

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 is: **Stars**

Read: Watch Miss Crystal read *Twinkle, Twinkle Little Car* by Kate Dopirak on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Talk about where and when we see stars? Are they down on the ground or up in the air? Do we see them during the day or at night?

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Make a space sensory bin. Fill a bin with rice, beans, packing peanuts, etc. Put in some space toys, cotton balls, stars, laminated pictures of planets, balls, and any other things you want to add.

Write: Create your own constellations on the next page.

Rhymes to do at Home

Five Stars Counting Up

No little stars, next to the sun. One shoots by, and then there is one.
One little star, with nothing to do.
Another shoots by, and now there are two.

Two little stars, winking at me. Another shoots by, and now there are three.

Three little stars, blinking once more. Another shoots by, and now there are four.

Four little stars, wait for another to arrive. Another shoots by, and now there are five.

Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Twinkle, twinkle, little star, (open and close fingers with each word)

How I wonder what you are. (look up and

tap head with a finger)

Up above the world so high, (reach up to the sky)

Like a diamond in the sky. (make a diamond shape with your hands)

Twinkle, twinkle, little star (open and close fingers with each word)

How I wonder what you are. (look up and tap head with a finger)



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Create your own constellation with the stars below. If your child is younger, have them color or point to the stars. How many stars can you count?

