



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: **Me**

Read: Watch Miss Emily read *Why Am I Me?* by Paige Britt on our Youth Services Facebook page.

Talk: Talk about what makes them "Me". What color is their hair? What is their favorite snack? What makes them similar to other children? If they are younger, play with them while naming body parts and different things about them.

Sing: Rhymes To Do At Home

Play: Get out your blocks and toys. Have your child build your community. Talk about the different people you see around. How are they similar or different from you? If they are younger, let them play with and manipulate the toys you get out.

Write: Have your child draw who they are on the next page. If they are too young for this, play Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes.

Rhymes To Do At Home

Dance Your Fingers Up

Dance Your Fingers up,
Dance your fingers down.
Dance your fingers to the side,
Dance them all around.
Dance them on your shoulders,
Dance them on your head.
Dance them on your tummy,
And put them all to bed.

I have Ten Little Fingers

I have ten little fingers (*wiggle fingers*)
and they all belong to me. (*point to your child*)

I can make them do things.
Would you like to see?

I can shut them up tight. (*close up fingers to make a fist*)

I can open them wide. (*open up the fingers*)

I can put them together. (*Put hands together*)

I can make them all hide. (*put hands behind their back*)

I can jump them up high. (*raise their hands up high*)

I can jump them down low.
I can fold them up quietly
and hold them just so. (*put hands on their lap*)



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