

February 2025



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Early Literacy (Read, Write, Sing, Play, and Talk)
activities you can do at home, school, or the library. For more ideas, visit
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>2 Word of the week is: Vocal</p> <p>Vocal is another way to say voice. We talk with our vocal cords.</p>	<p>3 READ</p> <p>What does little crocodile say? by Eva Montanari</p>	<p>4 WRITE</p> <p>Listen to music then write or draw how it makes you feel.</p>	<p>5 SING</p> <p>“Down on Grandpa’s farm” and add more animals and sounds.</p>	<p>6 PLAY</p> <p>Get some empty plastic jars and put loose parts in them. Shake them to make a sound.</p>	<p>7 TALK</p> <p>Read Chicken Talk by Carole Schaefer and talk about the different sounds animals make around the world.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Bring it all together and take a listening walk. Be very quiet and see what sounds you can hear.</p>
<p>9 Word of the week is: Collaboration</p> <p>Collaboration means working together.</p>	<p>10 READ</p> <p>One fox by Kate Read</p>	<p>11 WRITE</p> <p>or draw a story with a friend.</p>	<p>12 SING</p> <p>a counting song.</p>	<p>13 PLAY</p> <p>hide and seek with a group.</p>	<p>14 TALK</p> <p>about when you need help. What kind of help can you give others?</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Bring it all together and help a friend or family member.</p>
<p>16 Word of the week is: Forbidden</p> <p>Something that is forbidden is against the rules.</p>	<p>17 READ</p> <p>Off-limits by Helen Yoon</p>	<p>18 WRITE</p> <p>Create an art project with office supplies or recycled materials.</p>	<p>19 SING</p> <p>along with “Mama don’t allow” by Fox & Branch</p>	<p>20 PLAY</p> <p>Mother May I?</p>	<p>21 TALK</p> <p>about rules. Have you ever broken a rule? What happened? Why do we have rules?</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Ask for permission to do something unusual like stay up late, play in a weird place, or sleep outside of your bedroom.</p>
<p>23 Word of the week is: Speckled</p> <p>Speckled is a fancy way to say spotted.</p>	<p>24 READ</p> <p>Lots of spots by Lois Ehlert</p>	<p>25 WRITE</p> <p>Use q-tips to make your own patterns with washable paint.</p>	<p>26 SING</p> <p>along with music by the Polkadots.</p>	<p>27 PLAY</p> <p>a jumping game. Put polka dot carpet circles or paper circles on the floor and jump from one to another.</p>	<p>28 TALK</p> <p>about the dots you see around you. What different colors and patterns of dots do you see?</p>	<p>March 1</p> <p>Bring it all together and have a dot party. Make pancakes and decorate paper plates.</p>

February can be cold and dreary but don’t let that get you down! Bundle up and explore the sights and sounds of winter outside, get together with friends at the library, and cozy up to read together. Exploring outside can help build vocabulary, coordination, motor skills, and critical thinking, so spend time playing outdoors even in the winter!