

Ages 0-6

# Lopez Library Summer Early Literacy Challenge!

Here's how it works:

To participate and receive prizes, submit your early literacy activity log to the Lopez Public Library by August 21st. There is no cost and no registration required to participate. Color in a shape below each time you complete an early literacy activity, and write a few of your favorites on the log on back to receive a completion prize.

**What are early literacy activities?** There are five simple activities that help support your child's reading readiness from birth: Talk, Sing, Read, Write, Play. Engaging in these activities often throughout the day with trusted adults supports young children in developing a love of learning as well as the social, emotional, cognitive, and physical skills needed for literacy and much more. See the back of this sheet for more information.

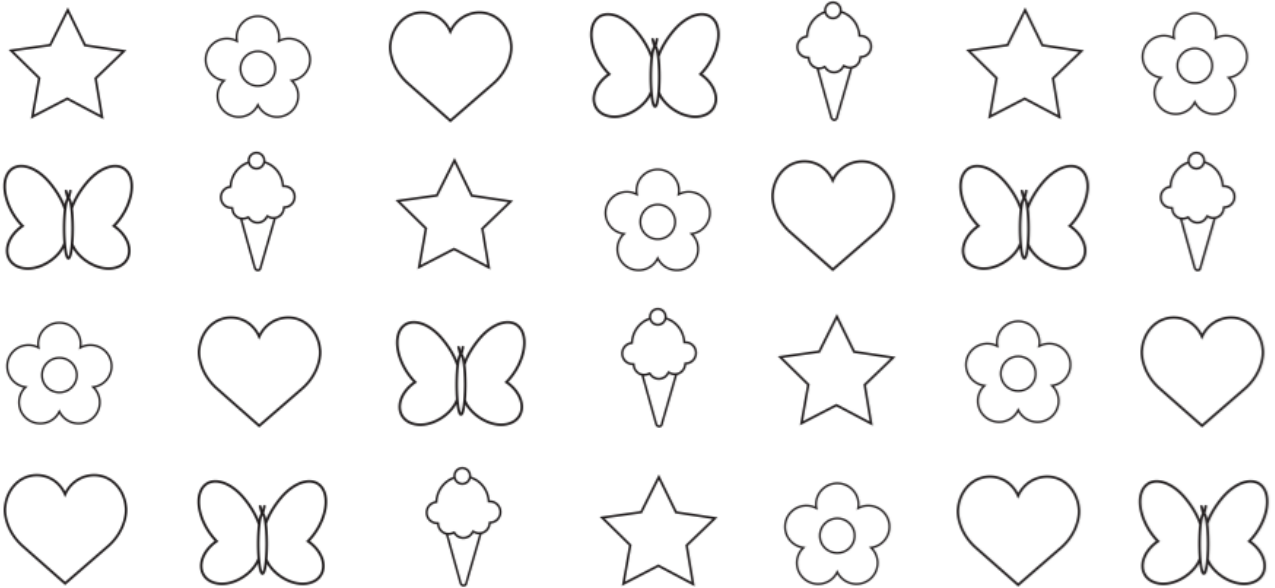


Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## EARLY LITERACY READING & ACTIVITY LOG

Color in a shape each time you read a book or do an activity with your child.



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To return your reading log, put this sheet in an envelope and drop it into a library book drop; or take a photo or scan your log-sheet, and email to [ingrid@lopezlibrary.org](mailto:ingrid@lopezlibrary.org). Remember to write your name! Return by August 21st.



# LOPEZ LIBRARY SUMMER READING & ACTIVITY LOG

Write a few of your favorite books, songs, rhymes, or other activities below.

You can get reading recommendations, and find other fun stuff at [lopezlibrary.org/summer-reading-2020](http://lopezlibrary.org/summer-reading-2020)

Use our Activity Packets (including the Land Bank and Preservation Trust packets) or your own ideas.

Title and author of book, title of song or rhyme, or short description for other activities

Blank writing area for recording activities.

## EARLY LITERACY: THE FIVE PRACTICES

**Talk:** Children learn language by listening to adults talk and joining in the conversation. Talking about things around you and telling stories helps children learn new concepts and new words. Remember to pause even if your child does not yet say words, they will enjoy responding in their own way.

**Sing:** Singing develops language and listening skills. It also slows words down, helping children hear the different sounds. The rhythm and melody help little listeners tune into rhythm and pitch changes in language too.

**Read:** Reading together nurtures a love of reading and helps children learn what words mean and how to tell a story. While you read, ask questions about the story and point out details in the pictures.

**Write:** Children become aware of familiar shapes and then letters as they are pointed out. Mastering use of their hands and later drawing helps develop fine motor skills needed for writing and so much more.

**Play:** Playing is great for language and literacy skills, as children put their thoughts into words, and talk about what they are doing. It also helps them learn about feelings, imagination, and storytelling, and that words stand for real things.



### Did you say PRIZES?!

Turn in your completed log by August 21st to get a prize. You may also recommend a book for the library's collection, with a special bookplate including your child's name. In addition, gift certificates to local businesses will be raffled off.



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