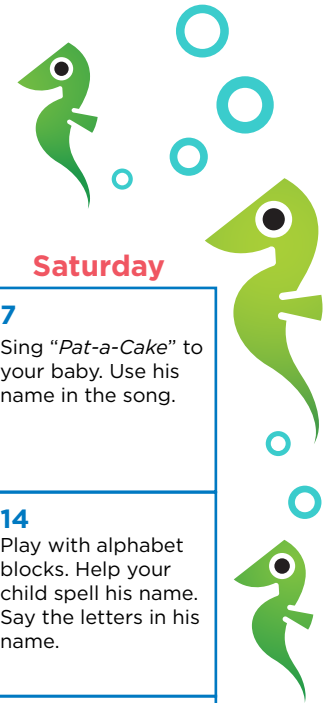




# January 2012

## Reading Activity Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>1</b> Today is January 1, New Year's Day. Have your child write the number 1 and decorate it.</p>	<p><b>2</b> Put cornmeal in a pan to make an indoor sandbox. Trace the letter A in the "sand" with your fingers.</p>	<p><b>3</b> Read a book with your little one. Mention that each sentence begins with an uppercase letter. Can you find an A?</p>	<p><b>4</b> Point out different cars. Ask your child what color each one is.</p>	<p><b>5</b> Make a small pile of shoes. Have your child find the matching pairs.</p>	<p><b>6</b> Tonight, instead of watching TV, read aloud or play games with your family.</p>	<p><b>7</b> Sing "Pat-a-Cake" to your baby. Use his name in the song.</p>
<p><b>8</b> Cut out different size circles. Have your child arrange them from smallest to biggest.</p>	<p><b>9</b> Have your little one wear her bathing suit in the tub and pretend she is at the pool. What would she see and feel?</p>	<p><b>10</b> Read Leslie Patricelli's "Quiet Loud" or another book with your little one.</p>	<p><b>11</b> Make up a song about the new year. Sing it with your family.</p>	<p><b>12</b> Look at different types of illustrations, such as collage or photographs, and talk about a favorite style with your child.</p>	<p><b>13</b> Enjoy a cup of hot chocolate with your child while you read together today.</p>	<p><b>14</b> Play with alphabet blocks. Help your child spell his name. Say the letters in his name.</p>
<p><b>15</b> Show your child a picture of a ball, a boy, and a bike to help him learn about the letter B.</p>	<p><b>16</b> Go for a nature walk and talk about winter.</p>	<p><b>17</b> Sing "The Wheels on the Bus" with your child.</p>	<p><b>18</b> Make homemade stamps by cutting up a sponge into simple shapes.</p>	<p><b>19</b> Make a family trip to the library. Choose a few books to read together.</p>	<p><b>20</b> Teach your child about feelings by showing them photos of people who look happy, sad, or mad.</p>	<p><b>21</b> Go outside tonight and stargaze. Ask your child to imagine what it's like on the moon.</p>
<p><b>22</b> Make binoculars by gluing two toilet paper tubes together. Ask your child what she "sees."</p>	<p><b>23</b> Read for 15 minutes today.</p>	<p><b>24</b> Dance to polka music today.</p>	<p><b>25</b> In a book or magazine, find objects or pictures that begin with the B sound.</p>	<p><b>26</b> Read Eileen Christelow's "Five Little Monkeys Bake a Birthday Cake" or another book with your little one.</p>	<p><b>27</b> At the grocery store, talk about the different colors and sizes of apples.</p>	<p><b>28</b> Make a writing center with pencils, paper, crayons, markers, and so on.</p>
<p><b>29</b> Trace your hand and your child's hand. Talk about the different sizes.</p>	<p><b>30</b> Read "One Was Johnny" by Maurice Sendak or another book with your little one.</p>	<p><b>31</b> Pretend you and your child are in a rocket ship. Talk about what supplies you should bring.</p>				