



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 is: **Fairytales**

Read: Watch Miss Crystal read on the Youth Services Facebook Page.

Talk: This summer's theme is Imagine Your Story. Use this opportunity to expand your child's imagination by telling your own story together. Help start the story and then let them imagine.

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Play the "Sleeping Song Game". "Sleeping, sleeping, all the children are sleeping. And when they woke up, they were all ---." Let your child fill in the blank and then act like whatever animal, character, creature, person, or thing they decided on.

Write: Make a crown. Have your child cut out the crown template on the next page. Let them decorate the pieces however they want. Glue or staple the pieces together so that they fit your child's head.

Rhymes to do at Home

These Are My Glasses

These are my glasses, (put on "glasses")
This is my book.
I put on my glasses
And open up my book. (Open up hands like a book)
Then I read read read
And I look look look.
I put down my glasses (take off "glasses")
And close up my book. (Close your hands)

Five Little Unicorns

I saw five little unicorns – creatures from folklore. I watched the **blue** one prance away and then there were four.

I saw four little unicorns resting by a tree
I watched the **orange** one prance away, and then there were three.

I saw three little unicorns, but as near to them I drew, the **green** one pranced away, and then there were two.

I saw two little unicorns – I watched them run and run. The **red** one pranced away, and then there was one.

I saw a lonely **purple** unicorn standing in the sun. When I blinked my eyes, it pranced away, and then there were none.

