# October 2021 Early Literacy Calendar

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<td><img src="logo.png" alt="Library Logo" /></td>
<td>Preparing your child for school is easy and fun! Children learn through play! Ask your librarian for more great suggestions. <strong>TALK – SING – READ – WRITE – PLAY</strong> <a href="http://www.sonomalibrary.org">www.sonomalibrary.org</a></td>
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<td><strong>3. MATHEMATICS</strong> Spell out the name of your town. How many letters are there?</td>
<td><strong>4. SING</strong> Sing: “Leaves are Falling” while making hand movements.</td>
<td><strong>5. MATHEMATICS</strong> Look at this calendar and count how many days there are in October.</td>
<td><strong>6. WRITE</strong> Write your child’s name and have them trace the letters with a finger.</td>
<td><strong>7. PLAY</strong> Go outside and gather different colored leaves. What colors did you find?</td>
<td><strong>8. WRITE</strong> Draw a picture of trees with different colored leaves.</td>
<td><strong>9. READ</strong> Read an alphabet book.</td>
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<td><strong>17. SCIENCE</strong> Fill a sink with water and drop in different objects. See if you can guess which will sink or float!</td>
<td><strong>18. READ</strong> Read a book that won the Caldecott award.</td>
<td><strong>19. SING</strong> Sing: “The ABC Song” slow and then fast.</td>
<td><strong>20. MATHEMATICS</strong> First, count from 1 to 10 and then, count back from 10 to 1.</td>
<td><strong>21. PLAY</strong> Dance to a favorite song and then freeze when the music stops.</td>
<td><strong>22. WRITE</strong> Draw a picture of your family.</td>
<td><strong>23. TALK</strong> Recite the days of the week together.</td>
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<td><strong>24. MATHEMATICS</strong> Look for different shapes in your home.</td>
<td><strong>25. TALK</strong> What do you see outside in the fall that you didn’t see in summer?</td>
<td><strong>26. PLAY</strong> Paint a picture with watercolors.</td>
<td><strong>27. WRITE</strong> Draw circles and triangles and then trace the shapes with your fingers.</td>
<td><strong>28. SING</strong> Sing: “Baa Baa Black Sheep”.</td>
<td><strong>29. TALK</strong> What is your favorite candy or treat?</td>
<td><strong>30. WRITE</strong> Draw a fall scene. Are there leaves? Pumpkins? Scarecrows?</td>
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<td><strong>31. TALK</strong> What do you hope to do next month? (in November)</td>
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Songs and Rhymes to Share with your Little One

Leaves are falling
(To the tune of “Are you sleeping?”)
Movement: hold your hands above your head and wiggle your fingers as you bring your hands down.)

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

Pease Porridge Hot
(Clap out the rhyme.)

Pease porridge hot,
Pease porridge cold.
Pease porridge in the pot
Nine days old.

Baa, baa, black sheep
Baa, baa, black sheep,
Have you any wool?
Yes sir, yes sir, three bags full.
One for my master,
One for my dame,
And one for the little boy who lives down the lane.

The Itsy Bitsy spider
The itsy bitsy spider
Went up the water spout.
Down came the rain
And washed the spider out!
Out came the sun
And dried up all the rain.
And the Itsy Bitsy spider
Went up the spout again.

A B C

A B C D E F G
H I J K L M N O P
Q R S T U V
W X Y Z
Now I know my ABC’s,
Next time won’t you sing with me?