



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: **Cows**

Read: Watch Miss Karin read *Find a Cow Now* by Janet Stevens and Susan Stevens Crummel and *Chilly Milly Moo* by Fiona Ross on our Youth Services Facebook page.

Talk: Cows give us something very important: Milk. Talk about how milk helps us stay healthy. What can you make with milk? For more information, check out BookFlix on <https://kids.powerlibrary.org/>

Sing: Rhymes To Do At Home

Play: Play a game of herd tag. One person is the herding dog (like dog in our story) and tries to tag the cows. Whoever is tagged is now the herding dog.

Write: Make ice-cream in a bag! Follow the instructions on the next page to make some delicious ice cream.

Rhymes To Do At Home

The Bell on the Cow

(tune: The Wheels on the Bus)

The bell on the cow goes clang, clang,
clang
Clang, clang, clang
Clang, clang, clang
The bell on the cow goes clang, clang,
clang
All around the farm.

The tail on the cow goes swish, swish,
swish...
The voice of the cow goes moo, moo,
moo...
The hooves of the cow go clop, clop,
clop...
The ears on the cow go flip, flip flop...

1 little 2 little 3 little cows

1 little 2 little 3 little cows
4 little 5 little 6 little cows
7 little 8 little 9 little cows
10 cows standing in the field.
10 little 9 little 8 little cows
7 little 6 little 5 little cows
4 little 3 little 2 little cows
1 cow laying in the barn
(hold up the correct number of fingers with the numbers in the song)



Make Ice-Cream in a Bag

INGREDIENTS

- 1 c. half-and-half
- 2 tbsp. granulated sugar
- 1/2 tsp. pure vanilla extract
- 3 c. ice
- 1/3 c. kosher salt
- Toppings of your choice

DIRECTIONS

1. In a small re-sealable plastic bag, combine half-and-half, sugar, and vanilla. Push out excess air and seal.
2. Into a large re-sealable plastic bag, combine ice and salt. Place small bag inside the bigger bag and shake vigorously, 7 to 10 minutes, until ice cream has hardened.
3. Remove from bag and enjoy with your favorite ice cream toppings.