## 2020 Early Literacy Calendar

Help your child get ready to read and write by doing one fun and simple activity a day!


## January 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1 <br> Happy New Year! Make a wish for your family this year. | 2 <br> Have a dance party. | 3 <br> Count the number of shoes in your closet. | 4 <br> Draw a picture of your family. Who is the tallest? Who is the smallest? |
| 5 <br> Read a poetry book. | 6 <br> Take a walk outside and look for birds. How many do you see? | 7 <br> Make a warm drink to sip on while you read. | 8 <br> Sing "The Hokey Pokey." | 9 <br> How many words can you think of that rhyme with "hop"? | 10 <br> Walk behind your family member in the snow. Make snow angels together. | Visit the Library! |
| 12 <br> Build a snowman. Dress it up to look like someone you love. | 13 <br> Pretend that you are a hungry creature. What will you eat? | 14 <br> Look at the windows in your house. Which one is the longest? | 15 <br> Get some toys out to play with. Sort them by color. | 16 <br> Build a tower out of things that aren't blocks. | 17 <br> Make a fruit pizza out of a piece of bread or tortilla. What can you put on it? | 18 <br> Play with play dough. Pretend you are making cookies for someone you love. |
| 19 <br> Read one of your favorite books two times. | 20 Sing "The Wheels on the Bus." | 21 <br> Ask a family member to help you make snowflakes out of paper. | 22 <br> Tell one of your favorite stories, then read it. What could you remember? | 23 <br> Cut strips of yarn into different lengths. Sort them into small, medium and large. | 24 <br> Look around your living room. What is the smallest thing you see? | 25 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 26 <br> Make an indoor sensory box with cotton ball snow. Add scoops and tongs. | 27 <br> Read a book while using different voices. | 28 <br> Make a card and give it to someone special. Draw a picture of yourself to put in the card. | 29 <br> Talk about the animals that might be sleeping during winter. Where are they? | 30 <br> Pretend it is summer. Get a towel out and read your book on the beach! | 31 Count to 10 in a loud voice, soft voice, high voice and low voice. |  |

## February 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 <br> Read a book about groundhogs and go outside to see if you can see your shadow. |
| 2 <br> Draw letters in the snow. | 3 <br> Use blankets to make a fort. | 4 <br> Learn a joke and tell it to someone in your family. | 5 <br> Cut out different size hearts. Use hearts to make an animal and glue it on paper. | 6 <br> Have quiet reading time today. | 7 <br> Practice counting to 10 . Count on your fingers. How high can you count? | 8 <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 9 <br> Look around the room and play " Spy" with numbers you see in the room. | 10 <br> Make Valentine's cards for your family. | 11 <br> Have a redthemed meal today. | 12 <br> Read a book about Valentine's Day. | 13 <br> Write the letter O and draw a picture inside. | 14 <br> Happy Valentine's Day! Tell someone you love them. | 15 <br> Sing "Mary Had a Little Lamb." Try out other animals, too. |
| 16 <br> Do a puzzle together. | 17 <br> Use cotton swabs to form letters. Can you make the letters in your name? | 18 <br> Read your favorite book. | 19 <br> Stack blocks to make a tower as high as you can. | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \\ & \text { Play peek-a-boo. } \end{aligned}$ | 21 <br> Match pictures with the letters they start with. | 22 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 23 <br> Play with play dough. | 24 <br> Give 10 hugs. Count as you hug. | 25 <br> Let your child help you measure and mix while cooking today. | 26 <br> Tell your mom or dad about your favorite book. | 27 <br> Gather some toys that can get wet and take a bath. See what floats. | $28$ <br> Sing "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star." Sing it again fast and slow. | 29 <br> It's Leap Day! Do 10 jumping jacks. |


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| 1 <br> Fill a bowl with water. Use items around the house to see if they will sink or float. | 2 <br> Sing "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" while wiggling your fingers in the air. | 3 <br> Read Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons. Count the buttons on each page. | 4 <br> Play music and move to the beat. | 5 <br> Count the letters of the alphabet. | 6 <br> What words rhyme with "cat"? | 7 <br> Draw your child's name in crayon. Trace the name in different colors of the rainbow. |
| 8 <br> Make a collage with tissue paper. Tear it into small pieces and glue them to paper. | 9 <br> Read a book in a whisper, then read the same book with a loud voice. | 10 <br> Find a colorful magazine picture. Make a puzzle by cutting it into pieces. | 11 <br> Go on a walk outside. Count the number of trees you see. | 12 <br> Practice breathing like a bumblebee. Take a deep breath in and buzz out! | 13 <br> Sing "The Itsy Bit- <br> sy Spider." Can you do the motions with your feet? | 14 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 15 <br> Listen to a song you both love and snuggle together. | 16 <br> Build a fort out of sheets and furniture. Pretend you are a bear in a cave. | 17 <br> St. Patrick's Day! Read a book with a green cover. | 18 <br> Take a picture walk through a new book by "reading" the pictures. | 19 <br> First day of spring! Do 20 jumping jacks to celebrate. | 20 <br> Write down as many words as you can that rhyme with "dog" and "tree." | 21 <br> Find a feather. Try blowing on it gently and hard to see what happens. |
| 22 <br> Draw the letters in the alphabet. Use a cotton swab and paint to dab each letter. | 23 <br> Mix up your shoes and socks and have a matching contest. Can you find the pairs? | 24 <br> Make a cozy place to read with pillows. Cuddle up with a favorite book. | 25 <br> Act out and sing "Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed." | 26 <br> Make a play dough maze by tracing a path with your finger. Roll a marble through it. | 27 <br> Sing the ABC song to the tune of "Mary Had a Little Lamb." Can you do it? | 28 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 29 <br> Write down three things you love. | 30 <br> Draw zigzags on strips of paper. Snip the lines with scissors. | 31 <br> Practice drawing or writing letters in shaving cream or pudding. |  |  |  |  |

## April 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  |  |  | 1 <br> Look at the toys around your house and sort them based on their colors or size. | 2 <br> Collect empty boxes and build something together out of them. | 3 <br> Take a walk through your neighborhood and point out and name shapes. | 4 <br> Play with measuring cups. What cup holds the most? What holds the least? |
| 5 <br> Plant a sunflower! Talk about the changes you see happening as your plant grows. | 6 <br> Read a book about springtime and compare it to what's happening outside. | 7 <br> Cut up raw vegetables or fruits and talk about their colors together. | 8 <br> Sing a song you remember from your childhood or find a new favorite song. | 9 <br> Draw on white paper with a black crayon, then on black paper with a white crayon. | 10 <br> Give each other a hug! | 11 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 12 <br> Pretend you are different animals. What do they sound like? How do they move? | 13 <br> Play music and dance together. | 14 <br> Gather scraps of fabric. Feel and look at the patterns, colors and textures. | 15 <br> Reuse envelopes and practice stamping on them. Deliver your "mail" to someone. | 16 <br> Find a good bedtime book and snuggle up together. | 17 <br> Make a list of special people in your life and talk about what they like to do. | 18 <br> Put music on in the car and sing along together. |
| 19 <br> Check out an informational picture book and look at the photographs together. | 20 <br> Make a collage of your favorite things by cutting out pictures from old magazines. | 21 <br> Spring clean together! Sweep, dust and pick up. Children often love to be helpers! | 22 <br> Celebrate Earth Day! Go on a nature walk and collect sticks, leaves and stones. | 23 <br> See how many birds you spot today and track them as they fly across the sky! | 24 <br> Play with water outside. Fill a tub with water and put in cups and other containers. | 25 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 26 <br> Roll a ball back and forth together. Practice catching and throwing. | 27 <br> Read a book about feelings and talk about it together. | 28 <br> Go to the grocery store. Point out different foods and name and describe them. | 29 <br> Find a wordless book and make up the story together based on the pictures. | 30 <br> Look at the backs of cereal boxes together and talk about what letters you see. |  |  |

## May 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  |  |  |  |  | 1 <br> Make a list of your family members. How many are there? | 2 <br> Play classical music and have a dance party. |
| 3 <br> Draw pictures of your favorite foods and label them. | 4 <br> Sing one of your favorite songs to a favorite person! | 5 <br> Sing "Baa Baa Black Sheep." Sing it again quiet and loud. | 6 <br> Have a color themed lunch today. | 7 <br> Make homemade shakers by filling plastic eggs with dried beans. | 8 <br> Find and name the letters you see at the grocery store as you shop. | $9$ <br> Visit the Library! |
| 10 <br> Make up a song about what your family is doing this weekend. | 11 <br> Write a list of all the things you like to do in the spring. | $12$ <br> Find shapes in the buildings and signs around you. | 13 <br> Pretend you are jumping in puddles in the rain. SPLASH! | 14 <br> Read a book and talk about the parts of the book: cover, back, etc. | 15 <br> Try something new together today! | 16 <br> Play color "I Spy" and find things of different colors in the room. |
| 17 <br> Go for a walk and count the flowers you see. | 18 <br> Lay on your stomach and raise your arms and legs and pretend to fly! | 19 <br> Help mom or dad write the shopping list. | 20 <br> Tell your family some things that you love about them. | 21 <br> Use a paper lunch bag to make a puppet and tell a story. | 22 <br> Sprinkle sugar on a cookie sheet and write numbers in the sugar. | $23$ <br> Visit the Library! |
| 24 <br> Read your favorite book together. <br> 31 <br> What words rhyme with "cap"? | 25 <br> Make an indoor sandbox: oatmeal in a tub with scoops and shovels. | 26 <br> Draw a picture of what you see from a window in your house. | 27 <br> Play with play dough and talk about what you're making. | 28 <br> Count the beds in your house. Which one is the biggest? Which one is the smallest? | 29 <br> Play music and move to the beat. Pause the music and freeze. | 30 <br> Talk about feeling words: happy, sad, scared, lonely, mad, embarrassed. |

## June 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  | 1 <br> Line up the stuffed animals in your house and count them. | 2 <br> Write a list of all the things you like to do in the summer. | 3 <br> Eat something green with your lunch today. | 4 <br> Visit a body of water today. Is it a lake? A pond? A swamp? | 5 <br> Find items in your house that are red. | 6 <br> Pick a nursery rhyme to practice this month until you have it memorized. |
| 7 <br> Hide an object and turn off the lights. <br> Now go on a flashlight scavenger hunt! | 8 <br> When riding in the car, look for and count the number of red cars you see. | 9 <br> Sing "The Wheels on the Bus." Make up a new verse! | 10 <br> Use blocks to make a tall tower. Count how high you stack the blocks. | 11 <br> Do a puzzle together. | 12 <br> Read five books in a row and do five jumping jacks in between each book. | 13 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 14 <br> Take a bowl of water and a paint brush and go outside and "paint." | 15 <br> How high can you count? Can you count by fives? Tens? | 16 <br> Take a walk and talk about the colors of the flowers that you see. | 17 <br> Read a book about science. | 18 <br> Think of words that rhyme with "hop." | 19 <br> Take a drive and count the American flags that you see. | $20$ <br> Draw outside with sidewalk chalk. |
| 21 <br> Go on a nature walk. Find 10 different leaves. | 22 <br> Plant a seed and make a plant marker with a popsicle stick. | 23 <br> Check out a book about a farm animal. | 24 <br> Thread pipe cleaners into a colander to work on fine motor control. | 25 <br> Pick three books to read before bedtime. | 26 <br> Find a new park and play there together. | 27 <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 28 <br> Use play dough to make letters. | 29 <br> Tell your family a funny story. | 30 <br> Practice cutting with pieces of scrap paper. |  |  |  |  |

## July 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  |  |  | 1 <br> Count the number of steps it takes to get from your kitchen to your bedroom. | 2 <br> Use a sheet as a cape and pretend you're a superhero. | 3 <br> Read a story outside on a blanket. | 4 <br> Happy Fourth of July! Paint with red, white and blue today. |
| 5 <br> Pretend that you are angry. Take a deep breath and count to three on your fingers. | 6 <br> Name the colors in the rainbow. | 7 <br> Give a hug to a family member every time he or she says your name. | 8 <br> Search for the first letter of your last name in a book as you read. | 9 <br> Grab two spoons and sing "Row, Row, Row Your Boat" as you row with spoons. | 10 <br> Count your fingers and toes in a funny voice. | 11 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 12 <br> Dig a hole in the backyard. What treasures can you find? | 13 <br> Play hide and seek. Count to ten with your eyes closed. | 14 <br> Go on a flower hunt. Can you learn the names of the flowers you see? | 15 <br> Pretend you are going to school. What would go in your backpack? | 16 <br> Make a colorful snack. Use more than three colors. | 17 <br> Make a card for someone you love. | 18 <br> Find a book that includes an animal you like. |
| 19 <br> Trace your handprint. Then trace a grownup's handprint outside of yours. | 20 <br> Relax in the shade by drinking something cool and looking at the sky. | 21 <br> Find five small things you could fit in your pocket today. | 22 <br> Cut out numbers and paint them with watercolor for your windows. | 23 <br> Jump for all the syllables in each family member's name. | 24 <br> Play dress up and pretend to be a mom or dad. | 25 <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 26 <br> Which buildings can you see from your house? Find the tallest and smallest. | 27 <br> Run together and pretend to chase imaginary creatures. | 28 <br> Enjoy water play by painting pictures on the sidewalk with water. | 29 <br> Sing "If You're Happy and You Know It." Make up endings that make you laugh. | 30 <br> Check out an ABC picture book at the library. Sing the ABCs as you touch the letters. | 31 <br> Name the people in your family. What do you like about them? |  |

## August 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 <br> Draw outside with chalk. Draw pictures, shapes and letters. |
| 2 <br> What rhymes with "dad"? Silly rhymes are OK, too! | 3 <br> Finger paint. Mix corn syrup and food coloring. Use it to write letters on paper. | 4 <br> Go on a hunt for blue items in the room. Line them up and talk about what you found. | 5 <br> Use buckets and brushes and have a car wash for your toys. | 6 <br> Sing "The Itsy Bitsy Spider." Sing it fast and slow. | 7 <br> Play a board game. Try playing while lying on your stomach. | 8 <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 9 <br> Take a nature walk and collect items. Staple baggies to paper and make a nature book. | 10 <br> Tell a family member what you love about him or her. | $11$ <br> Sing "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." Sing it quiet and loud. | 12 <br> Read a favorite book. Draw a picture about the book and talk about it. | 13 <br> Count the stairs as you walk up and down today. | 14 <br> What are your favorite animals? Can you make their sounds? Try moving like them! | 15 <br> Let your child pick the books you read today. Ask them why they picked that book. |
| 16 <br> Make a fish. Cut a wedge from a paper plate. Glue that piece on the opposite side. | 17 <br> Play with play dough. Can you shape it into letters? | 18 <br> How many words can you think of that begin with the letter "L"? Look around the room. | $19$ <br> Borrow an audiobook from the library. | 20 <br> Unroll yarn on the ground to imitate a tightrope. Walk the line with a toy on your head. | 21 <br> Cut alphabet letters out of magazines or newspapers and make words. | 22 <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 23 <br> Play peek-a-boo. <br> 30 <br> Have quiet reading time today. | 24 <br> Have a yellowthemed lunch today. $31$ <br> Visit a new park! | 25 <br> When at the store, search for the letters in your name. Look on signs, boxes, etc. | 26 <br> Practice throwing balls into a laundry basket. | 27 <br> Make a reading tent. Put blankets or sheets over chairs and crawl in to read. | 28 <br> Think of something new you're going to do soon. Talk about what to expect. | 29 <br> Pick out a new meal to cook. Read through the recipe together as you make it. |


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|  |  | 1 <br> Use a large cardboard box to make a race car. | 2 <br> Blow bubbles outside. Pop them with different parts of your body. | 3 <br> Sing "I'm a Little Teapot." | 4 <br> Go on a nature walk outside. What can you find that's green? | 5 <br> Read a book and then watch the movie. Talk about what is different. |
| 6 <br> Have a picnic inside or outside. | 7 <br> At bed time, sing a song together and talk about what you did today. | 8 <br> Read under a blanket with a flashlight. | 9 <br> Play with a balloon. Count how many times you can hit it before it hits the ground. | 10 <br> While you listen to music, use an empty container and spoon to drum out the beat. | 11 <br> Use play dough to create the perfect pretend meal. | 12 <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 13 <br> Fill a bag with various items and have your child reach in and guess what they are. | 14 <br> Go on a letter hunt and see what letter shapes you can find in the world around you. | 15 <br> Look at pictures of farm animals and talk about what sounds they make. | 16 <br> Staple some pieces of paper together and make a book about your favorite things. | $17$ <br> Dress up and pretend you are a veterinarian. Do check-ups on your stuffed animals. | 18 <br> Find some sticks, pine cones and outdoor materials to make a house. Who lives there? | 19 <br> While driving, point and count the number of trucks you see. |
| 20 <br> While dinner is being made, close your eyes and describe what you hear and smell. | 21 <br> Go to the park and talk about locations like up, down, around, under, in, out, etc. | 22 <br> Sing the alphabet song. | 23 <br> Say a rhyme like "Hickory Dickory Dock." Say it in a high voice and a low voice. | 24 <br> Pretend you are going to the zoo. What animal noises can you make? | 25 <br> Read a book by looking at the pictures. What is happening in the story? | $26$ <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 27 <br> Use yarn and tape to make an obstacle course in the hallway. | 28 <br> When reading a rhyming book, pause and see if your child can guess the word. | 29 <br> Read a favorite book and pretend to be a character from the book. | 30 <br> Create a picture together using things you see outside. |  |  |  |

## October 2020

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|  |  |  |  | 1 <br> Read or retell a favorite story together. | 2 <br> Check out a book about pumpkins and look at the different sizes and shapes they have. | 3 <br> Make a maze by placing masking tape on a flat surface. Drive cars through it! |
| 4 <br> Go on a hunt to find orange items together. How many can you find? | 5 <br> Pick out a book and look at the cover together. What do you think the story is about? | 6 <br> Listen to music and draw together. | 7 <br> Sing a favorite nursery rhyme together like "Itsy Bitsy Spider." | 8 <br> As you eat a snack, ask questions like, "How many crackers will you have left if you eat one?" | 9 <br> Look or go outside and describe the weather. What weather do you like best? | $10$ <br> Visit the Library! |
| 11 <br> Read a book about the moon and talk about how it changes its shape. | 12 <br> Rake leaves into different sized piles. Which one do you think has the most leaves? | 13 <br> Smell different spices together and talk about which ones you like and don't like. | 14 <br> Bake cookies together and let your child help stir the ingredients. | 15 <br> Play with play dough. | 16 <br> Sing "Old McDonald Had a Farm" and practice different animal sounds. | 17 <br> Make an instrument! Empty coffee cans can be drums! |
| 18 <br> Cut pieces of yarn and mix with glue in a bowl. Create a picture with yarn and let it dry. | 19 <br> Look for the first letter of your child's name in books or on signs. | 20 <br> Make a cozy reading spot with pillows and blankets and spend time cuddling. | 21 <br> How many words can you think of that rhyme with "cat"? | 22 <br> Learn how to say "hello" or another word in sign language together. | 23 <br> Think of all the things you'd like to do today. Make a list and cross them off. | 24 <br> Visit the Library! |
| 25 <br> Make up a story together and draw the characters. | 26 <br> Make patterns together out of different colored milk caps, paper clips or crayons. | 27 <br> Read two books about the same animal. Talk about the similarities and differences. | 28 <br> Are you dressing up for Halloween? <br> Tell someone about your costume. | 29 <br> Practice making faces and talk about feelings. What's your silly face? Sad face? | 30 <br> Use contact paper taped to a window to create a colorful leaf collage. | $31$ <br> Happy Halloween! |

## November 2020

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 <br> How many pretend cookies can you make out of play dough? | 2 <br> Play Simon Says. Take turns being Simon. | 3 <br> Sing "There Were 10 in the Bed." Act it out with your toys. | 4 <br> Walk around your neighborhood. Do the trees still have any leaves? | 5 <br> Gobble like a turkey. What other animal sounds do you know? | 6 <br> Cut up a magazine picture. Mix the pieces up and put it back together like a | 7 <br> Look at and talk about a family photo. Tell a special story about your family. |
| 8 <br> Try a new food. What does it taste like? How does it smell? | 9 <br> Take a bubble bath and pop bubbles in the bathtub! Count how many you pop. | 10 <br> Dress up like your favorite character. What will your character do today? | 11 <br> Read a book about birds. What do different kinds of birds do when the air turns cold? | 12 <br> Cuddle up with your favorite person and read your favorite story together. | 13 <br> At bedtime, use a flashlight to make shadow puppets. Tell a story about them. | $14$ <br> Visit the Library! |
| 15 <br> Make a noodle or cereal necklace by threading pieces onto yarn or pipe cleaners. | 16 <br> Check out a kids' cookbook and try a new recipe together. | 17 <br> Make a shopping list together. Draw pictures of the items you'd like to purchase. | 18 <br> Draw a picture for your favorite grown-up showing them what you like to do best! | 19 <br> Find something smooth. Find something fuzzy. Which do you like better? Why? | 20 <br> Fill a bowl with dried rice. Use measuring spoons and cups to pour and divide. | 21 <br> Use painter's tape to make an indoor hopscotch course. |
| 22 <br> Make a box fort! Be sure to add a cozy spot for reading or resting. | 23 <br> Surprise your parent with a hug today! | 24 <br> Search for objects that are yellow. Are all the yellow colors the same? | 25 <br> How many squirrels do you see outside today? | 26 <br> Happy <br> Thanksgiving! Talk about the different kinds of foods in your feast! | 27 <br> Can you find things in your house that start with the letter M ? | 28 <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 29 <br> Listen to a favorite song. Tap out the beat with wooden spoons. | 30 <br> Use washable stamp pads and paper to make fingerprint creatures. |  |  |  |  |  |


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|  |  | 1 <br> Have a redthemed meal today. | 2 <br> Ask a librarian or someone special for a book recommendation. | 3 <br> Read a book about winter and compare it to what's happening outside. | 4 <br> Name some animals that live on a farm. Then sing "Old MacDonald." | 5 <br> Make a happy face and a sad face on the front and back of a paper plate. |
| 6 <br> Play with some buttons. Count and sort them. | 7 <br> Draw large colored shapes on white paper. Tape to the floor and play hopscotch. | 8 <br> Listen to some favorite music and clap to the beat. | 9 <br> Practice cutting with scrap paper or old magazines. | 10 <br> Make a card and give it to someone special. | 11 <br> How many words can you think of that rhyme with "tree"? | $12$ <br> Visit the Library! |
| 13 <br> Write your child's name in big block letters. Let him color inside the letters. | 14 <br> Sit on the floor opposite each other and roll a ball back and forth. | 15 <br> Use blocks to make two identical block structures. | 16 <br> Pick a color of the day and look for things of that color. | 17 <br> Use a clothespin to pick up small items and drop them in a cup. Count them too! | 18 <br> Clap your hands to the syllables of the names of the people in your family. | 19 <br> While at the store, look for all the letters in your child's name. |
| 20 <br> Make finger paints with soap flakes, water and food coloring. | 21 <br> Use construction paper to make placemats for your family. Write their names. | 22 <br> Reread a favorite book today. What do you like about the book? | 23 <br> What are your favorite foods to eat around the holidays. Why? | $24$ <br> Play with puzzles. | 25 <br> Sing a favorite song. Sing it fast, slow, loud and quiet. | $26$ <br> Visit the <br> Library! |
| 27 <br> Have quiet reading time today. | 28 <br> Create an indoor obstacle course. Use pillows and chairs so you can jump and crawl. | 29 <br> Have your child make a pattern using gumdrops or other colorful candy! | 30 <br> Fill a baggie with hair gel and a drop of food coloring. Use your finger to write! | 31 <br> Make a clock out of a paper plate and count down to midnight on it. Happy New Year! |  |  |

