



### 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: **Cookies**

**Read:** Watch Miss Jess read *The Cow Loves Cookies* by Karma Wilson on our Youth Services Facebook page.

**Talk:** Talk about different taste and smells that food have. What smells good? What tastes bad? What do cookies smell and taste like? If you have an infant, let them experience a cookies through their senses of smell and touch while you talk about the cookie.

**Sing:** Rhymes To Do At Home

**Play:** Get out some baking bowls, spoons, and other baking materials. Let your child play with them. Talk to them about what each thing is used for. Letting them play and manipulate these items helps strengthen fine motor skills.

**Write:** Have your child give the cookie on the next page some colorful chocolate chips. If they are too young for this, play Pat-a-Cake.

### Rhymes To Do At Home

#### Mix a Cookie

Mix a Cookie. (*bounce*)

Stir a Cookie. (*bounce*)

Pop it in a pan! (*give a hug*)

Bake a Cookie.

Toss a Cookie. (*lightly toss your child*)

Catch it if you can!

#### Baking Rhyme

First we add the eggs and we crack them, we crack them.

Then we add the butter and we smash it, we smash it.

Then we add the flour and we shake it, we shake it.

Then we add the sugar and we pinch it, we pinch it.

Then we add the chips and we pour them, we pour them.

Then we take a spoon and we mix it, we mix it.

Then we take out a pan and we place them, we place them.

Then we put them in the oven and we bake them, we bake them.

Then we add the frosting and we spread it, we spread it.

Then we take a cookie and we eat it, we eat!

(When doing this rhyme, do the motions with your child. Pretend to crack the eggs and pinch the flour.)



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Can you color the chocolate chips the right color?

