



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: **Body Parts**

Read: Watch Miss Cindie read *From Head to Toe* by Eric Carle on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Have your child identify the names of parts of their body like their ears, nose, mouth, hands, toes, etc. Learning these names is a great way to expand your child's vocabulary! If they are too young to name it themselves, help them out.

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Play Simon Says! This will help with learning to identify body parts and learning to listen to directions. If they are too young, do the movements in the rhymes to do at home.

Write: Have your child trace their hand or foot on the back of this page to strengthen their fine motor skills. If they are too young, help them trace it and let them "decorate" their hand or foot.

Rhymes to do at Home

Wake up Toes!

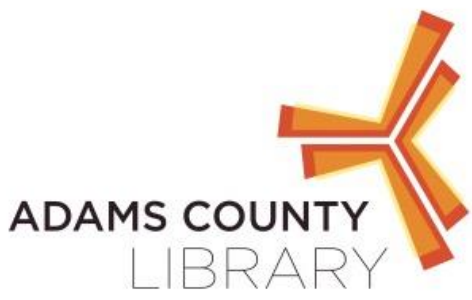
Wake up toes, wake up toes!
Wake up toes and wiggle, wiggle, wiggle!
Wake up toes, wake up toes!
Wake and a wiggle in the morning!

(Continue with feet, hands, me, etc.)

Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes

Head, shoulders, knees & toes, knees &
toes,
Head, shoulders, knees & toes, knees &
toes,
Eyes and ears, mouth & nose,
Head, shoulders, knees & toes, knees &
toes.

Have your child point to the appropriate body party during the song. If they are too young, help them point.



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