

Gettysburg Library

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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: **I Think I Can Read:** Watch Miss Karin read *The Pig in the Pond* by Martin Waddell and *Elephants Can't Jump* by Jeanne Willis on our Youth Services Facebook page.

Talk: Sometimes it seems like there are things that we just can't do. Talk about what we do in these situations. What do you do when things don't happen for you? What would have happened if Pig and Baby Elephant had given up?

Sing: Rhymes To Do At Home

Play: Get some chalk or tape and lay out a hopscotch game. Change it up by timing the hopscotch runs or labeling each square and the player has to name something from the category square their marker lands in.

Write: Help pig find his way to the pond on the next page. Remember, if you don't find it the first time, try again.

Rhymes To Do At Home

One Pig in the Bathtub

One pig in the bathtub (hold up one finger) Going for a swim (pretend to swim) Knock, knock (clap twice) Splash, splash (slap knees twice) Come on in! (motion with hands to come in) Count from 1-5 Five pigs in the bathtub Going for a swim Knock, knock Splash, splash They all fell in!

Brr Brr Went the Little Elephant

(tune: Mmm Ahh Went the Little Green Frog)

Brr, brr went the little elephant one day (put one arm in front of your face like an elephant trunk and raise it up and down) Brr, brr went the little elephant Brr, brr went the little elephant one day And they all went brr, brr, brr But! We know elephants go (clap) Jumpy jumpy jump! (jump up and down) Jumpy, jumpy, jump. Jumpy, jumpy, jump. We know elephants go Jumpy, jumpy, jump. They don't go brr, brr, brr.



