




# JUNE 2022



## Better Beginnings Home Literacy Calendar

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Like and follow <b>Better Beginnings</b> on Facebook and Instagram for more ideas based on the activities suggested in this calendar.  Instagram: @betterbeginnings_slwa			<b>1 Sing</b> Tell the story of Incy Wincy spider by singing his song!	<b>2 Write</b> Make a picture of fluffy clouds in the sky by collaging with cotton wool.	<b>3 Play</b> Play post offices! "Write" letters to toys, then pretend to post, deliver, and read them.	<b>4 Read</b> Story Saturday! Read <i>Stellarphant</i> by James Foley.
<b>5 STEM</b> Draw or paint a picture. Talk about what tools you are using e.g., paint brush, pencil, table.	<b>6 Read</b> Read <i>My Words</i> by Grant Snider. What were your child's first words?	<b>7 Talk</b> Ask your child if they can think of any words that rhyme with rain. It's ok if their answers are not real words!	<b>8 Sing</b> Sing and dance the "Hokey Pokey"!	<b>9 Write</b> Playing with eye droppers or squeeze bottles can help get little hands get strong, ready for writing.	<b>10 Play</b> Play in the bath with colanders or empty saltshakers to make rain drops.	<b>11 Read</b> Story Saturday! Read <i>Lion Is That You?</i> by Moira Court.
<b>12 STEM</b> When you walk up or down any stairs, count the stairs with your child.	<b>13 Read</b> Read <i>How Much Does in the Grey in an Elephant Weigh?</i> By MaryChris Bradley.	<b>14 Talk</b> Introduce a new book by looking at and talking about the pictures on the cover.	<b>15 Sing</b> Sing "Three Little Speckled Frogs".	<b>16 Write</b> Make the colour green with blue and yellow paint.	<b>17 Play</b> Go on a sound hunt – in your house, or backyard, or in your neighbourhood.	<b>18 Read</b> Read <i>Winston and the Indoor Cat</i> by Leila Rudge.
<b>19 STEM</b> Talk about having a whole apple, a half of an apple and a quarter of an apple – or your child's favourite fruit!	<b>20 Read</b> Read <i>What's That Truck?</i> by Steve James. This board book has split pages and allows more than 70 combos of vehicles!	<b>21 Talk</b> Talk about all the colours in the rainbow today. Which colour is your child's favourite? Which one is yours?	<b>22 Sing</b> Sing "Row, Row, Row Your Boat". If you see a crocodile, don't forget to scream!	<b>23 Write</b> Encourage your child to crumple up scrap paper or newspaper into the smallest balls they can.	<b>24 Play</b> Play with shape sorters. Talk about each shape: the number of sides, describe the colours.	<b>25 Read</b> Read <i>From Head to Toe</i> by Eric Carle. Today would have been his 93 <sup>rd</sup> birthday.
<b>26 STEM</b> Read <i>Pitter Pattern</i> by Joyce Hesselberth. How many patterns can you find today?	<b>27 Read</b> Read <i>This Is a Dog</i> by Ross Collins.	<b>28 Talk</b> Talk about the books you have read together this month. Which ones are your favourites?	<b>29 Sing</b> Sing "1,2,3,4,5, Once I Caught a Fish Alive".	<b>23 Write</b> Give your child lots of opportunities to practice cutting with scissors. Start with cutting straight lines.	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.	