

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. Story times at the Adams County Library support Pennsylvania Early Learning Standards.

This week's theme was: **Being Yourself**

Read: Watch Miss Sherry read *Three Hens and a Peacock* by Lester Laminack on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Talk to your child about how sometimes we find ourselves getting envious of others or comparing ourselves to others when we really should be thinking about how great it is to be ourselves!

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Play that you are superheroes! With your child think of something that makes you each special. You can pretend that those differences are your superpower. Don't forget to wear a cape!

Write: Write an acrostic poem. Have your child write their name in big letters vertically down a piece of blank paper. Then ask them to think of words to describe themselves using the letters of their name as the first letter in each line.

Rhymes to do at Home

What I Am

By Will.i.am

If what I am is what's in me
Then I'll stay strong - that's who I'll be
And I will always be the best
"Me" that I can be

There's only one me, I am it Have a dream I'll follow it It's up to me to try

Oh! I'm a keep my head up high (high!)

Keep on reaching high (high!)

Never gonna quit

I'll be getting stronger

And nothing's gonna bring me down (no!)

Never gonna stop, gotta go

Because I know

I'll keep getting stronger

I'm Glad I'm Me

No one looks the way I do
I've noticed that it's true
No one walks the way I walk
No one talks the way I talk
No one plays the way I play
No one says the things I say
I am special
I am ME!
There's no one else I'd rather be.