



### 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: **Imagination**

**Read:** Watch Miss Theresa read *Otter in Space* by Sam Garton and *Max Speed* by Stephen Shaskan on our Youth Services Facebook page.

**Talk:** Talk about things your imagination can do. How did it get Otter to the Moon? How does it help Max overcome every obstacle?

**Sing:** Rhymes To Do At Home

**Play:** Come up with an idea. It could be going to the moon, hiking through a jungle, climbing a mountain, anything! Let your child come up with the storyline. What obstacles do you encounter? How do you overcome them?

**Write:** Gather your supplies like Otter and build something. Don't give any instructions, let the imagination guide your child. Let them build whatever they want to.

### Rhymes To Do At Home

#### Can You Pretend?

Let's hear you roar like a lion!  
Let's see you jump like a frog!  
Let's see you snap your jaws like a crocodile!  
Let's hear you howl like a dog!  
Pretend you're an elephant with a big,  
loooooong, trunk.  
Pretend you're a monkey.  
Let's see you jump, jump, jump!  
And now you're a mouse.  
Just let me see  
How very, very quiet you can be.

#### Can You Move With Me?

*(tune: Do Your Ears Hang Low?)*

Can you wiggle like a worm,  
Can you squiggle, can you squirm?  
Can you flutter, can you fly,  
Like a gentle butterfly?  
Can you crawl upon the ground  
Like a beetle that is round?  
Can you move with me?

Can you flip? Can you flop?  
Can you give a little hop?  
Can you slither like a snake?  
Can you give a little shake?  
Can you dance like a bee  
who is buzzing in a tree?  
Can you move with me?