



# PLAYING OUR WAY TO LITERACY

Read

Write

Talk

Sing

Play

## MONDAY

Use cookie cutters for little ones to press into dough. Talk about the shapes and how many sides each one has.

## TUESDAY

Instead of tracing letters with fingers or pencils, use small toy cars to drive through the letters. This will add interest for the little ones who love vehicles.

## WEDNESDAY

Set out alphabet flash cards. Have your child find toys that start with the card's letter. Example: a card with the letter Y could have a yo-yo matched up to it.

## THURSDAY

Trap one of your child's toys inside a cup by covering it with plastic wrap, rubber bands, or tape. Ask them to rescue their toy by tearing it open.

## FRIDAY

Make a rainbow sensory bin using buttons, pom-poms, feathers, milk caps, etc. Have your little one use hands or tongs (for more fine motor work) to sort the items.

## SATURDAY

Do you know any songs about the weather? Sing them together and then talk about the different kinds of weather and the type you are experiencing each day.

## SUNDAY

Roll small one inch sized balls of dough. Roll a die and count out the same number of dough balls to smash with a toy hammer, fork, spoon, or hands.

## LITERACY TIP:

Counting everyday things like the number of stairs you climb or trees you see helps teach one-to-one correspondence. This will help kids learn early math basics.