

Daily Fun with Your Little One!

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



1 Play

It's April Fools' Day. Come up with a fun, innocent prank to play on someone in your family.

2 Reading

It's DIY Day. Take your child to the library and watch her pick out a book and check it out at the front desk all by herself.

3 Science

It's Find a Rainbow Day. Fill up a glass of water and put it into direct sunlight to reveal a rainbow.

4 Rhymes

It's Vitamin C Day. Ask your child to name all the words that rhyme with the letter C.

5 Writing

It's First Contact Day. Get your child some crayons and ask her to draw Earth's first contact with an alien from another world.

6 Stories

It's Student-Athlete Day. Tell your child a sports story of when you were a younger or ask him to make one up for you.

7 Math

Compare objects around the house. Which is larger, heavier, etc.?

8 Science

It's Zoo Lovers Day. Take your child to a nearby zoo or park and look at animals together.

9 Play

It's Unicorn Day. Spend an hour with your child galloping around like unicorns.

10 Sounds

It's Siblings Day. Take turns doing fun impressions of what your child's siblings sound like.

11 Math

Ask your child to gather her stuffed animals and other toys and sort them by size.

12 Science

It's Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day. Make a grilled cheese with your child and explain how and why the cheese melts.

13 Reading

It's Thomas Jefferson Day. Read a story about the Declaration of Independence.

14 Writing

It's Look Up at the Sky Day. Ask your child to draw a sky full of clouds in different shapes and sizes.

15 Play

Get out your child's favorite game and make up new rules together.

16 Math

It's Bean Counter Day. Set out a pile of beans and count them with your child.

17 Stories

Look through an old family photo album and take turns telling stories about the pictures.

18 Rhymes

It's Exercise Day. Ask your child to name as many words as she can think of that rhyme with "run."

19 Songs

It's Hanging Out Day. Make up a song with your child about kicking back and relaxing.

20 Writing

It's Volunteer Recognition Day. Ask your child to draw a picture of your whole family volunteering to help someone in need.

21 Reading

Read books by Lois Ehlert or Eric Carle and then make your own cut-paper art.

22 Play

It's Jelly Bean Day. Take turns trying to throw jelly beans into a cup.

23 Sounds

It's Talk Like Shakespeare Day. Spend the day using fun words like "thou."

24 Writing

Cut out each letter of your child's name and have him put the letters in order.

25 Reading

It's Telephone Day. Bring up different words on your phone and ask your child to read them.

26 Stories

Take turns telling stories about animals in the spring. Where do they live? What do they eat? Are they happy winter is over?

27 Math

It's Gummi Bear Day. Put out a handful of gummi bears and count them one by one with your child as you eat them.

28 Science

Bake cupcakes with your child and talk about what happens to the batter as it bakes in the oven.

29 Writing

Have your child practice writing her name, making each letter a different color.

30 Play

It's Raisin Day. Pull out a box of raisins and ask your child to put together a little skit with each raisin playing a different character.

Help your child get ready to learn to read!

Each day features a fun activity that will help your child build pre-reading skills. Activities are color-coded by skill. Ask your children's librarian for more ideas on how to promote early literacy skills with daily activities at home.

