



### 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: **Music**

**Read:** Watch Miss Cindie read *The Music Tree* by Julia Valtanen on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

**Talk:** Talk with your child about how Luke has to be patient in the book. Sometimes things that seem difficult at first can become really fun.

**Sing:** Rhymes to do at Home – sing them to your plants!

**Play:** Encourage your child to play some music for some growing things. You can plant a seed to sing or play music to, or you can make some music for house plants or plants that are growing outside. There is actually some science that says that plants like music!

**Write:** Draw an outline of what your child would imagine a music tree to look like. Then they can color it in or add leaves or blossoms.

### Rhymes to do at Home

#### Do-Re-Mi

(Do) Doe, a deer, a female deer  
(Re) Ray, a drop of golden sun  
(Mi) Me, a name I call myself  
(Fa) Far, a long, long way to run  
(So) Sew, a needle pulling thread  
(La) La, a note to follow Sew  
(Ti) Tea, a drink with jam and bread  
That will bring us back to Do (oh-oh-oh)

#### Oh What a Beautiful Morning

Oh what a beautiful morning,  
Oh what a beautiful day,  
I've got a wonderful feeling,  
Everything's going my way.

#### This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine  
I'm going to let it shine  
Oh, this little light of mine  
I'm going to let it shine

This little light of mine  
I'm going to let it shine  
Let it shine, all the time, let it shine