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DAILY LITERACY FUN FOR YOU AND YOUR LITTLE ONE!

1 TALK

On New Year's Day, have your child tell you about something they want to do in the coming year.

2 READ

Open up a book and ask your child how many words they can pick out on the page.

3 SCIENCE

Find a few different foods that taste different, such as salty, sweet, and sour. Ask your child which they like best!

4 WRITE

Write the word "winter" on a sheet of white paper. Then have your child trace each letter several times with different colors.

5 SING

Sing "Do Your Ears Hang Low?" and march along as you sing!

6 PLAY

Play a game in which you each pretend to be a different animal. Ask your child if your animal lives in warm or cold weather.

7 COUNT

Bundle up and go for a walk, counting the number of birds you see!

8 WRITE

Have your child draw a picture of their favorite memory from last year.

9 SCIENCE

Check out a nonfiction book about your child's favorite animal. When finished, ask your child if they learned something new!

10 SING

Make up a new song about a snowflake and sing it to the tune of "I'm a Little Teapot."

11 COUNT

At breakfast time, have your child count the number of eggs in the carton!

12 READ

After you finish a book, ask your child what they think the main character is doing now. Have them make up a new story for them!

13 SING

Sing some of your child's favorite songs in silly voices! Try singing like a robot, a pirate, or in an operatic voice!

14 TALK

Take turns telling a story about a melting snowman.

15 PLAY

Find some colorful socks and hold a puppet show!

16 COUNT

Make a simple recipe together and let your child help measure the ingredients.

17 WRITE

Help your child make a bookmark! Write the word "READ" on it and let them decorate it however they like.

18 READ

Pick out a book about snow! After reading, ask your child what they liked about the book.

19 SING

Beat the winter blues by turning on some of your child's favorite songs and sing along!

20 SCIENCE

Mix 2 tsp. baking soda with 1 cup water in a tall glass. Add several 1-inch pieces of spaghetti and 5 tsp. of vinegar. Watch what happens!

21 PLAY

Take turns playing Simon Says!

22 TALK

Have your child tell you a funny story.

23 SING

Have your child make up a song about what they did yesterday.

24 TALK

Take turns telling stories about what animals do in the winter. Where do they live? What do they eat? Be creative!

25 WRITE

Have your child practice writing their name with a Q-tip dipped in paint!

26 COUNT

Write the numbers 1-10 on separate pieces of paper. Have your child place the corresponding number of stickers on each page.

27 TALK

Have your child recap what they did yesterday! What was something they liked doing? How about didn't like?

28 READ

Cuddle up with your child and read their favorite book together!

29 SCIENCE

Warm up with some homemade hot cocoa! Mix 1 1/2 tsp. of unsweetened cocoa powder and 1 tsp. of powdered sugar into milk. Heat up and enjoy!

30 PLAY

It's opposite day! Wear pajamas during the day, have breakfast for dinner, and say "goodbye" when you enter a room!

31 COUNT

Use a leftover snack to practice simple addition and subtraction!

HELP YOUR CHILD GET READY TO LEARN TO READ!

Each day features a fun activity that will help your child build pre-reading skills. The skills are all color coded and meant to help your child grow as a reader!

