



























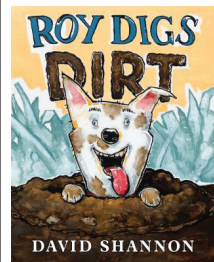


October 2023 Early Learning Calendar

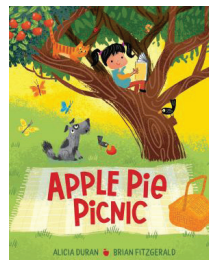
Encourage a love of learning in your child by doing one fun activity each day. Visit griver.org or your local library for more ideas, books and programs to do with your child.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
 1 Pretend you are a veterinarian – an animal doctor. What animals might you help?	 2 Sort colored candies by color before sharing and eating them.	 3 Tell a grown-up: what is something that makes you laugh?	 4 Practice clapping your hands quickly; then clap them slowly.	 5 Read <i>Roy Digs Dirt</i> or another book by David Shannon to celebrate his birthday.	 6 Gather household objects and practice building bridges together.	 7 Pretend you are a lion. How would you move? How would you sound?		
 8 Read a book by Karma Wilson to celebrate her birthday.	 9 Learn to say “hello” in a language that is new to you. Try American Sign Language!	 10 Find and count five orange things in your house.	 11 Pretend to be a superhero. Tie a towel around your shoulders like a cape.	 12 Can you find five square shapes in your house?	 13 Look in a mirror and make silly faces.	 14 Visit your library today. Check out a book with a blue cover.		
 15 Move your fingers: scribble with orange crayon on a pumpkin shape.	 16 Look at pumpkins and talk about size: Which is largest? Which is smallest?	 17 How many words can you name that rhyme with “black”?	 18 Read <i>Amara’s Farm</i> by JaNay Brown-Wood to learn about pumpkins.	 19 Stretch your arms as high as you can; then reach as low as you can.	 20 Pretend you are an eye doctor. Draw letters of different sizes, and ask your family to name them.	 21 Walk outdoors on fallen leaves. Describe the sounds you hear.		
 22 Tell a story to someone you love.	 23 Go for a walk outdoors and count the number of pumpkins you see.	 24 Roll a ball back and forth with a friend or sibling.	 25 Have a grown-up help you carve a pumpkin. How does it feel inside?	 26 Tell a friend or sibling about your favorite animal.	 27 Visit your library today. Check out something that is NOT a book.	 28 Use washable markers to decorate a pumpkin.		
 29 Read a book while sitting outdoors.	 30 Pretend you are a leaf as you fall slowly to the ground.	 31 Have a TV turn-off day. Play games and read books with your family.	 Every Child Ready to Read® is a project of the Association for Library Service to Children and the Public Library Association, divisions of the American Library Association.					

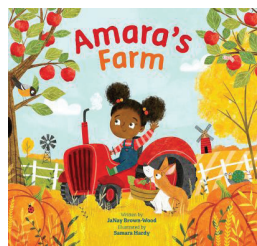
October Booklist:



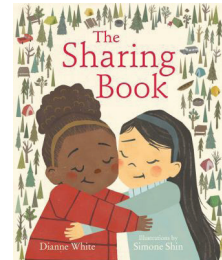
**Roy Digs
Dirt**
by
David Shannon



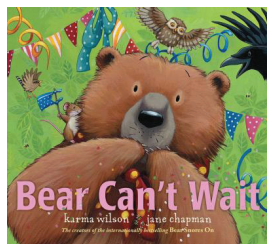
**Apple Pie
Picnic**
by
Alicia Duran



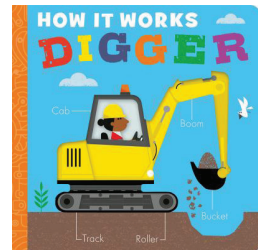
**Amara's
Farm**
by
JaNay
Brown-Wood



**The Sharing
Book**
by
Dianne White



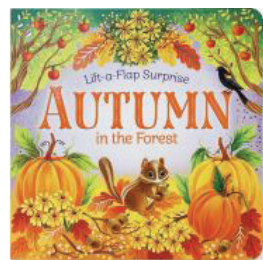
**Bear Can't
Wait**
by
Karma Wilson



Digger
by
Molly Littleboy
(board book)



**Pumpkin Day
at the Zoo**
by
Susan Meissner



**Autumn in
the Forest**
by
Rusty Finch

October Songs/Rhymes:

Apple Up High

(sung to the tune of: Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star)

Apple, apple, way up high, *point up*
I can reach you if I try. *reach up*
Climb a ladder, hold on tight. *mimic actions*
Pick you quickly, take a bite.
Apple, apple, way up high,
I can reach you if I try!

Apples in the Bowl

Five little apples in the bowl, *hold up five fingers*
One fell out and started to roll. *roll hands*
It bumped the table and hit my feet! *point to feet*
How many apples are left to eat? *count together after each verse*
additional verses:
Four little apples . . .
Three little apples . . .
Two little apples . . .
One little apple . . .



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