



Get Ready to Read

with Medina County District Library

Following Directions

Listening and being able to follow simple instructions are important skills for a preschooler to master. Here are some simple games to help build this skill. Have fun changing who will be the leader.

- **Simon Says** – “Simon” gives a simple direction to be followed: “Simon says touch your head.” Gradually increase the number of directions to two, three, or four parts: “Simon says first pat your head, then touch your nose.” Anyone who moves without hearing “Simon Says” loses a turn.
- **Red Light, Green Light** – One person is the leader who calls out “Green Light” (take a step forward) or “Red Light” (stand still). Anyone who doesn’t stop during a “Red Light” is out or loses a turn. Gradually add additional instructions, like “Take a step forward and clap your hands”.
- **Follow the Leader** – The leader takes a walk around and everyone follows. Over time, include additional movements (hop, skip, roll, walk like a duck) and increase the number of directions (take two steps forward and then two steps to the right). To improve listening skills, try blindfolding the listener.

Books to Read

Cats in Construction Hats by Sudipta Bardhan-Quallen
Odder: An Otter’s Story by Katherine Applegate
Maisy Goes on a Bike Ride by Lucy Cousins

Kids Day

Medina Square - Sat., June 7, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, all ages
 Kick off Summer Reading with outside activities, lawn games, face painting, the Bookmobile, big trucks, and more!

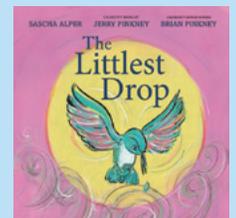
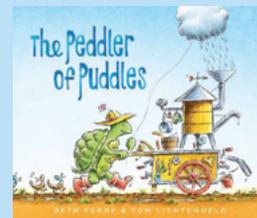
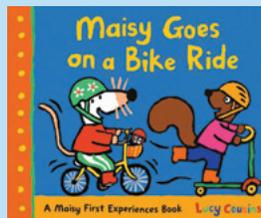
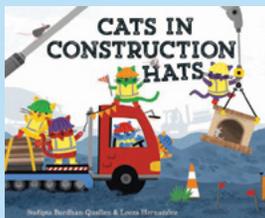
Song

Two Little Hands

(to the tune of Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star)

Two little hands go clap, clap, clap.
 Two little feet go tap, tap, tap.
 Two little hands go thump, thump, thump.
 Two little feet go jump, jump, jump.
 One little body turns around.
 One little child sits quietly down.

The Peddler of Puddles by Beth Ferry
Don’t Trust Fish by Neil Sharpson
The Littlest Drop by Sascha Alper





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Fun activities to promote literacy and learning

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 How many fruits can you name?	2 Sing a few seconds of a song, and see if your grown-up can name it.	3 Go outside and blow bubbles. How far can you count until they pop?	4 Find a new park or playground. Bring a friend!	5 Celebrate Summerfest with the Lodi library!	6 Celebrate National Doughnut Day! Help a grown up bake a sweet treat.	7 Visit the Bookmobile at Kids Day. (Details on other side.)
8 Jump 10 times while counting out loud.	9 Practice writing the letter J for June. What other words start with J?	10 Sing <i>Two Little Hands</i> (words on other side).	11 Play leap frog with stuffed animals. Why do we call it leap frog?	12 Go on a scavenger hunt outside. Listen for different sounds like birds chirping or dogs barking.	13 Make up a song about summer vacation. Sing it to the tune of <i>Jingle Bells</i> .	14 It's Flag Day! Draw a picture using red, white and blue crayons.
15 Scribble with a yellow crayon on a white circle to make a sun.	16 Make a list of things to do together this summer.	17 What shapes are the clouds in the sky?	18 Visit the library and ask the librarian for a nonfiction book.	19 Go outside and splash in a sprinkler.	20 It's National Flip-Flop Day! Can you count all the flip-flop sandals at your house?	21 Make some play dough and cut out shapes with cookie cutters.
22 Talk about the kinds of foods you like and do not like.	23 Find and count five purple things in your house.	24 Create your own storytime!	25 Read a book by Eric Carle to celebrate his birthday.	26 Practice making patterns with colored objects.	27 Pretend you are a car and play <i>Red Light, Green Light</i> .	28 Have fun taking silly selfies with a grown up!
29 Draw shapes on the sidewalk with chalk.	30 Go outside and smell all of the flowers you see.					

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For the current Bookmobile schedule, visit mcdl.info/Bookmobile