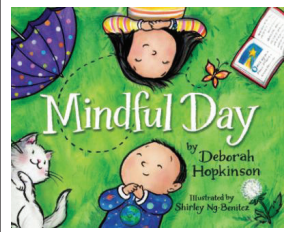


February 2024 Early Learning Calendar

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
		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.		 1 Practice imitating animal sounds. How many can you name?	 2 Find and count five red things in your house.	 3 Go outside and look for winter birds.
 4 Read, <u>Mindful Day</u> by Deborah Hopkinson to celebrate the author's birthday.	 5 Touch and taste a bit of sugar and a bit of salt. How are they alike? How are they different?	 6 Sing, "Row, Row Your Boat" as you sit on the floor and row with your arms.	 7 Make a valentine card for someone you love.	 8 Help a grown-up make pizza and count the toppings you use.	 9 Visit your library today. Check out a book about penguins.	 10 To celebrate Lunar New Year, name words that rhyme with "moon."
 11 Read, <u>The Frustrating Book!</u> or another book by Mo Willems to celebrate his birthday.	 12 Scribble with red crayon on a heart shape picture or cutout.	 13 Look at the windows in your house. Which is biggest? Which is smallest?	 14 Tell your grown-up what you love about them on Valentine's Day.	 15 Build a tower with things that are NOT blocks.	 16 Go outside and stomp in the snow.	 17 On Random Acts of Kindness Day, read <u>A Small Kindness</u> by Stacy McAnulty.
 18 Go outside and make shapes in the snow with your hands and feet.	 19 Read a book next to a real (or imaginary) fireplace.	 20 Pretend you are a penguin. How would you move? Where would you live?	 21 Learn more about your favorite animal. Borrow library books or search online!	 22 Gather your stuffed animals and arrange them from smallest to biggest.	 23 Talk about words that begin with the /f/ sound – like February!	 24 Visit your library today. Tell the librarian about your favorite book.
 25 March in place for one minute with your grown-up.	 26 Ask your grown-up to whisper as they read your bedtime story.	 27 Play Hide and Seek with a friend or sibling.	 28 Practice matching all of the mittens at your house.	 29 It's Leap Day! Play "leapfrog" with a friend or sibling.		

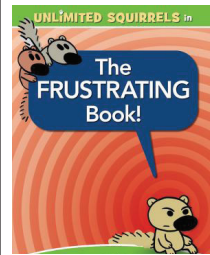
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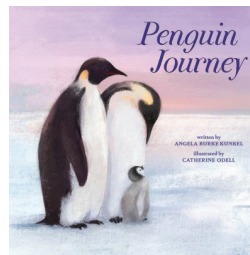
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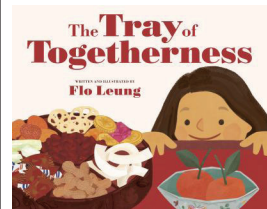
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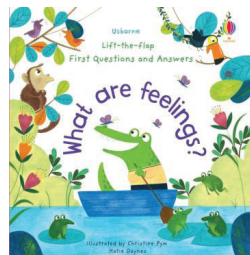
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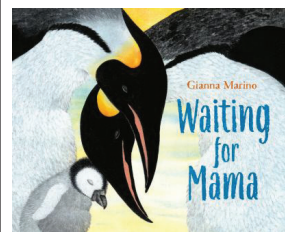
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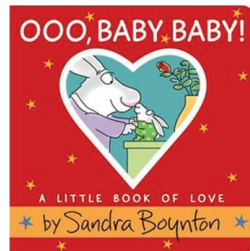
**Tray of
Togetherness**
by
Flo Leung



**What Are
Feelings?**
by
Katie Daynes
(board book)



**Waiting
for Mama**
by
Gianna
Marino



**Ooo,
Baby Baby!**
by
Sandra
Boynton
(board book)

February Songs/Rhymes:

Row, Row, Row Your Boat

Sit on the floor facing a friend. Hold hands as you "row" with your arms back and forth.

Row, row, row your boat,
Gently down the stream.
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily;
Life is but a dream!



**Find this song on these recordings:*

Camp Songs by Ella Jenkins (Music CD Children Jen)
50 Sing-Along Songs (Music CD Children Fif)
Songs for Wiggleworms (Music CD Children Son)

Two Little Hands

Do the actions as you say the rhyme.

Two little hands go clap, clap, clap.
Two feet little feet go tap, tap, tap.
Two little legs go jump, jump, jump.
Two little hips go bump, bump, bump.
One little body turns around.
One little body sits right down!

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