



Every Your Child Ready to Read

"Rhyme" 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>Nonsense!</u> By Sally Kahler Phillips	<u>Moose Tracks!</u> By Karma Wilson
<u>Mama Love</u> by Kathy Mallat	<u>Know What I Saw?</u> By Aileen Fisher
- Check out a book to read at home and then talk about what happens first, next and last in the story.

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

- Children who enjoy books will want to learn to read, help your child pick a book she/he wants to take home.
- Let your child see you reading for your enjoyment.

3. Vocabulary: Knowing the name of things.

- Ask your child to think of rhyming words with you.

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

- Read a poetry book with your child and point to the words that rhyme.
- 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 “R”: You can draw it with a crayon, shape it out of play dough, line up raisins on their lunch plate.

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

- Say the rhymes from toddler time at home. Rhymes help children hear the sounds that make up words, a skill that helps children sound out words as they begin to read.
- Sing the songs from toddler time, in most songs each syllable in a word gets a different note.

My Mom Loves Me

Tune: Jesus Loves Me

My mom loves me this I
know,
For my mommy tells me so.
I will always love her too,
Thank you mom for being
you.
Yes, my mom loves me.

In My Pocket

The things in my pocket
are lots of fun,
I will show you one by one.
In my first pocket is a frog,
I found him sitting on a log.
In my second pocket is a car,
It can race off very far.
In my third pocket is a ball.
I can bounce it on a wall.
In my fift pocket is a dog,
He’s a friend of my little frog.
In my pockets my things hide,
Do you have pockets with things
inside?

Acrobat

One little acrobat swinging through the air.
[Hold index finger up and swing side to side]
He flips and he flops as up we stare.
[Make index finger bend up and down.]
*Then suddenly he's caught by
another with flare!*
[Lock both index fingers together.]
One little acrobat swinging through the air.
[Hold index finger up and swing side to side]
He lands and bows with the greatest of care!
[With left palm facing up, place right
hand with index finger up on left palm
and bend it as to bow.]

Funny Bunny Hop

Funny little bunny goes hop, hop, hop!
Funny little bunny
please stop, stop, stop!
Wiggle your ears and crinkle your nose.
Then wiggle, wiggle, wiggle
right down to your toes.



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