



WEST BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

OCTOBER 2019 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 <i>Talk about what you like about fall.</i>	2 Singing <i>Sing Autumn Leaves Are Coming Down today.</i>	3 Reading <i>Pick a favorite book and read it together.</i>	4 Writing <i>Trace the shape of a leaf onto paper with crayons.</i>	5 Counting <i>It's World Card Making Day! Decorate a card for someone special and count the number of designs on your card.</i>
6 Playing <i>Play with play-doh and then cut your pieces with scissors.</i>	7 Talking <i>Tell your family a funny story.</i>	8 Singing <i>Use homemade instruments like coffee can drums and have fun singing while playing your instrument.</i>	9 Reading <i>Read a book with an orange cover today.</i>	10 Writing <i>Draw a picture of a jack-o-lantern.</i>	11 Counting <i>As you eat a snack, ask counting questions like, "How many crackers will you have left if you eat one?"</i>	12 Playing <i>Play dress up and put on a show for your family.</i>
13 Talking <i>Talk about things that start with the letter "O" like October.</i>	14 Singing <i>Sing a song to your favorite toy.</i>	15 Reading <i>Read a Paddington Bear book this month.</i>	16 Writing <i>Visit the Main Library for the Little Artists program today and enjoy creating and exploring.</i>	17 Counting <i>It's National Pasta Day! Celebrate by making a pasta necklace by lacing colored noodles through a piece of yarn.</i>	18 Playing <i>Put some tape on the floor to make roads for your toy cars.</i>	19 Talking <i>Talk about what you want to be when you grow up.</i>
20 Singing <i>Sing The Five Little Pumpkins today.</i>	21 Reading <i>Have quiet reading time today.</i>	22 Writing <i>Make a skeleton picture using q-tips or toothpicks.</i>	23 Counting <i>How many words can you think of that rhyme with "dog"?</i>	24 Playing <i>Pretend you are a skeleton and rattle your bones around the room.</i>	25 Talking <i>Take a walk and talk about the color of the leaves you see.</i>	26 Singing <i>The Monster Mash party at the Library will have you singing and dancing as you enjoy the DJ and crafts!</i>
27 Reading <i>Read the book There's a Monster In Your Book this month!</i>	28 Writing <i>Practice writing the letters "O", "F", and "H" this month.</i>	29 Counting <i>Go on a hunt to find orange things around the house. Count how many you found.</i>	30 Playing <i>Play your favorite fall sport with a friend.</i>	31 Talking <i>Talk about the changes you see outside.</i>	 © the West Bloomfield Township Public Library www.growupreading.org	

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™ for October: Singing and Talking

- Your child wants to hear your voice more than any other. Singing and talking with your infant will help build your bond and bring comfort to your little one.
- Songs are a great way to help anyone learn and remember. An important part of early childhood development, singing contributes to teach behavior, basic skills, and social skills. Preschool songs also use rhymes to help children to learn vocabulary and communication skills.
- Studies have shown that children who sing and rhyme regularly also tend to have an easier time learning to speak. They have already developed the vocabulary to express themselves, and they also become more creative and confident. School is also easier for them, especially reading and spelling.

Book Suggestions for October:

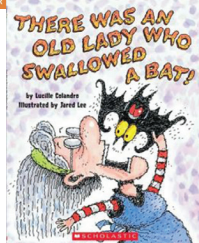
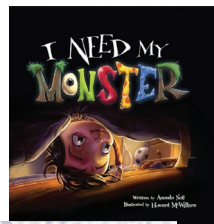
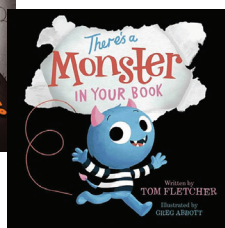
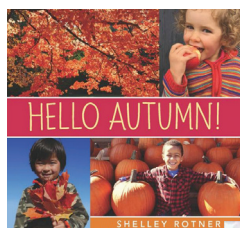
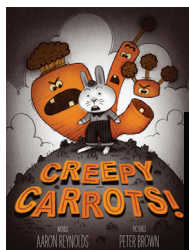
There's a Monster in Your Book
by Tom Fletcher

Creepy Carrots!
by Aaron Reynolds

I Need My Monster
by Amanda Noll

*There Was an Old Lady
Who Swallowed a Bat*
by Lucille Colandro

Hello Autumn!
by Shelley Rotner



Autumn Leaves Are Falling Down

(tune: London Bridges)

Autumn leaves are falling down,
Falling down, falling down.

Autumn leaves are falling down
On the ground.

Find a broom and start to sweep,
Start to sweep, start to sweep.

Find a broom and start to sweep
Start to sweep.

Make them into a great big heap,
Great big heap, great big heap.

Make them into a great big heap
On the ground.

Here comes the wind to blow them around,
Blow them around, blow them around.

Here comes the wind to blow them around
On the ground!



Five Little Pumpkins

Five little pumpkins sitting on a gate
First one said "Oh my, it's getting late!"
Second one said "There are witches in the air"
The third one said "but we don't care!"
The fourth one said "let's run and run and run"
The fifth one said "I'm ready for some fun!"
Ooo ooo went the wind, and out went the light
And the five little pumpkins rolled out of sight



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