



Early Literacy Extras:

Parents and caregivers are a child's first and best teachers. Here are some ideas and activities to try this week with your child. These five practices are designed to help your child develop literacy skills, engage your child, and enhance the bonds between you. Storytimes at the Adams County Library support Pennsylvania Early Learning Standards.

This week's theme was: **Colors**

Read: Watch Miss Theresa read *Seven Blind Mice* by Edwin Young on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Talk about different colors and how they can make things look a certain way.

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Play a sorting game. Take a pile of things and see who can sort them by color the fastest.

Write: Watch milk change color!

Supplies:

Milk (2% or whole works the best)

Plate (high enough ridges so milk won't spill out)

Q-Tip

Dawn Dish Soap

Food Dye

Fill plate up with milk. Add one drop of each food color dye (red, green, yellow, blue) in the center. Place a drop of dish soap on the end of the Q-tip and place it in center of the milk.

Watch as the colors expand in the milk!

Rhymes to do at Home

Colors We Know

(tune: *Twinkle Twinkle*)

Red and orange, green and blue, shiny
yellow, purple too!
These are the colors that we know, way
up high in the great rainbow.
Red and orange, green and blue, shiny
yellow, purple too!

Five Little Crayons

Five little crayons standing in a
row (hold up 5 fingers)
The first one said, "I'm red, you
know!" (wiggle the fingers as you
talk about them)
The second one said, "I'm green
like a tree"
The third one said, "I'm blue like
the sea"
The fourth one said, "I'm yellow as
the sun"
The fifth one said, "Being purple is
fun!"
Five little crayons, happy as can be
(hold up 5 fingers)
Coloring pictures with you and me
(point to person and then self)