



# Rubber Ducky Readers

A summer program for ages birth to 4



## How does Rubber Ducky Readers 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 duck.
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 Rubber Ducky Readers begin and end?

Activity logs will be available at Concord Free Public Library and Fowler Branch Library June 10th through August 12th. 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](http://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

978-318-3358

**Fowler Branch Library**

1322 Main St. Concord, MA

978-318-3350

Learn a new nursery rhyme and share it with your child.

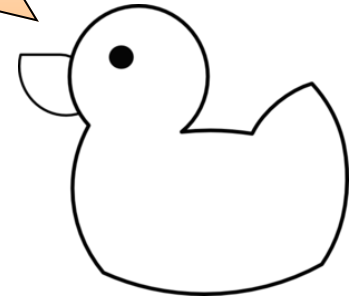


# Rubber Ducky Readers June Activities

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

Talk about the pictures in a book before reading.



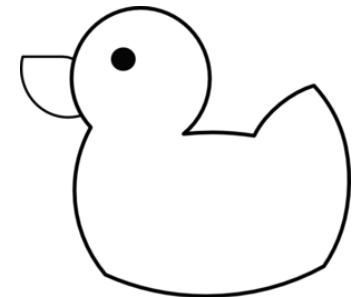
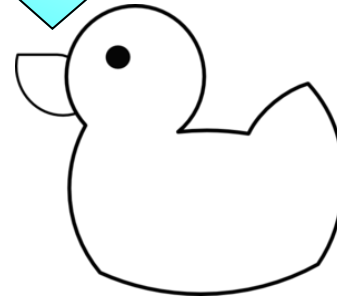
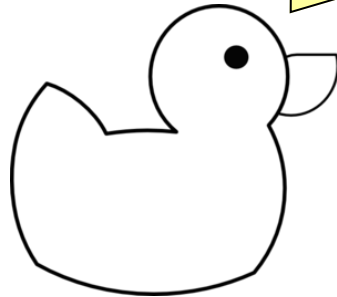
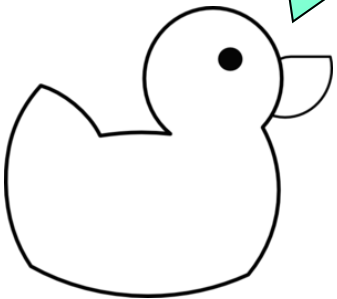
Declare a letter of the day and point out that letter whenever you see it.

CHILD'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

Have a dance party.

Share a favorite bedtime story with your child.

Check out 3 picture books or board books from the library.



Play and build with blocks.

Do a song or fingerplay, such as "Itsy Bitsy Spider."

Attend a library program with your child.

Read a book about the outdoors. Then, take a walk and point out things that you read about.

