



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: **Winter Clothes**

Read: Watch Miss Jess read *Knitty Kitty* by David Elliott on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Talk about what we wear during the winter time. Why do we wear all these clothes? What is each item for?

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Allow children to sort mitten and gloves – practice matching shapes, colors, sizes and more!

Write: Trace your child's hands with the fingers together and the thumb separate to make mittens. Cut out and then cut a piece of string as long as their arms stretched out. String together and send a mitten hug to someone they miss.

Rhymes to do at Home

Hat, Jacket, Boots, and Pants

(Tune: Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes)

Hat, jacket, boots, and pants
Boots and pants
Hat, jacket, boots, and pants
Boots and pants
And a big long scarf and two mittens for
my hands
Hat, jacket, boots, and pants
Boots and pants

Point to where each item of clothing would go

Silly Hat

(Tune: This Old Man)

On my head, I wear my hat
It is such a silly hat
That my head will wiggle waggle to and
fro
Where else can my silly hat go?

(repeat with other body parts)