

Gettysburg Library Winter/Spring 2021 Storytime Handout



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: **Spring**

Read: Watch Miss Karin read *Spring Song* by Barbara Seuling on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Talk about the order of the seasons. Which season is over now that it's spring? And what season will come after this one? Ask your child if they know some ways to tell that it's spring.

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Go outside for a "signs of spring" scavenger hunt. See if you can find flowers blooming, birds, or puddles instead of snow drifts!

Write: Help your child to cut some flower blossom shapes out of different colored paper. Glue them to a blank paper and have your child draw stems with leaves. Then help your child to write the letters of their name in each blossom.

Rhymes to do at Home

Two Little Clouds

Two little clouds
One springtime day
Went sailing across the sky
They went so fast
They bumped their heads
And both began to cry
The big round sun
Came out and said,
"Oh never mind my dears
I'll send down all my sunbeams
To dry away your tears"

Oh Mr. Sun

Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun
Please shine down on me
Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun
Hiding behind that tree
These little children
Are asking you
To please come out
So they can play with you
Oh Mr. Sun, Sun, Mr. Golden Sun
Please shine down on me.