DECEMBER 2020 Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 WRITING Make a winter card to send to someone special. Who will you send it to?	2 PLAYING Make an indoor fort with sheets and furniture. Cuddle together and read favorite books.	3 TALKING Talk about family traditions you'll celebrate this month. Look at photos from previous years and talk about them.	4 SINGING Sing "Snowflakes, Snowflakes." (Words are on the back. →) Give each family member a scarf and move the scarves to the beat of the song.	5 COUNTING Weigh your child and write it here Compare it to the weight you wrote down in January.
6 READING	7 WRITING	8 PLAYING	9 TALKING	10 SINGING	11 COUNTING	12 READING
Read books about different holidays and how people celebrate them.	Write a message to someone important to you.	Pretend to be an animal that likse cold weather. Who will you be?	Talk about your feelings. What made you happy today?	Sing, "The Frost Song." (Words are on the back. (*)	Measure your child's height and write it here Compare it to January and June.	Read a fiction and nonfiction book about winter. Your library has many to choose from!
13 WRITING	14 PLAYING	15 TALKING	16 SINGING	17 COUNTING	18 READING	19 WRITING
Draw shapes: a circle, square, triangle, and rectangle. Have your child color them in. Talk about shapes and point them out today.	Play with a large empty box. What can you pretend to be and do?	At mealtimes, talk about the food you are preparing, what tools you are using, how you are making it, how it will taste.	Sing some favorite songs. Clap along to the singing.	Make a high tower with blocks. How many blocks did you use?	Be a reading role model. Let your child see you reading a book, magazine, or newspaper.	Have each family member write one thing they liked about this week. Have your child decorate the paper.
20 PLAYING	21 TALKING	22 SINGING	23 COUNTING	24 READING	25 WRITING	26 PLAYING
Use play dough or cloud dough to make a snowman.	Talk about the seasons. Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall.	Sing "Cold and Snowy Morning." <i>(Words are on the back. </i>	Name three things that are white like snow.	Draw the alphabet on strips of paper. Add the strips of paper to a container and have your child draw one. Make that the letter of the day.	Pick one color and only use that to cover a whole page with scribbles and pictures.	Go for a short walk after dark. What do you see? What does it feel like outside?
27 TALKING	28 SINGING	29 COUNTING	30 READING	31 WRITING		
Talk about favorite things that happened in 2020.	Make up a song using your child's name. Incorporate other family member names or pets into the song.	It's Measure Your Feet Day. Line up your family's shoes or boots. Whose are the biggest? The smallest?	Snuggle together and read a book of nursery rhymes. The library can help you find one.	With your child, write a list of things you plan to do in 2021.	Public Librat A SSOCIATION A Division of the American Library Associatio W W W. PLA. OR G	

Your library helps children get ready to read.

- The library has many materials and ideas you can use to talk, sing, read, write, play, and count with your child. It doesn't matter if your child is four days old or four years old, we have books, music, programs, and services to help your child develop language and prereading skills.
- We have books to read together, music to borrow, places where you can write, places to play and learn, and programs for all ages.

SNOWFLAKES, SNOWFLAKES Sing to the tune of "Frère Jacoues"

Snowflakes, snowflakes, Snowflakes, snowflakes, All around, All around— Whirling, twirling snowflakes, Whirling, twirling snowflakes, Hit the ground, Hit the ground.

THE FROST SONG Sing to the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell"

The frost is in the air. The frost is in the air. It's wintertime, it's wintertime, The frost is in the air.

The frost tells me it's cold. The frost tells me it's cold. It's wintertime, it's wintertime, The frost tells me it's cold.

SING OTHER VERSES IN WHICH THE FROST IS "ON THE ROOF," "ON THE WINDOWS," AND "ON THE GROUND"

COLD AND SNOWY MORNING

Sing to the tune of "Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush"

This is the way we put on our
mittens
Put on our mittens
Put on our mittens
This is the way we put on our
mittens
On a cold and snowy morning

This the way we put on our coats Put on our coats Put on our coats This is the way we put on our coats On a cold and snowy morning

This is way we put on our hats Put on our hats Put on our hats This is the way we put on our hats On a cold and snowy morning

This is the way we shovel the snow Shovel the snow Shovel the snow This the way we shovel the snow On a cold and snowy morning

This is the way we build a snowman Build a snowman Build a snowman This is the way we build a snowman On a cold and snowy morning.



Books to Read this Month

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

FOR READERS AGES 0-3

Winter Babies by Kathryn Osebold Galbraith

Go, Grandma, Go! *by Lynn Plourde*

FOR READERS AGES 3+

A Big Bed For Little Snow by Grace Lin

Imagine! *by Raúl Colón*

