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# April 2015

## EARLY LITERACY CALENDAR

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			<b>1 Play</b> I Spy nature's treasure - look for flowers, butterflies, etc.	<b>2 Sing</b> <u>"And the Green Grass Grew All Around"</u>	<b>3 Read</b> <u>Snow Rabbit, Spring Rabbit</u> by Il Sung Na	<b>4 Talk</b> About the branches, leaves, and texture of a tree.
<b>5 Write</b> Draw a picture of a tree in spring.	<b>6 Play</b> Roll, bounce, and throw a ball with your child	<b>7 Sing</b> <u>"Five Little Ducks"</u>	<b>8 Read</b> <u>The Carrot Seed</u> by Ruth Krauss	<b>9 Talk</b> About the shape, texture, and taste of carrots.	<b>10 Write</b> Use your finger to trace the outside of fruits and vegetables.	<b>11 Play</b> Take a trip to the playground.
<b>12 Sing</b> <u>"Rain, Rain, Go Away"</u>	<b>13 Read</b> <u>Growing Vegetable Soup</u> by Lois Ehlert	<b>14 Talk</b> Listen to an audiobook for children.	<b>15 Write</b> Design and plan a garden.	<b>16 Play</b> Hide and Seek outside.	<b>17 Sing</b> <u>"The Rainbow Connection"</u>	<b>18 Read</b> A few poems from <u>A Stick Is an Excellent Thing</u> by Marilyn Singer
<b>19 Talk</b> About games you play inside and games you play outside.	<b>20 Write</b> A silly poem with your child.	<b>21 Play</b> Use sticks to make a sculpture.	<b>22 Sing</b> <u>"Jack and Jill"</u>	<b>23 Read</b> <u>Over in the Meadow</u> by Ezra Jack Keats	<b>24 Talk</b> About rhyming and make up some funny rhymes.	<b>25 Write</b> Give your child sidewalk chalk and let them create.
<b>26 Play</b> Pretend you are an animal that lives in the meadow.	<b>27 Sing</b> <u>"Humpty Dumpty"</u>	<b>28 Read</b> <u>Neighborhood Mother Goose</u> by Nina Crews	<b>29 Talk</b> About your own childhood.	<b>30 Write</b> Practice making circles in a bowl of water.		



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