



**Every Your**

**Child Ready to Read**

**"Moon and Mice" Toddler Time @ Corinth Library**

Extension Activities to help practice the six pre-reading skills\*  
your child can start learning from birth!

**1. Narrative Skills: Being able to describe things and events and tell stories.**

- Talk with your child about what we did at toddler time today.
- Can the two of you retell what happened in one of these stories from today :  

<u>The Always Moon</u> by Karen Brooks	<u>Alphabet Under Construction</u> by Denise Fleming
<u>And If the Moon Could Talk</u> by Kate Banks	<u>Maisy Big, Maisy Small</u> by Lucy Cousins
- Have your child draw a picture then ask your child to tell you the story about it.

**2. Print Motivation: Being interested in and enjoying books.**

- Make book-sharing time a special time for closeness between you and your child.
- Visit your public library often.

**3. Vocabulary: Knowing the name of things.**

- When you child talks to you, add more details to what she says.
- Learn together by reading some non-fiction books about the moon [E 523.3] or mice [E 636] this week.

**4. Print Awareness: Noticing print, knowing how to handle books & how to follow the words on a page.**

- When you read to your child, point to some of the words as you say them, especially words that are repeated.

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<http://www.ala.org/ala/pla/plaissues/earlylit/earlyliteracy.htm>

## 5. Letter Knowledge: Knowing letters are different from each other, knowing their names and sounds and recognizing letters everywhere.

- Help your child play with the letter “M”: You can draw it with a crayon, shape it out of play dough, line up macaroni noodles on their lunch plate.

## 6. Phonological Awareness: Being able to hear and play with the smaller sounds in words.

- Sing the songs from toddler time, in most songs each syllable in a word gets a different note.
- Play word games such as “What sounds like ‘ran’ or “What starts with the same sound as ‘ball?’”

### Orbiting Round the Moon

We'll be orbiting round the Moon, yes we will.  
We'll be orbiting round the Moon, yes we will.  
We'll be orbiting round the moon [2X'S]  
We'll be orbiting Round the Moon, yes we will.

We'll be landing on the moon, yes we will....  
We'll be walking on the moon, yes we will...  
We'll be blasting off again, yes we will...  
We'll be landing back on Earth, yes we will....

### Moon Ride

**Do you want to go up with me to the moon?**  
*Point to friend, self and then sky*  
**Let's get in our rocket ship and blast off soon!**  
*Pretend to climb in ship, swish hands quickly*  
**Faster and faster we reach the sky**  
*Jump and reach*  
**Isn't it fun to be able to fly?**  
**We're on the moon now, lets all take a look.**  
*Look around*  
**Now sit back down, and I'll read you a book**

### Five Pet Mice

Five pet mice in the cage did play  
running on their wheels in a happy way.  
Along came a child, one mouse to pet.  
Four little mice left scampering about.

Four little mice in the cage did play  
running on their wheels in a happy way.  
Along came a child, one mouse to pet.  
Three little mice left scampering about.

Three little mice in the cage did play  
running on their wheels in a happy way.  
Along came a child, one mouse to pet.  
Two little mice left scampering about.

Two little mice in the cage did play,  
running on their wheels in a happy way.  
Along came a child, one mouse to pet.  
One little mice left scampering about.

One little mouse in the cage did play,  
running on their wheels in a happy way.  
Along came a child, one mouse to pet.  
No little mice left scampering about.

### Aikendrum

*Tune: Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush*

There was a man lived in the moon, In the  
moon, in the moon.  
There was a man lived in the moon, and his  
name was Aikendrum.  
And he played upon a ladle, a ladle, a ladle.  
He played upon a ladle and his name was  
Aikendrum.  
And his hat was made of cream cheese...  
And his coat was made of roast beef...  
And his pants were made of haggis...  
There was a man lived in the moon...

### Little Gray Mousie

*Tune: Bear Went Over the Mountain*

I saw a little gray mousie,  
I saw a little gray mousie,  
I saw a little gray mousie,  
Come squeaking by my door.  
So I said to the little gray mousie,  
I said to the little gray mousie,  
I said to the little gray mousie,  
Come back and squeak some more.

Squeak! Squeak! Squeak!



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