



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: **Diversity**

Read: Watch Miss Danielle read *Hair Love*, by Matthew A. Cherry and *Black is a Rainbow Color*, by Angela Joy on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Don't shy away from talking to your child about differences. Model respectful language about others who are different. Talk about what makes your child unique and what might be unique about someone else and emphasize that it's ok to look different, or act different.

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Have a dance party with music from some other cultures or countries.

Write: Trace your child's hand multiple times on one sheet of paper. Use different shades of brown and tan to color them all in. Talk about how people have lots of different skin colors.

Rhymes to do at Home

Different

By David George

Different colors, different faces,
Different countries, different names.
Different clothes and different customs,
But our hearts are the same.
We are all on different journeys,
All aboard our different trains.
Different towns and destinations,
The track is the same.

The More We Get Together

The more we get together,
together, together
The more we get together, the
happier we'll be
Because your friends are my
friends and my friends are your
friends
The more we get together, the
happier we'll be
The more we work together...
The more we play together...