

# Daily Fun with Your Little One!

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



**1 Science**  
Make slime! Mix ½ cup of glue, ½ cup of water, ¼ cup of liquid starch, and food coloring or glitter. Knead until desired consistency.

**2 Reading**  
Draw a vine with letters on its leaves. Then write letters on paper pumpkins and put each on the vine with its leaf.

**3 Songs**  
Create an obstacle course using toys and cushions. Make up a theme song to play or sing for your child as he races through.

**4 Sounds**  
Go for a walk outside and enjoy crunching the fallen leaves.

**5 Writing**  
Set up a whiteboard where your child can make a “Ta-da!” list, adding each thing that she does throughout the day after it’s done.

**6 Songs**  
Sing “I’m a Little Pumpkin” to the tune of “I’m a Little Teapot,” making up your own words.

**7 Reading**  
Together, read *Fletcher and the Falling Leaves* by Julia Rawlinson, illustrated by Tiphonie Beeke.

**8 Writing**  
It’s World Octopus Day! Help your little one make and color her own paper octopus.

**9 Play**  
Set up a pretend veterinary office at home and gather several stuffed animals who can visit as “patients.”

**10 Writing**  
It’s Cake Decorating Day. Have your child use frosting to add his initials or other shapes to a cake (or cupcake!).

**11 Science**  
See how many types of leaves you can find together and name their colors.

**12 Play**  
Go outside and jump rope or play hopscotch together.

**13 Reading**  
On Silly Sayings Day, write funny phrases on slips of paper and have your child pick one out of a bowl to read.

**14 Sounds**  
Ask your child to find objects around the house that have the same beginning sound as “candy.”

**15 Play**  
Pretend to trick-or-treat at different doors in your home.

**16 Science**  
Celebrate Fossil Day by making homemade fossils using salt dough. While shaping them, talk to your child about how real fossils are formed.

**17 Stories**  
Set up a “campfire” in the living room with pillows. Take turns telling each other spooky tales.

**18 Sounds**  
Say the ABCs like you’re a ghost (Aaah, Beee, Ceee, ...).

**19 Writing**  
On Sweetest Day, cut out paper hearts and make cards for each other.

**20 Play**  
During Pretzel Month, set up a pretend snack stand at home.

**21 Math**  
Show your child how to read the temperature on a thermometer. What is the temperature outside?

**22 Rhymes**  
Ask your child to come up with words that rhyme with “spring.”

**23 Stories**  
Tell your child a story about your favorite Halloween costumes when you were little.

**24 Reading**  
Read *The Golden Acorn* by Katy Hudson together.

**25 Math**  
It’s World Pasta Day! Mix a bowl of different types of pasta and help your child sort the shapes, then count how many pieces of each she has.

**26 Rhymes**  
Use your child’s Halloween costume as inspiration for a brand-new rhyming poem.

**27 Math**  
When preparing pumpkins to carve, have your child count how many scoops of seeds he pulls out.

**28 Writing**  
On International Animation Day, help your child create a simple flipbook animation.

**29 Sounds**  
It’s Cat Day! Did you know that cats can make over 100 different sounds? Find a video demo and echo the sounds yourselves.

**30 Science**  
Use leaves to make crayon rubbings. Describe the patterns you find!

**31 Stories**  
Visit the library to check out spooky picture books together.

Help your child get ready to learn to read!  
Each day features a fun activity that will help your child build pre-reading skills. Activities are color-coded by skill. Ask your children’s librarian for more ideas on how to promote early literacy skills with daily activities at home.

