



### 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: **Silly**

**Read:** Watch Miss Emily read *Creepy Carrots!* by Aaron Reynolds on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

**Talk:** Talk about how silly it is that the carrots are creepy in the book. Carrots bright in color and are sweet to eat, not usually something to be afraid of! What else can you think of that would be funny to imagine as creepy? Ice cream? Lollipops? Rainbows?

**Sing:** Rhymes to do at Home

**Play:** Have your child put on a puppet show with a stuffed rabbit or puppet. You could have them tell you back the story of the creepy carrots.

**Write:** Create a creepy character on paper. The first person draws a creepy head and folds the paper down so the others can't see. The second person draws a creepy middle and folds the paper over again. The last person draws some creepy feet. Then unfold the paper and laugh at your masterpiece.

### Rhymes to do at Home

#### Carrots

Carrots are my favorite  
(pretend to hold carrot)  
I eat one every day;  
I always take one with me,  
(put in pocket)  
When I go out to play.  
(wave goodbye)  
It gives me lots of energy  
(make muscle)  
To jump around and run,  
Carrots are my favorite -  
(rub tummy)  
To me they're so much fun!

#### John the Rabbit

Oh, John the Rabbit  
Got a mighty habit  
Jumpin' in my garden  
Cuttin' down my cabbage  
My sweet potatoes  
My fresh tomatoes  
And if I live  
To see next fall  
I'm not gonna have  
Any garden at all!