



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: **Body Parts**

Read: Watch Miss Jess read *We've All Got Bellybuttons* by David Martin on our Youth Services Facebook page.

Talk: Talk about the different body parts in Miss Jess' story. What does each one do? What do your ears do? What does your nose do?

Sing: Rhymes To Do At Home

Play: Body parts can do lots of fun things. See how fast you can run with your feet. See how tightly you can hug with your arms. See how quietly you can hear someone whisper.

Write: Trace your hand and your child's hand and cut both out. How different are they?

Rhymes To Do At Home

Here is the Beehive

Here is the beehive (*make a fist*)
but where are the bees? (*hold out hands*
in a questioning stance)
Hidden away where nobody sees (*place*
one hand over the fist)
Watch and you'll see them come out of
the hive (*remove the covering hand*)
1, 2, 3, 4, 5... (*raise a finger with each*
new number)
They're alive! Buzzzzzzz (*tickle*)

Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes

Head, shoulders, knees, and toes
Knees and toes
Head, shoulders, knees, and toes
Knees and toes
Eyes, and Ears, and a mouth, and a nose
Head, shoulders, knees, and toes
Knees and toes