



### Early Literacy Extras:

Parents and caregivers are a child's first and best teachers. Here are some ideas and activities to try this week with your child. These five practices are designed to help your child develop literacy skills, engage your child, and enhance the bonds between you. Storytimes at the Adams County Library support Pennsylvania Early Learning Standards.

This week's theme was: **Machines**

**Read:** Watch Miss Emily read *Rosie Revere, Engineer* by Andrea Beaty on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

**Talk:** Think about these questions: What did Rosie and her classmates do when they "failed" at something? What does "perfect failure" mean? How can failing be a good thing? Have you ever failed? What did you do about it?

**Sing:** Rhymes to do at Home

**Play:** Using only newspaper and tape, help your child build the tallest structure you can that stands up on its own. First, brainstorm, or think about, what to build and how. Next, build it.

**Write:** Grab some recycling: boxes, cans, straw, etc. Make something!

### Rhymes to do at Home

#### I'm a Great Big Dump Truck

(tune: *I'm a Little Teapot*)

I'm a great big dump truck (*pretend you are big and plant your two feet firmly*)

Full of rocks

Here is my engine (*hold your arms out in front in a square shape*)

here is my box (*move your arms to behind you*)

When the crew is ready

Here me shout, (*mime pulling the cord for the air horn*)

"Pull the levers and dump me out!"  
Shhhhhhhh.

#### Build Your Machine

(tune: *Row, Row, Row Your Boat*)

Build, build, build your machine

Build it very strong

Make your plan

Write it down

Then, build it all day long