

LET'S PLAY!

Complete all the squares on the card.

Read, Talk, Play, Sing and Write together!

READ	TALK	PLAY S	SING	WRITE
When reading, ask your child questions about the pictures you see. (What color is the sun? Is that a big or little dog?)	Practice storytelling! Start with "Once upon a time, in a land far away" and then let your child share.	Make up a dance and teach it to everyone in your home. Have a dance-off, then crown the winner!	Sing the "Itsy Bitsy Spider" song together, and use hand motions along with the words.	Write a letter or draw a picture. Help your child put it in an envelope to mail to a family member or friend.
Encourage your child to act out a story you have read, including the beginning, middle and end.	Talk to your child about habits that help keep us healthy, like washing our hands and brushing our teeth.	Play "Follow the Leader" and walk, skip and jump around the room.	Make music using pots and pans, wooden spoons and other objects you find around the house.	Ask your child to draw different shapes, then help them write the name of the shape next to it.
Read a page of a book, and then count how many words are on the page.	Talk to your child in the kitchen. Have them share the color of the ingredients you are using.	Free Play!	Choose your favorite holiday song and start singing, even if the holiday is months away.	Have your child draw straight lines and circles on a piece of paper.
Have your child choose their favorite book, and read it in a new place in your home!	Make faces to show different emotions (happy, sad, angry, etc) and have your child name the emotion.	Have your child help with a chore around the house. Your child will be active, and you're teaching them a new skill.	Sing "If You're Happy and You Know It" and add your own silly directions (touch your toes, jump on one leg)	Write your child's name on a piece of paper using dots, and have them connect the dots.
Choose some boxes and cans of food, and sit with your child to read the labels.	Share a compliment with your little one, and ask them to share a compliment about a friend or family member.	Share some silly jokes with your child, and spend time laughing together.	Think of a song you loved as a child, and teach it to your child.	To practice gripping a pencil, add Cheerios or beads to a string.

Return your completed card to the library and get a prize!

Learn more about how you can read, talk, play, sing and write with your child: www.lexpublib.org.



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