



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: **Dinosaurs**

Read: Watch Miss Sherry read *We Love Dinosaurs* by Lucy Volpin on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Talk about how different dinosaurs are. There are all sorts of dinosaurs and they all look different, act different, and have all sorts of different names. Try saying a few dinosaur names.

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Round up a variety of pasta types, then use them to build dinosaur skeletons. Glue them to paper, or press them into clay to make your own fossils.

Write: We all know some dinosaurs were enormous. Measure out a dino footprint on a big piece of paper. Trace and cut out kid-sized footprints to see how many "feet" it takes to fill the dino footstep.

Rhymes to do at Home

Dinosaur

I'm a mean old Dinosaur
(Make a mean face)

Big and tall

(Gesture hands big and tall)

Here is my tail, here is my claw.

(Gesture hands behind your back for tail and make claw hands)

When I get all hungry

(rub your tummy)

I just growl

(have your child exaggerate the grrroooowwwlll)

Look out kids I'm on the prowl.

(Tickle)

Dino-Pokey

(Tune: Hokey-Pokey)

Put your claws in. Put your claws
out.

Put your claws in and scratch them
all about.

Do the dino-pokey and turn
yourself around.

That's what it's all about.

Put your teeth in... chomp them all
bout.

Put your feet in...stomp them all
about.

Put your tail in...wag it all about.