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# January 2018

Early Literacy  
Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1 Read</b> Happy New Year! Snuggle up with your child and read!	<b>2 Talk</b> Which do you like better? Corn or peas? Taste first!	<b>3 Write</b> A list of things to do today. Check them off as you go.	<b>4 Sing</b> "The Itsy Bitsy Spider"	<b>5 Play</b> Put on a puppet show using puppets or stuffed animals.	<b>6 Read</b> A book about ani- mals; make animal sounds together!
<b>7 Talk</b> What sound does the letter "S" make?	<b>8 Write</b> Your child's name for them to trace.	<b>9 Sing</b> Listen to some in- strumental music.	<b>10 Play</b> Hide and Seek	<b>11 Read</b> Visit the Library and check out a book!	<b>12 Talk</b> Choose a book, talk about the pictures.	<b>13 Write</b> Draw a snowman.
<b>14 Sing</b> Use household objects to make music, sing along!	<b>15 Play</b> Make patterns using blocks, Legos, or paper and crayons.	<b>16 Read</b> <u>Beep, Beep, Maisy!</u> By Lucy Cousins	<b>17 Talk</b> About words that start with the letter "M."	<b>18 Write</b> Draw some objects that are round. (a c lock, balloons, etc.)	<b>19 Sing</b> Have a dance party!	<b>20 Play</b> Hide and Seek
<b>21 Read</b> A book by Denise Fleming	<b>22 Talk</b> About things you can do in the snow, make snowballs, etc.	<b>23 Write</b> Draw a picture of your family on a winter day.	<b>24 Sing</b> The song "I'm a Little Snowflake" by Laurie Berkner	<b>25 Play</b> Use cotton balls to build a snowman on a piece of paper.	<b>26 Read</b> Run your fingers un- der the words in the book as you read.	<b>27 Talk</b> How many syllables are in your name? Count them out.
<b>28 Write</b> Make a simple map of your neighbor- hood.	<b>29 Sing</b> "If You're Happy and You Know It." Make up your own verses.	<b>30 Play</b> Red Light, Green Light	<b>31 Read</b> A book that rhymes. Point out the rhyming words.			

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Each day of the month features an early literacy practice along with an activity you can do to support that practice. This Early Literacy Calendar reminds parents and caregivers to read, talk, write, play, and sing with young children every day! For more information please contact Theresa Dykes at [tdykes@delcolibraries.org](mailto:tdykes@delcolibraries.org)

