



# SUMMER ADVENTURE!

AGES  
0-4

TOMPKINS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
JUNE 25 - AUGUST 5, 2023

	SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
WEEK 1							
WEEK 2							
WEEK 3							
WEEK 4							
WEEK 5							
WEEK 6							

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Write your child's name, age and your contact information below.
2. Mark each day you read with you child and/or do one of the early literacy activities listed on the back of this sheet. Set a goal and do as many as you are able to.
3. Return your sheet to Tompkins County Public Library or email a copy to [askalibrarian@tcpl.org](mailto:askalibrarian@tcpl.org) by Saturday, 8/26. Participants who turn their sheets in will receive a FREE BOOK and a chance to win a gift card to a local business in our raffle!



CHILD'S NAME:

AGE:

YOUR NAME:

EMAIL:



# EARLY LITERACY ACTIVITIES



## ALL AGES

- Attend a library program.
- Talk about the pictures in the books you read.
- Mix up storytime with a book you can sing.
- Add books to every room of your house & your car.
- Memorize a short children's book & recite it to your child throughout the day.
- Make up stories and songs about anything and everything!
- Listen to an E-audiobook together with our OverDrive or Hoopla services at tcpl.org.
- Read! Kids who see grownups reading will want to learn to do it too!

## BABIES

- Narrate what you do as you go through your daily routines. This helps your baby connect words with objects & actions.
- Even if your baby isn't yet talking, you can still engage in conversation by listening to baby's sounds then responding.
- Babies enjoy books with photographs. Check out a book with photos of babies or try making your own book using family photos.
- Children can sign before they can speak. Check out books on signing or attend our Early Communication & Baby Signs program in July and August.

## TODDLERS

- Run your finger under the words as you read them & point out the title & author of each book.
- Prepare your kids for what is coming next in the day by talking about it. This also helps them understand how to tell a story.
- When reading, periodically pause & let your child fill in the next word. Or encourage them to tell you the story!
- Encourage play that involves naming, describing, & communicating.

## PRESCHOOLERS

- Ask your child to explain what happens in their favorite book & why it is a favorite.
- Help your child identify familiar letters. Show them that these letters spell important words, like their own name.
- When out & about, ask your child to look out for a specific word on signs. Anytime they point it out, celebrate!
- Read a book together & then encourage your child to draw a picture about the story.



## PLEASE TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO FILL OUT THIS BRIEF SURVEY ON THE 2023 SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM:

- As a result of participating in this program, did you check out a book, attend a program, or learn a new early literacy activity?
- What did you like most about the program?
- What could we do to improve the program?
- Share any ideas you have for summer programs for kids ages 0-4:



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