



You are a STAR! Reader

A summer program for Pre-Readers



How does STAR! Reader work?

1. Each month (June, July, August) visit either library branch to pick up the monthly activity log.
2. As you complete each activity with your child, color or mark the corresponding STAR.
3. Once you complete all 10 activities, bring the log back to the library to receive a brand new book for your child!

When does STAR! Reader begin and end?

Activity logs will be available at Concord Free Public Library and Fowler Branch Library June 1st through August 23. Please visit the library with your completed log anytime before September 9th to collect your prizes.

Looking for inspiration?

Library staff is happy to help with book and activity suggestions for you and your child.

For more fun and skill building, join us this summer for one of our Storytimes. Visit www.concordlibrary.org/kids or contact us to get the schedule or learn more.

What is Early Literacy?

Early literacy begins at birth. It is the development of skills that a child needs to eventually learn to read and write. The five practices of Early Literacy are:

Talking - Your child begins to learn language by hearing you speak. Don't hesitate to use words they don't know! it's how their vocabulary will expand.

Singing - Singing slows down language and helps your child to hear the smaller sounds in words.

Reading - Reading with your child is the most important way to help them get ready to read. Children who enjoy being read to are more likely to want to learn to read.

Writing - As children scribble and draw, they are developing the fine motor control needed to write letters and words.

Playing - Pretend play enables children to think symbolically, develop problem-solving skills, and build narrative skills.

Concord Free Public Library

129 Main St. Concord, MA

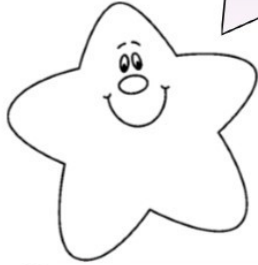
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Fowler Branch Library

1322 Main St. Concord, MA

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Explore a book with flaps or textured pages together.



STAR! Reader June Activities

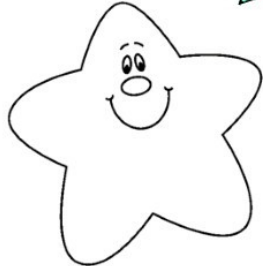
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Draw and scribble outside with sidewalk chalk.



1. Color in each **STAR** after you complete the activity.
2. Complete all 10 activities and bring this log to either library branch to collect your prize!

Talk about your everyday activities as you do them (ex: "The dishes are going in the dishwasher")



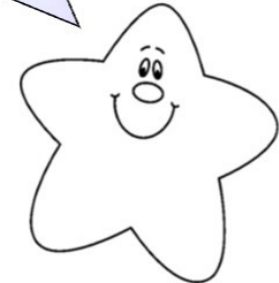
During bath time, point out and name different body parts.



While reading a book that has animals in it, make the animal noises together.



Make up some fun songs using your child's name in them and sing them.



Clap out the syllables in your child's name.



Make up a story using puppets or stuffed animals.



Read a story and act out the movements to some of the action words.



Fingerpaint letters with your favorite material, like paint, water, or shaving cream.



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