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May 2017 Reading Activity Calendar (ages 0-5)



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 1 May Day is a celebration of spring. Go outside and find at least 1 sign of spring. | 2 Learn about the letter I today by playing a game of I Spy with your child. | 3 Talk about the number 5. Let your child count five fingers on each hand and five toes on each foot. | 4 Teach your child the song "The Itsy Bitsy Spider." Be sure to do the hand motions. | 5 Cinco De Mayo Learn to count to five in Spanish today or another language - uno, dos, tres, cuatro, cinco! | 6 Take a trip to the library to pick out books to read in May. Make a reading tent with a sheet when you get home. |
| 7 Show your child a map of your state and point out the city where you live. Plan a trip to a nearby town. | 8 Use a flashlight to make shadow puppets. Which letters can be made with your fingers? | 9 Make it a day for I and ice cream! Talk with your child about other things that start with the letter I. | 10 Show your child a pentagon. Count the number of sides and corners. | 11 Look for objects that are purple today. Count how many you and your child find. | 12 Go on a nature walk and find five different leaves. | 13 Let your child mix red and blue food coloring with shaving cream to make scented paint. What color did it turn? |
| 14 Mother's Day Read the classic <i>ls</i> <i>Your Mama a</i> <i>Llama</i> ? by Deborah Guarino with your child today. | 15 Chocolate Chip Cookie Day Read <i>The Duckling</i> <i>Gets a Cookie</i> by Mo Willems. Let your child have a treat too! | 16 Today is Margret Rey's birthday. Read your favorite version of <i>Curious George</i> . He is always up to something. | 17 Look for the number 5 while grocery shopping today. | 18 Let your child use play dough to make letters and shapes today. | 19 Blow bubbles outside. Talk about the different sizes of the bubbles. | 20 Learn about the letter J today by jumping, jogging, juggling and jiggling with your child. |
| 21 Help your child think of words that rhyme with "jot." | 22 Take a walk and talk about the different colors of the flowers you see. | 23 Listen to jazz music with your child. Move to the rhythm of the sounds. | 24 Have some jelly or jam on toast today. Have your child find the letter J on the label. | 25 Use chalk to draw large shapes outside. Have your child jump, inside and outside of each shape. | 26 Teach your child the nursery rhyme "Jack and Jill." Explain what "fetch" means. | 27 Enjoy the outdoors! Time to turn off the TV and digital devices. Spend some time playing as a family. |
| 28 Have your child help put silverware away by sorting the forks, spoons and butter knives. | 29 Read with your child in a quiet place for 15 minutes. | 30 Have your child write the numbers 0-5 with the color purple. | 31 Find a shady spot to read for 15 minutes with your child today. | | | |
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