



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: **Belly Buttons**

Read: Watch Miss Sherry read *The Belly Button Book* by Sandra Boynton on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Talk about different parts of the body and their names. Point out these parts as you talk about them.

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Play a game of "Can you touch your....". Name different parts of the body for your child to identify.

Write: Belly Buttons are round. You're your child practice their circles on the next page by tracing the circles with either a crayon or their finger. Give them some help if they need it.

Rhymes to do at Home

THESE ARE BABY'S FINGERS

These are baby's fingers
(touch baby's fingers)
These are baby's toes
(touch baby's toes)
This is baby's belly button
(point to baby's belly button)
Round and round it goes
(draw circle around baby's belly button)
For toddlers/ older children, substitute the word "my" for "baby's."

Clap, Clap, Clap Your Hands

(Tune: Row, Row, Row Your Boat)

Clap, clap, clap your hands
Clap them now with me
Clap your hands, let me see
Clap your hands with me

Beep, beep, beep your nose
Touch, touch, touch your shoulders
Tap, tap, tap your knees
Shake, shake, shake your feet

