

Gettysburg Library

Summer 2020

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: World

Read: Watch Miss Jess read *What A Wonderful World* based on song written by Bob Thiele and George David Weiss and sung by Louis Armstrong, illustrated by Tim Hopgood on our Youth Services Facebook page.

Talk: Talk about the different things you see around you. What things grow? What colors are there? What people do you see? Talk also about how you can make the world even better.

Sing: Rhymes To Do At Home

Play: Go on a scavenger hunt for all the things mentioned in the song. If they are too young, point out the things from the song on a walk.

Write: Write a list of things you are thankful for in the world. What things do you see in the world that make it wonderful?

Rhymes To Do At Home

Green Grass Grew All Around

There once was a tree (There once was a tree) A pretty little tree (A pretty little tree) The prettiest little tree (The prettiest little tree) That you ever did see (That you ever did see)

Oh, the tree in a hole And the hole in the ground And the green grass grew all around, all around And the green grass grew all around

Now on this tree, there was a limb... Now on this limb, there was a branch... Now on this branch, there was a bough... Now on this bough, there was a twig... Now on this twig, there was a leaf... Now on this leaf, there was a leaf... Now on this nest, there was a bird... Now on this bird, there was a feather... Now on this feather, there was a flea...

Oh, the flea on the feather, And the feather on the bird, And the bird in the nest, And the nest on the leaf, And the nest on the leaf, And the leaf on the twig, And the twig on the bough, And the bough on the branch, And the branch on the limb, And the branch on the limb, And the limb on the tree, and the tree in a hole And the hole in the ground And the green grass grew all around, all around And the green grass grew all around