



READ-WITH-ME

FAMILY LITERACY ACTIVITIES

FOR KIDS 0-36 MONTHS



INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK

<p>Count To 10</p>	<p>Sort toys by size, (big and little), color, or shape</p>	<p>Act out a simple book with your child</p>	<p>Sort socks with your child</p>	<p>Tell the story of Little Red Riding Hood</p>
<p>Sing a nursery rhyme *</p>	<p>Read a story together</p>	<p>Clap the syllables in a song as you sing with your child</p>	<p>Cook a meal with your child and talk about what you are doing</p>	<p>Read a story with your child</p>
<p>Read a story and let your child turn the pages</p>	<p>Make some mud pies!</p>	<p>Play with play dough*</p>	<p>Read a story with your child</p>	<p>Sing a song and change the sounds. (Example: Dock-a- rye gaby, in the free-sop...)</p>
<p>Read a story together</p>	<p>Put on some music and dance!</p>	<p>Build with blocks</p>	<p>Read while running your finger under the words as you say them.</p>	<p>Describe foods as you eat together (sweet, sour, salty, soft, crunchy, etc.)</p>
<p>Find items with different textures (smooth, soft, rough, etc.) & talk with your child about how they feel</p>	<p>Put a simple puzzle together with your child</p>	<p>Sing the ABC song</p>	<p>Point out colors when taking a walk</p>	<p>Point out numbers on signs, clocks, pages of books, etc.</p>

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

****See the back for recipes or
suggestions for these activities.***

Instructions

Do all the activities listed to get a goody bag and free book for your child!
For each page completed your child's name will be entered for our large and grand prize drawings, but only one goody bag and book will be given per child.

• PLAY “SAND” RECIPE

- ◇ 4 cups **whole-wheat** flour (Not white or “white” whole wheat. Brown whole wheat is what makes it really look and feel like sand from the beach)

- ◇ 1/2 cup vegetable oil

Mix well. It has the consistency of damp beach sand, without being sticky or wet. It has a light brown color, too, which makes it look even more like sand.

• FINGER-PAINT RECIPE

- ◇ 2 cups of corn starch
- ◇ 1 cup of cold water
- ◇ 4.5 cups of boiling water
- ◇ Liquid food coloring

Mix the corn starch with the cold water and stir together. Pour in the boiling water a cup at a time and stir between each cup. It goes really strange (you are basically mixing a hot oobleck goop) but keep stirring and eventually it will seem to “melt” into a wonderful, custard-like consistency. Portion out into small jars or bowls and add color. If the paint doesn’t thicken up, try adding corn starch a little at a time (up to 1 cup). You may also try mixing it over medium heat to help bring it together.

• NO COOK PLAY DOUGH RECIPE

- ◇ 2 cups plain flour
- ◇ 1 cup salt
- ◇ 1 toil
- ◇ 1/2 to 1 cup cold water
- ◇ 2 drops liquid food coloring

Combine plain flour and salt. Add water, food coloring and oil. Mix until ingredients are combined. Knead well. If consistency is too wet add a little plain flour.

SAMPLE NURSERY RHYMES

All Around the Mulberry Bush

All around the mulberry bush
The monkey chased the weasel.
The monkey thought 'twas all in fun.
Pop! goes the weasel.

A penny for a spool of thread,
A penny for a needle.
That's the way the money goes.
Pop! goes the weasel.

Up and down the City Road,
In and out of the Eagle,
That's the way the money goes.
Pop! goes the weasel.

Half a pound of tuppenney rice,
Half a pound of treacle,
Mix it up and make it nice,
Pop! goes the weasel

Peter, Peter Pumpkin Eater

Peter, Peter, pumpkin eater,
Had a wife and couldn't keep her.
He put her in a pumpkin shell
And there he kept her, very well.

Research in early literacy reveals that nursery-rhymes can be instrumental in boosting young children’s ability to master pre-reading skills. The library has books of nursery rhymes available for checkout, or visit the websites below for more ideas.

<http://laptimesongs.com/alphabetical/mother-goose-nursery-rhymes/>

<http://www.rhymes.org.uk/>