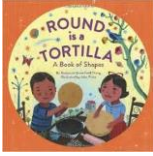



# October 2023 Early Literacy Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>1. PLAY</b> Play "I Spy with my little eye something that is . . . <b>orange!</b>"</p>	<p><b>2. SING</b> Sing: "Leaves are falling."</p>	<p><b>3. MATH</b> Look at this calendar and count how many days there are in October.</p>	<p><b>4. WRITE</b> Draw a pumpkin using curved lines.</p> 	<p><b>5. READ</b> Read a favorite story together before bedtime.</p>	<p><b>6. TALK</b> What is the weather like today? Is it cold? Is it windy? Do you need jackets?</p>	<p><b>7. LIBRARY</b> Pick up library books about pumpkins and apples and things in Fall.</p>
<p><b>8. SING</b> Put on music! Sing your favorite songs and dance around the house together.</p>	<p><b>9. TALK</b> Make a family tree together.</p> 	<p><b>10. READ</b> Read a story together. What character would you like to be? Why?</p>	<p><b>11. MATH</b> Look for food in your kitchen that is circle shaped.</p> 	<p><b>12. SCIENCE</b> Crack an egg into a bowl. What shape is the yolk? What color is it? Mix it and see what happens.</p>	<p><b>13. WRITE</b> Make pumpkins out of colored paper. [See <b>Make a Pumpkin</b> on the other side of this calendar.</p>	<p><b>14. PLAY</b> Play dress up today or put together a costume. What would you like to be?</p>
<p><b>15. PLAY</b> Play "Hide &amp; Seek" as a family. Who is best at hiding?</p>	<p><b>16. WRITE</b> Draw a picture of someone in your family. Who is it?</p>	<p><b>17. TALK</b> At dinnertime, talk as a family about what you all did today.</p>	<p><b>18. READ</b> Read a story set in Fall. Where does it take place? Is it warm or cold there?</p>	<p><b>19. SING</b> Sing: "I'm a Little Teapot".</p>	<p><b>20. LIBRARY</b> Look for a "Storytime" near you in our events calendar at: <a href="http://www.sonomalibrary.org">www.sonomalibrary.org</a></p>	<p><b>21. MATH</b> Cut open a pumpkin and try to count all the seeds. How many are there?</p>
<p><b>22. READ</b> At the grocery store point to foods that you like. What are they called?</p>	<p><b>23. SING</b> Sing: "I'm a Little Teapot".</p>	<p><b>24. RHYME</b> What rhymes with "bread"?</p>	<p><b>25. PLAY</b> Have a "tea party" with cups of juice or milk. Eat cookies. Tell each other jokes.</p>	<p><b>26. TALK</b> At night, talk about what you did today. What will you do tomorrow?</p>	<p><b>27. WRITE</b> Make a paper apple tree. [See <b>Make an Apple Tree</b> on the back of this calendar.]</p>	<p><b>28. PLAY</b> Go for a walk and collect different colored leaves.</p>
<p><b>29. LIBRARY</b> Most libraries are now open <b>1-5 pm</b> on Sundays. Stop in and visit us!</p>	<p><b>30. READ</b> Read a book you got from the library.</p>	<p><b>31. PLAY</b> Eat some special treats together.</p> 		<p>Preparing your child for school is easy and fun! Children learn through play. Ask your librarian for more great suggestions. <b>TALK – SING – READ – WRITE – PLAY</b> <a href="http://www.sonomalibrary.org">www.sonomalibrary.org</a></p>		

# Songs and Rhymes to Share with your Little One

## Leaves Are Falling

Leaves are falling,  
Leaves are falling,  
All around, all around,  
They are falling softly  
Very, very softly,  
On the ground, on the ground.



## I'm a Little Teapot

I'm a little teapot,  
Short and stout.  
Here is my handle.  
Here is my spout.  
When I get all steamed up, here me shout:



Tip me over and pour me out !

## Make a Pumpkin



Cut colored paper into strips.  
Tape the ends together to make a circle.  
Tape the circles together to make a sphere.  
Draw a face on your pumpkin.  
Add a stem and a leaf.  
Make different colored pumpkins!

## Make an Apple Tree

Draw your child's hand and arm on a piece of brown paper to form the trunk of a tree and cut it out.  
Cut green paper to form the treetop and glue it behind.  
Glue red pompoms or buttons for apples.

