

Grow a Reader Kits

As parents and caregivers, you are your child's most important teacher. Whether you are a new parent, a parent of five, a grandparent, a teacher, or a nanny we can help you develop your child's essential language skills and provide enrichment for your little ones all year long with our Grow a Reader Kits.

Preschools, childcare facilities, and families are welcome to borrow our early literacy kits which have been designed for birth – preschoolers and their caregivers in mind. Each themed kit comes with a variety of materials from books, puzzles, CD's, to puppets and more on a variety of fun topics including seasons and holidays. In addition, each kit also contains a guide sheet that includes songs, rhymes and other suggested activities to do with your child while using the kit.

Visit the Library to check out a kit or for more resources to support your child – from activities in the Imagination Station to books, storytimes, programs and more – we want to help your child “Bee a Reader”!

Five Early Literacy Practices to Get Your Child Ready to Read

Learning to read begins *before* your child starts school — as a matter of fact, it begins at birth! Help your child get ready to read, listen and write by doing these early literacy activities together every day.

read

.....**Read together every day**, even if it is only for a few minutes. Many children love to hear the same stories over and over, so find favorites!

talk

.....**Talk throughout the day to your child**. Point out what you are seeing and doing together and ask lots of questions!

sing

.....**Sing songs and nursery rhymes!** Rhymes help your child learn new words and develop listening and memory skills.

write

.....**Encourage scribbling!** Keep crayons and paper on a table where your child can practice.

play

.....**Have fun together!** Playtime helps children learn important language and social skills.