



Literacy Resources for Families

Reading, singing and talking with your children everyday helps build a foundation for early literacy skills. Make reading, singing and writing a part of your family's daily routine. Select activities from the resources below that will engage your child in learning early literacy skills at home.



[Read Early and Often](#): Provides information on the importance of reading early and the different stages of literacy development.

[Seven Research-Based ways to Promote Early Literacy](#): A video that promotes family literacy.

[Making Room for Family Literacy](#): A video that offers ideas on how to make your home a literacy rich environment.

[Raising Readers What Parents Can Do](#): Tips on how you can help your child become a reader.

[Talk, Read and Sing Together Every Day](#): Provides parents tips on talking, singing and reading that support the language and literacy skills of babies and toddlers.

[Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards](#): Activities and resources for families with children age's birth to kindergarten that align to Florida's Early Learning and Developmental Standards.

[Reading Rockets' When School is Closed Resources to Keep Kids Learning at Home](#): Provides parents with engaging ways to keep kids reading, writing, exploring and learning at home. You will find lots of ideas to engage kids in language and stories, build background knowledge, and inspire creative play.

[Reading Tips for Parents in Multiple Languages](#): Reading tips for families that speak languages other than English for families.

[Helping Struggling Readers](#): Ideas for families who have readers that need additional support.

[Home Literacy Environment Checklist](#): Ways to make your home literacy friendly for children.

[Reading Rockets' Start with a Book](#): Provides book centered activities for families to use at home

[How to Choose a Read Aloud Book](#): Tips on reading aloud to children and selecting books for children.

[Why Reading Aloud to Kids Helps Them Thrive](#): Tips for making the most of reading aloud to children.

[Storyline Online](#): Provides stories being read aloud by actors, as well as book-related activities for children.

[Book Finder from Reading Rockets](#): Helps families find books appropriate for the age of their child.

[The Center for Early Literacy Learning \(CELL\)](#): has developed specific materials to assist in guiding their child's early literacy development through the use of fun and exciting early literacy learning experiences. These materials are applicable to specific age groups. Parents may select infants, toddlers, or preschoolers for each type of the resources listed below:

- [CELLcasts](#): CELLcasts are audio/visual versions of CELL Parent Practice Guides. CELLcasts are available for parents to watch and listen to online or download.
- [CELL Videos](#): Each video introduces and illustrates a key component of the CELL Early Literacy Model. The videos are for use by teachers and with parents as indicated.
- [CELL Tools](#): CELL has created an extensive library of tools and resources that are easy to use and easy to implement that aide in supporting families.