



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: **Seasons**

Read: Watch Miss Emily read *I Am a Bunny* by Ole Risom on our Youth Services Facebook page.

Talk: Talk about the different season. If they are older, see if your child can name all four. Talk about the different things that happen during the different seasons and how we have to dress differently.

Sing: Rhymes To Do At Home

Play: Have a four season week. Every day, pretend it's a different season. Drink hot chocolate and read winter stories for winter. Play in the garden for spring. Have a beach day for summer. Tell scary stories for fall.

Write: Have your child color the tree on the next page. They can draw any or all the seasons. If they are younger, take them out and let them play around a tree. Let them feel the bark and hear the sounds of the animals who live there.

Rhymes To Do At Home

Little Bunny

There was a little bunny who lived in the wood
(hold up two fingers)
He wiggled his ears as a good bunny should
(wiggle fingers on your head)
He hopped by a squirrel
He hopped by a tree *(hop, hop)*
He hopped by a duck
And he hopped by me *(hop, hop over fist)*
He stared at the squirrel
He stared at the tree *(stare, stare)*
He stared at the duck
But he made faces at me! *(stare, make silly faces)*

The Leaves on the Tree

(Tune: "The Wheels on the Bus")
The leaves on the tree fall to the ground!
To the ground, to the ground!
The leaves on the tree fall to the ground,
All autumn long!
(move your fingers down like falling leaves)
The leaves on the tree are hiding from us!
Hiding from us, hiding from us!
The leaves on the tree are hiding from us,
All winter long!
(play peek-a-boo like the hiding leaves)
The leaves on the tree are starting to grow
Starting to grow, starting to grow!
The leaves on the tree are starting to grow,
All spring long!
(open fingers like a leaf blooming)
The leaves on the tree are nice and bright!
Nice and bright, nice and bright!
The leaves on the tree are nice and bright,
All summer long!
(flash fingers)



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