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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Read Read <i>The Usborne Illustrated Alphabet</i> by Felicity Brooks.	2 Talk How many words can you think of that rhyme with "bat"?	3 Sing Singing slows down language and helps your child hear smaller sounds in words.	4 Write Draw a picture of an animal. What sound does it make?	5 Play Collect items that start with the first letter of your child's name.	6 Read Story Saturday! Read <i>Round and Round the Garden</i> by Matt Shanks.
7 STEM STEM Sunday! Magnets might be in purses, fridge doors, knife racks – how do magnets help you?	8 Read Read <i>Early One Morning</i> by Mem Fox. Make the sounds of the animals and vehicles in the story.	9 Talk Clap the syllables in the names of your child, and then the names of your family members.	10 Sing Sing-along Wednesday! Share the rhyme "This Little Piggy" with your child.	11 Write Trace letters on your child's back. Start with O and X, and the letter that starts their name.	12 Play Play "Simon Says" together. Simon says "Clap your hands!"	13 Read Story Saturday! Read <i>What's in the Truck?</i> by Philip Ardagh.
14 STEM Talk about a tool you and your child are using today. How does the tool help you?	15 Read Read a rhyming story like <i>Ten Little Dogs</i> by Ruth Brown.	16 Talk How many words can you think of that rhyme with "car"?	17 Sing Sing-along Wednesday! Sing "I Have a Dog and His Name is Rags".	18 Write Make hats out of paper. Hats can be a great prop in pretend play.	19 Play Play I Spy! I spy with my little eye something that rhymes with "play".	20 Read Story Saturday! Read <i>Rose Meets Mr Wintergarten</i> by Bob Graham.
21 STEM Read <i>New Shoes, Red Shoes</i> by Susan Rollings. Do you have shoes for different purposes?	22 Read Read a singable book like <i>One-osaurus, Two-osaurus</i> by Kim Norman.	23 Talk L is for Library. What other words can you think of that start with L?	24 Sing Sing-along Wednesday! Sing "I Went to Visit a Jungle One Day". What animals did you see?	25 Write Write your child's name and point out the sound of the first letter.	26 Play Keep board books where your baby can play with them.	27 Read Story Saturday! Read <i>Scary Night</i> by Lesley Gibbes.
28 STEM STEM Sunday! Read <i>Let's Build a House</i> by Mike Parsons. What materials were used to build your house?	29 Read Read <i>Where's My Teddy?</i> by Jez Alborough. Point out all the words that rhyme with "teddy" in the book.	30 Talk Turn off the TV, put away your phone and talk with your child! Go for a walk and talk about what you see and hear.	Like and follow Better Beginnings on Facebook and Instagram for more ideas based on the activities suggested in this calendar.		<i>Books, rhymes, and songs mentioned here are suggestions only. Substitute any titles you can't find or songs you don't know with books, rhymes, and songs that you already love.</i>	