

# Little Lions Storytime

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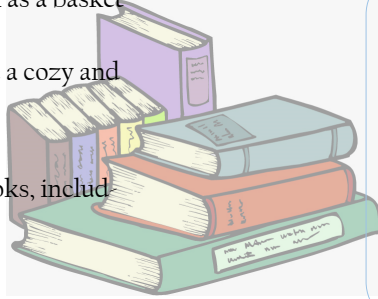
## Language Comprehension

Read with your child each day!

### Week 1

Create a reading area for your child.

- Store your child's books in a special place such as a basket or drawer or on a low shelf.
- Place a small rug or pillow in the area to create a cozy and comfortable place for reading.
- Join your child and enjoy reading together.
- Talk with your child about how to care for books, including how to return books to their storage place.



### Skills for School

- Makes simple predictions and comments about a story being read
- Retells a simple story such as *The Three Little Pigs* after listening to it while looking at pictures in the book
- Holds and looks at book correctly; for example, holds the book right side up and turns the pages one at a time from front to back

### Week 2

Give your child a variety of books for reading.

- Visit your local library with your child.
- Let your child look at the picture books in the children's section of the library and select several books to take home.
- Get a library card for your child.
- Look for other places to find books:
  - garage sales or yard sales
  - thrift shops
  - friends or relatives
  - public library sales
  - book stores



### Special Activities

Celebrate Reading

- Start a list of books you have read with your child.
- Place a star beside their favorite books.
- Your child may draw a picture after you read a story. Display the picture somewhere special.
- Join the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge either through the mobile app or through the Gravette Public Library.

### Week 3

Set aside special time each day to read with your child.

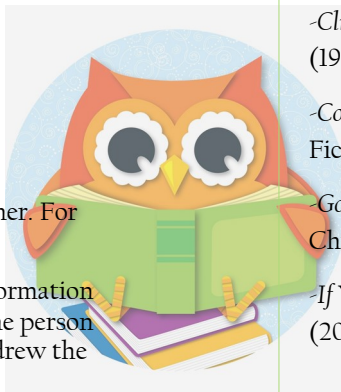
- Read with your child in a special place such as a comfortable chair away from distractions.
- Hold your child close to you when you read to develop a positive attitude toward reading.
- Read your child's favorite books over and over.
- Read favorite books from your childhood.

### Week 4

Let your child participate in book reading.

-Talk with your child as you enjoy reading a book together. For example:

- Talk with your child about the illustrations and information on the cover of the book such as the title, author (the person who wrote the story), and illustrator (person who drew the pictures).
- Ask your child to look at the illustrations on the cover of the book and predict what they think the book is about
- Show your child how to start at the beginning of the book and how to turn the pages
- Ask your child to retell the story in their own words



### Suggested Books

- Clifford's First School Day* by Normal Bridwell (1999). Children's Fiction. Series. C FIC BRI
- Corduroy* by Don Freeman (1968). Children's Fiction. Picture Book. C FIC FRE
- Goodnight Moon* by Margaret Wise Brown (1947). Children's Fiction. Board Books. C FIC BRO
- If You Take A Mouse To School* by Laura Joffe (2002). Children's Fiction. Series. C FIC NUM