



WEST BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

AUGUST 2020 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.

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MONDAY

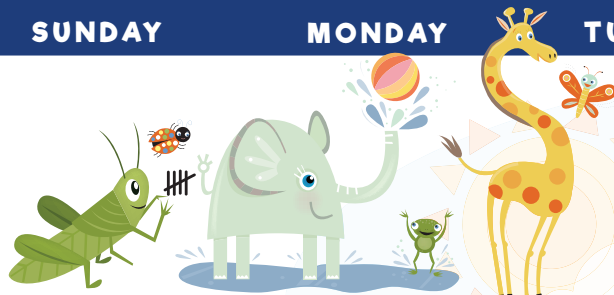
TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



@ the West Bloomfield Township Public Library
www.growupreading.org



1 Talking

Talk about things that start with the letter "A" like August.

2 **Singing**

Create a homemade instrument and dance around the house to music.

3 **Reading**

Read a book about the beach.

4 **Writing**

Draw shapes and look around the house for matches.

5 **Counting**

Count how many books you've read for summer reading.

6 **Playing**

Play with blocks. What can you make?

7 **Talking**

Talk about great places to visit in the summer.

8 **Singing**

Sing a song with words that rhyme. What silly words can you put together to make a silly rhyming song?

9 **Reading**

Log your summer reading hours online to earn summer reading rewards!

10 **Writing**

Draw a picture of a summer activity.

11 **Counting**

Sort toys by size. Count the number of toys in each group.

12 **Playing**

Have fun with water today! Fill up tubs or bowls with water outside and splash away!

13 **Talking**

Talk about animals that like the hot weather.

14 **Singing**

Sing the Animals on the Farm today.

15 **Reading**

On National Relaxation Day, curl up with your favorite book and unwind.

16 **Writing**

Draw a picture of your favorite thing.

17 **Counting**

Count the number of blue things you see around your house.

18 **Playing**

Pretend you're a favorite pet. How do you walk? How do you talk?

19 **Talking**

Talk about the different types of fish in the ocean.

20 **Singing**

Sing 5 Little Fishies today.

21 **Reading**

Read a book about a fish.

22 **Writing**

Draw a picture of fish swimming in the ocean.

23 **Counting**

Count the number of doors in your home.

24 **Playing**

Play "I Spy" outside.

25 **Talking**

Before bedtime, talk about where animals sleep at night.

26 **Singing**

Sing about something you're doing.

27 **Reading**

Look at the cover of a book before reading it and point out the book's title.

28 **Writing**

Practice your pincer grasp by painting with a Q-tip on the sidewalk.

29 **Counting**

Count the number of items from your mailbox.

30 **Playing**

Draw pictures and write with sidewalk chalk.

31 **Talking**

Talk about things you do in the morning.

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 August: Reading

- Before you read a book with your child try and read it yourself first. Then try and change your tone to fit the dialogue throughout the book as you read it together.
- Let your child choose what they want to read. Studies show children will be more involved in reading if they are choosing titles that are of interest to them.
- Encourage your child to learn new words. Introduce your child to new words every day. Talk about what those words mean and how they are used.

Book Suggestions for August:

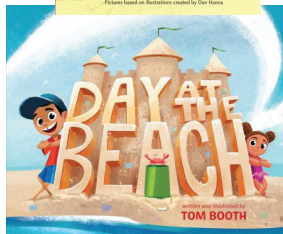
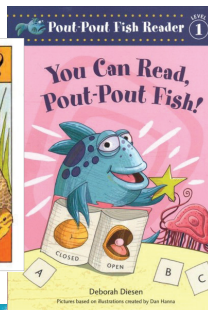
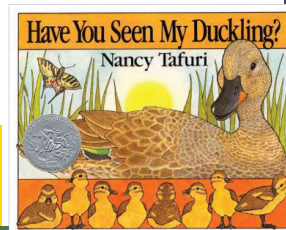
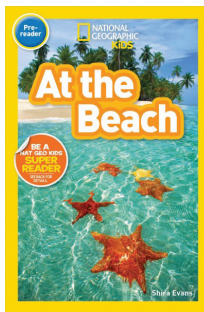
Have You Seen My Duckling?
by Nancy Tafuri

The Pout Pout Fish
by Deborah Diesen

Summer Song
by Kevin Henkes

Day at the Beach
by Tom Booth

At the Beach
by Shira Evans



Animals on the Farm

(Sung to the tune of "Wheels on the Bus")

The cows on the farm say moo, moo, moo,
Moo, moo, moo

The cows on the farm say moo, moo, moo
All day long.

Additional verses: Sheep—baa, ducks—quack,
horses—neigh, pigs—oik, chick—peep



Five Little Fishies

5 little fishies swimming in the sea

Teasing Mr. Alligator, can't catch me,
No you can't catch me.

Along came Mr. Sharkie as quiet as can be
and he SNAPPED that fish right out of the sea.

4 little fishies swimming in the sea...

3 little fishies swimming in the sea...

2 little fishies swimming in the sea...

1 little fishies swimming in the sea...

Oh no, there are no more fishies,
where did they all go?

Summer Reading

There's still time to register for
summer reading!

Log on to the Library website to record
your hours read and earn rewards!



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(Summer) Noon – 5 PM
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