# January 2024 Early Learning Calendar

clean snow with all five

senses: touch, taste,

listen, smell, see.

things at your house.

Which object is tallest?

Which is shortest?

with crayons, stickers

and a paper lunch bag?

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.

@ your library

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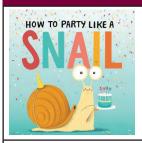
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Read	Play	Talk 3	37 COUNT 5 4	Explore 5	Move? 6
	On New Year's Day, read <u>How to Party Like</u> <u>a Snail</u> by Naseem Hrab.	Make a snow person out of cotton balls and glue.	How many words can you name that rhyme with "year"?	Find and count five blue things in your house.	Put some objects in a small bag. Invite a friend to reach inside and guess what they are.	When you get up today, hop to the kitchen for breakfast.
Explore 7	Talk 8	Play 9	Move? 10	Talk "	12	347 COUNT 5
Blow through a straw: can you move a cotton ball across the table?	Tell a grown-up what you love best about YOU!	Pretend it is summer. Lie on a beach towel and read a book.	Do the actions as you sing the song, "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes."	As you clean your room, use words like "above," "below," and "behind."	Visit your library today. Ask the librarian about 1000 Books Before Kindergarten.	Go outside with a friend and count how many snowballs you can make.
Move? 14	Read	Read 16	Play 17	37 COUNT 5 18	Move? 19	Read 20
Dance with someone you love.	Read, <u>We March</u> by Shane Evans to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.	Read the book, In Every Life or another title by Marla Frazee to celebrate her birthday.	Play "Follow the Leader" with a friend. Take turns leading.	Count out your snack today. How many pieces do you have?	Touch your nose; then touch your toes. Repeat this 10 times.	Read a story about the character Fly Guy to celebrate creator Tedd Arnold's birthday.
Explore 21	Talk 22	Move? 23	Play 24	Read 25	347 COUNT 5 26	27
Go outside and take notice of the weather. Is it sunny? Cold? Windy?	Tell a friend or sibling: What is your favorite kind of soup?	Scribble with white crayon on blue paper to make a snowy scene.	Pretend you are a bear. How would you move? How would you sound?	As you listen to your bedtime story, talk about what happens first, next and last.	Help a grown-up make popcorn and practice counting the pieces.	Visit your library today. Count the number of books you check out.
Explore 28	3 COUNT 5	Play 30	Talk 31	E	very <b>CHKLD</b>	
Go outside and explore	Use a ruler to measure	What can you make	What is one new thing		Ready to REAL	

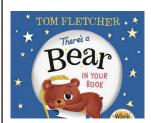
you would like to

learn this year?

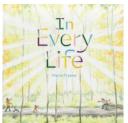
## **January Booklist:**



How to Party Like a Snail by Naseem Hrab



There's a
Bear
in Your Book
by
Tom Fletcher



In Every Life by Marla Frazee



Boys Don't Fry by Kimberly Lee



Fly Guy's Big Family by Tedd Arnold



Stay My Baby by Lana Button (board book)



**We March** by Shane Evans



My Hair is Like the Sun by St. Clair Detrick-Jules (board book)

## **January Songs/Rhymes:**

#### Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

Point to each part of your body as you sing the song!

Head, shoulders, knees and toes,

Knees and toes.

Head, shoulders, knees and toes, Knees and toes.

Eyes and ears and mouth and nose, Head, shoulders, knees and toes!



#### \*Find this song on these recordings:

<u>Sing-Along Songs for Children</u> (Kit J782.42 Sin)

<u>VeggieTales: 25 Favorite Action Songs</u> (Music CD Children Twe)

The Wheels on the Bus Go Round the World (Music CD Children Whe)

### **Five Little Snowpals**

Count on your fingers as you say this fun rhyme!

Five little snowpals round and fat. hold up five fingers
Each one wearing a funny hat. point to head

In the morning out came the sun. make circle with arms
It looked down and melted one. put down one finger

repeat with 4... 3... 2... 1...

## Great River Regional Library 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

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