



Spring Early Literacy Newsletter 2016

Corvallis-Benton County Public Library

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The Great Outdoors

Spring is here, and yes, it brings us lots of spring showers. Even so, you may find the outdoors beckoning as the amount of daylight increases. What great surprises will you find outside your front (or back) door?

These books may inspire you to look:

In the Small, Small Pond—E Fleming, Denise



In the Tall, Tall Grass— E Fleming, Denise

Traces—E Fox, Paula Out of the Ocean-E Frasier, Debra

Staff

Picks

Sweep Up the Sun-E Frost, Helen

Into the Outdoors—E Gal, Susan

The Great Big Green— E Gifford, Peggy

What Joe Saw—E Hines,

Out and About— E Hughes, Shirley

A Closer Look— E McCarthy, Mary

What Does Bunny See? -E Park, Linda

My Spring Robin— E Rockwell, Anne

Country Road—E San Sou, Daniel

Spring Song—E Seuling, Barbara

The Listening Walk— E Showers, Paul

Walking with Mama-E Stynes, Barbara



The Bear Went Over the Mountain—

E Trapani, Iza

Angel Hide and Seek-E Turner, Ann

1,2,3 Moose: A Pacific Northwest counting book-E Wolfe, Art

Baby Bear Sees Blue-E Wolff, Ashlev



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Early Literacy Tip

Speak to your child in the language with which you feel most comfortable. He or she will hear and learn more complex language and ideas when you are comfortable communicating and playing in your native language.

Elizabeth's Pick



Tickle Monster by Édouard Manceau

Heidi's Pick



Tree: A peekthrough picture book by Britta Teckentrup



Bringing the Outside In by Mary Siddals

Kristy's Pick



Dinosaur Kisses by David Ezra Stein

Julia's Pick



The Chicken Thief by Beatrice Rodriguez

Peik-Kuan's Pick

How To Mend a **Heart** by Sara Gilingham



Kristin's Pick



El día de los niños / El día de los libros

El diá de los niños, el diá de los libros (Children's Day / Book Day) is a day created by librarians and educators as a celebration of childhood and bilingual literacy. It

emphasizes the importance of advocating literacy for every child regardless of linguistic and cultural background. The celebration is cross-cultural and intergenerational. In the words of one of the founders of this annual event, author Pat **Book Fiesta! By Pat Mora** Mora: "April 30th has

become a day for remembering the power of words and books in the lives of our young people and for honoring all the languages spoken in the homes of this

> country. One in five of our school children comes from a home in is spoken. By honoring these languages, we celebrate our linguistic and

which a language other than English cultural wealth."

Special Día program:

April 30th, Saturday 3 pm-4pm

Corvallis-Benton County Public Library Main Meeting Room



Presenting: Habiba Addo

Storytelling, music, and dance for families

I Am Me!

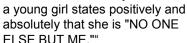


Jacob's New Dress— E Hoffman, Sarah

"Jacob, who likes to wear dresses at home. convinces his parents to let him wear a dress to school, too."

I Am Me-E Kuskin, Carla

"After being told how she resembles other members of her family.





Pezzettino-E Lionni, Leo

"Little Pezzettino is so small he is convinced he must be a piece of somebody else. A wise man helps him discover

ELVIRA

the truth."

Elvira— E Shannon, Margaret

"A young dragon who prefers making daisy chains and dressing up rather

than fighting and eating princesses finds a way to be who she is."



Exclamation Mark— E Rosenthal, Amy

"A punctuation mark feels bad that he

doesn't fit in with the others until a friend reveals the possibilities that exist when differences are accepted."

Squashed in the Middle— E Winthrop. Elizabeth

"When Daisy, a middle child, is invited to spend the night at her friend's house, her family finally pays attention to her."



Odd Velvet-E Whitcomb, Mary

"Although she dresses differently from the other girls and does things

which are unusual, Velvet eventually teaches her classmates that even an outsider has something to offer."

Resources for Parents, **Caregivers and Educators**

www.patmora.com

Offers more information about Diá and the author Pat Mora, children's literature, ideas and curriculum activities that tie into book titles that celebrate Latino culture, and other multicultural resources.

www.multiculturalchildrenslit.com

Contains annotated bibliography of children's multicultural books appropriate for children kindergarten through 6th grade.

If you are a Facebook user, you can connect with the Center for the Study of Multicultural Children's Literature, This will allow you to see lists of multicultural books from various book awards from several years past, as well as book suggestions for various cultural celebrations. A great place to find great reads!

www.cbcpl.net/picture-books

Provides lists of suggested books on various topics, including "Multicultural Picture books".

Did You Know? By Ruth Rose Hennessey

Learning a second language can benefit us in more than one way!

According to Bruce D. Perry MD. PhD, "There is no genetic code that leads a child to speak English or Spanish or Japanese. Language is learned. We are born with the capacity to make 40 sounds and our genetics allows our brain to make associations between sounds and objects, actions, or ideas, Language -with all of its magnificent complexity- is one of the greatest gifts we give our children." Linda DiProperzio writes in a Parents magazine article that recent research suggests that simply thinking in a foreign language helps people make quicker and better life decisions, and a study by the College Entrance Examination Board reports a direct correlation between foreign language study and high SAT scores. People who speak a foreign language often enjoy better career prospects and higher standards of living. And there are even health benefits -- recent research from the University of Chicago suggests that a second language also helps prevent dementia later in life.

What's available at our library?

The Corvallis-Benton County Public Library has a variety of ways to help you and your children learn a second language (or third!). All of the children's materials for learning languages, from American Sign to Vietnamese, are in the 400s of the Juvenile Nonfiction section.

There are:

- picture dictionaries and phrasebooks
- CDs and DVDs
- sets of books with CDs or DVDs together (many of which use music and songs to enhance learning.)
- educational systems such as the world famous Pimsleur method for children called Little Pim on DVD and the popular BBC

system called Muzzy Languages.

Little Pim & Mango Languages online database. (Using your library card, you can access all of the Little Pim videos in 10 languages for young children and the lesson modules for Mango Languages appropriate for older children and adults.)

Additionally, in the juvenile section there are:

- Books written in other languages
- Books that are written in two languages

and the library offers a bilingual English-Spanish Family Storytime at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library every month.

Los Cuentos

2nd Saturday of the month at 11am

Be sure to ask one of the Youth Services Reference Librarians for help getting started on this fun adventure!

Here are some examples of our library resources:

Little Pim, Mandarin, Chinese DVD: I can count!

J 495.1834 Little



My First Songs in Spanish, Mis primeras canciones en Ingles CD

Tigers, Frogs, and Rice Cakes: A book of Korean proverbs

J Korean Language 398.2 Tigers



Parenting Picks

Baby 411: Clear answers and smart advice for your baby's first vear

PARENT 649.122 Brown





The Homegrown Preschooler: teaching your kids in the places they live

PARENT 649.68 Lee

The Collapse of Parenting: How we hurt our kids when we treat them like grownups: the three things you must do to help your child or teen become a fulfilled adult



306.874 Sax



Show Me a Story!: Why pitcture books matter: conversations with 21 of the world's most celebrated illustrators

741.642 Show

Music Picks



Owl Singalong by Raffi

J CD 781.58 Raffi



How Great Can This Be by Lori **Henriques** J CD 781.58 Henrique



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OUTREACH SERVICES

- Rotating book program (Children Are Reading Everywhere program)
- Early literacy presentations and training
- Special library tours and storytime
- Special bookmobile visits

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Spring Rhyme

My Garden Fingerplay

This is my garden, (one palm facing up)



I'll rake with care. ("rake" palm with other hand)

Here are some flower seeds, (pretend to put seeds in palm)

I'll plant in there.

The sun will shine, (make circle above head)

The rain will fall. (make rain trickle down in front of you with both hands)

My plant will grow big and tall! (with palms together, raise hands up and slowly separate palms)

Spanish rhyme—Cinco Pollitos:

Cinco pollitos My aunt has

Tiene mi tía. five baby chicks.

Uno le salta, One jumps, Otro le pía, one peeps,

Y tres le cántan and three sing

La sinfonía. A chorus.

Early Literacy Activity

April is National Poetry Month. Teach kids about rhyming words through songs, books and games.

- Sing songs such as "Twinkle
 Twinkle Little Star". Talk about the
 rhyming words in the song and have
 your child sing with you.
- Read rhyming books such as "Jesse Bear, What Will You Wear?" by Nancy Carlstrom several times. Then leave out one of the rhyming words and see if your child can predict the word.
- Play "I Spy with my little eye..." with rhyming sounds so that kids have to guess the object that rhymes with the sound or word. Example: I spy with my little eye something furry and stripy, and it rhymes with mat. What is it?" A "cat"!
- Encourage kids to create their own poems and help them make their own poetry book.

What Pet Would You Get?

Not Norman—E Bennett, Kelly Fran's Friend—E Bruce, Lisa



Dear Zoo—E Campbell, Rod

Melvin and the Boy— E Castillo, Lauren

Guinea Pigs Add Up—E Cuyler, Margerie

Little Grunt and the Big Egg—
E De Paola, Tomie

What Pet to Get?— E Dodd, Emma

This Orq—E Elliot, David

Peek-a-Boo Pets—E Ferri, Francesca



I Spy Pets—E Gibbs, Edward

I Have a Pet—E Halpern, Shari



My Chincoteague Pony—E Jeffers, Susan Pet Show—E Keats, Ezra

My Cat Copies Me—E Kwon, Yoon

While We Were Out— E Lee, Ho

Strictly No Elephants—E Mantchev,
Lisa

Widget—E McFarland, Lynn
Be Gentle—E Miller, Virginia

I Wanna Iguana—E Orloff, Karen Memoirs of a Hamster—E Scillina, Devin



Silly Doggy— E Stower, Adam

Wanted, the Perfect Pet—E Roberton, Fiona

Jacob O'Reiley Wants a Pet—E Rickards, Lynne



If I Had a Gryphon— E Vansickle, Vikki

Melissa's Octopus and Other Unsuitable Pets—E Voake, Charlotte

The Pigeon Wants a Puppy—E Willems, Mo



Early Readers

A Fish Out-of-Water—E-R Paler, Helen

The Little Rabbit—E-R Dunn, Judy

If I Had a Snake—E-R McGuire, Leslie

Remember to look at <u>non-fiction</u> <u>books</u> as well. Need help? Ask us!