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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Cut a magazine ad into large pieces. Help your child put it back together.	2 Have watermelon as a snack. Ask your child questions about the watermelon. What shape is it? What color is it?	3 Talk about the letter O. Cut a giant letter O from a sheet of paper. Let your child decorate it.	4 Organize your child's books together. Can you put them in order from smallest to biggest?	5 Can you see any animals outside? Talk about where each animal might live.	6 Practice printing the alphabet. Sing the alphabet song together.	7 Read <i>When I Was Little Like You</i> by Jill Paton Walsh with your child. Show him your baby photo.
8 Print the word dog. Encourage your child to draw a dog. Now do the same with other animals.	9 Play a game of Hide and Seek.	10 Can you find something in your refrigerator that is square? Make a square snack.	11 Create a place to store crayons, markers, etc. Cover an old shoebox with white paper. Help your child decorate it.	12 Make a short sentence. Encourage your child to repeat it back to you.	13 Help your child learn your phone number.	14 Place sheets of colored paper on the floor. Make up activities: hop on the blue sheet, jump over the green sheet, etc.
15 Draw different sized circles on a piece of paper. Ask your child which is bigger. Which is smaller?	16 Make up silly words by changing the first sound: milk, tilk, bilk.	17 Give your child some play dough. Help her make different shapes.	18 Talk to your child about school. What is he excited about?	19 Let your child turn the pages as you read together.	20 Read to your child for 10 minutes today.	21 Put on some music and dance together. Make up silly dance moves.
22 Learn a new nursery rhyme together at www.rif.org/kids/leadingto/reading/ .	23 Count from one to five together. Help your child print the numbers.	24 Help your child collect the clothes that are too small. Take them to a donation center together.	25 Play outside today. Using a tree, create different ways for your child to get to the tree; hop, crawl, tiptoe.	26 Play Red Light, Green Light with your child.	27 Have a shape scavenger hunt. Encourage your child to find objects that are shaped like rectangles, triangles, circles, etc.	28 Talk about the letter P. Read a book about <i>Paddington Bear</i> .
29 Wad up sheets of paper into balls. Have an end of summer snowball fight!	30 How many red objects can you find in the kitchen?	31 Cut different shapes out of paper. Have your child sort the shapes into matching piles.				