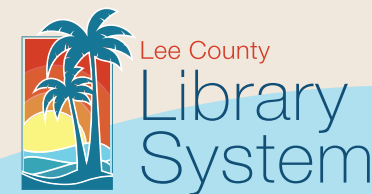










JANUARY 2025

Daily literacy-building activities to share with your child.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 WRITING With your child, write a list of things you plan to do in 2025. 	2 PLAYING Make an indoor fort with sheets and furniture. Cuddle together and read favorite books.	3 TALKING Talk about the weather today and what you should wear outside.	4 SINGING Change the way you sing a familiar song. Sing it faster or slower. Change up the words.
5 COUNTING Weigh your child and write it here _____.	6 READING Look at the cover of a book before reading it. Point out the book's title and say "The name of this book is..."	7 WRITING Wrap and unwrap blocks with tin foil. This helps strengthen writing muscles and manual dexterity.	8 PLAYING Pretend to be an animal that likes cold weather. Who will you be?	9 TALKING Talk about your feelings. What made you happy today?	10 SINGING Sing "The Frost Song." (Words are on the back.) 	11 COUNTING Count to 5 as you spin in a circle five times. Count 5 hops. Count five small steps. Count five big steps.
12 READING Read a fiction and nonfiction book about winter. Your library has many to choose from! 	13 WRITING Draw a circle, square, triangle, and rectangle, and have your child color them in. Talk about shapes and point them out today.	14 PLAYING Trace a variety of different objects on a piece of paper. Match the objects to their shapes.	15 TALKING At mealtimes, talk about the food you are preparing, what tools you are using, how you are making it, and how it will taste.	16 SINGING Recite "Three Little Kittens." (Words are on the back.)	17 COUNTING Measure your child's height and mark it here _____.	18 READING Be a reading role model. Let your child see you reading a book, magazine, or newspaper.
19 WRITING Have each family member write one thing they liked about this week. Have your child decorate the paper.	20 PLAYING Use play dough or cloud dough to make a snowman.	21 TALKING Talk about the seasons: Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall.	22 SINGING Sing "Cold and Snowy Morning." (Words are on the back.)	23 COUNTING How many things can you name that are white like snow? 	24 READING Write letters on strips of paper, add them to a container and have your child pick one. Spend the day finding the letter.	25 WRITING Pick one color and only use that to cover a whole page with scribbles and pictures.
26 PLAYING Go for a short walk after dark. What do you see? What does it feel like outside?	27 TALKING Talk about favorite things that happened in 2024. 	28 SINGING Sing nonsense words to a familiar tune. Sha la la. Doo bee doo bee do bee do wop bop, etc.	29 COUNTING Work together to put a stack of children's books in order from largest to smallest.	30 READING Snuggle together and read a book of nursery rhymes. The library can help you find one.	31 WRITING Make a card to send to someone special. Who will you send it to? Use a stamp and send the letter in a mailbox.	

Your library helps children get ready to read.

- The library has many materials and ideas you can use to talk, sing, read, write, play, and count with your child. It doesn't matter if your child is four days old or four years old, we have books, music, programs, and services to help your child develop language and prereading skills.
- We have books to read together, music to borrow, places where you can write, places to play and learn, and programs for all ages.

THE THREE LITTLE KITTENS

The three little kittens, they lost their mittens,
And they began to cry,
"Oh, mother dear, we sadly fear,
That we have lost our mittens."
"You lost your mittens?
Your poor little kittens.
Well, let us have some pie.
Meow, Meow, Meow
Let us have some pie."

THE FROST SONG

*Sing to the tune of
"The Farmer in the Dell"*

The frost is in the air.
The frost is in the air.
It's wintertime, it's wintertime,
The frost is in the air.

The frost tells me it's cold.
The frost tells me it's cold.
It's wintertime, it's wintertime,
The frost tells me it's cold.

COLD AND SNOWY MORNING

Sing to the tune of "Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush"

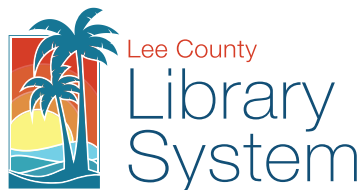
This is the way we put on our mittens
Put on our mittens
Put on our mittens
This is the way we put on our mittens
On a cold and snowy morning

This the way we put on our coats
Put on our coats
Put on our coats
This is the way we put on our coats
On a cold and snowy morning

This is way we put on our hats
Put on our hats
Put on our hats
This is the way we put on our hats
On a cold and snowy morning

This is the way we shovel the snow
Shovel the snow
Shovel the snow
This the way we shovel the snow
On a cold and snowy morning

This is the way we build a snowman
Build a snowman
Build a snowman
This is the way we build a snowman
On a cold and snowy morning.



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Books to Read this Month

The following titles and more are available through the Lee County Library System. Place a hold online and find additional ebook selections through Hoopla and Overdrive at www.leelibrary.net

For Readers Birth to Pre-K

The Snow Thief

by Alice Hemming

No Two Alike

by Keith Baker

Winter Is Here

by Kevin Henkes

A Polar Bear In The Snow

by Mac Barnett



1,000 Books Before Kindergarten



Ask our librarians about 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten, a fun and free program to encourage the love of reading!