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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<p>1</p> <p>Knowing letter names & letter sounds makes learning to read easier & more fun. ABC books from your library = HUGE help. SELECT a few today!</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Learning letters & letter sounds leads 2 reading 4 fun & learning tomorrow. HELP your child learn the alphabet. SING the ABC song today & every day.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>When your child develops a special interest, BUILD learning on that interest! Today, SAY: "If you could learn a LOT about 1 thing, what would it be?"</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>TODAY, say a sentence with your child. You start, then stop midway to let your child say an ending. YOU: When you grow up, perhaps you will . . .</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Expand your child's vocabulary: Repeat something your child says, then add more words to DESCRIBE or EXPLAIN. Your child can learn new words from you today!</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Invite your child to tell a story about a friend. Then ask a question that needs an answer of more than one word. The ? could begin with WHY or HOW.</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>TODAY: Point to a printed word as you read it aloud. This helps your child connect the printed word with the spoken word - a big step in preparing to read!</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Your child's ability to hear beginning sounds in words is an important milestone. Say SLOWLY: Sing some silly song. ASK: What beginning sound do we hear?</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>You help your child master skills for K when you help her blend sounds into words. SAY: What animal names do you hear? bi - son. e - le - phant. ti - ger.</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Rhymes = language play = language learning! Finish with rhyming words: I see a bug on my rug, a cat in my ____, a fish in my ____, and a gar in my ____.</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>When you point to letters & words, your child notices print-an important step to school success! TODAY, search for the 1st letter of his name on a food box.</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>When your child sees YOU reading, she will want to read too! When you get library books for her, choose a couple for you. Let your child see YOU reading TODAY.</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25</p> <p>Reading a book with your child every day is a joy. Start with the cover. SAY: What do you think this story is about? Point out title and author.</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Reading books with your child ensures your child's reading success later. Visit your library twice a month. Remember your bookbag! Library=friend!</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Knowing letter names = K success. Write your child's name in capitals, say the letters' names, then SAY: Let's hunt for YOUR letters in your favorite book.</p>		

Grab an early literacy calendar and help your child get



These tips are from the Montana State Library's Ready 2 Read Texting program and are fun, easy activities for you to do with your 4-year-old. These tips can also be changed for older or younger kids!

For more tips, you can sign up for the texting program for FREE by sending "SIGNUP" to 406.204.3583! You'll receive three tips a week to your phone for eight months!