



Spring 2013 Early Literacy Newsletter

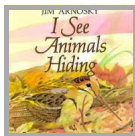
WHO'S HIDING?

As spring comes upon us (hopefully sooner than later!), children may delight in finding all sorts of tiny creatures hidden around gardens and parks. Find out what animals are experts at playing peek-a-boo, camouflaging themselves.

Take a look.

I See Animals Hiding—

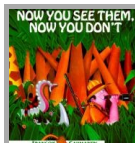
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Summer Coat, Winter Coat—E Boyle, Doe

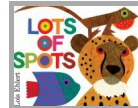
Now You See Them, Now You Don't—

E Caumart, Francoise



Clara Caterpillar—
E Edwards, Pamela

Lots of Dots—
E Ehler, Lois



How to Hide a Butterfly—

E Heller, Ruth



How to Hide an Octopus—

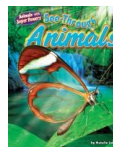
E Heller, Ruth

Twilight Hunt—
E Oliver, Narelle



Whose Hiding Here—E Yoshi

Now You See Me—J 591 Rabe

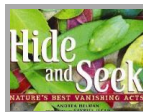


See Through Animals—

J 591.472 Lunis

Hide and Seek: Nature's best vanishing acts—

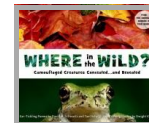
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Animal Disguises—
J 591.472 Ryan



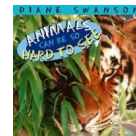
Where in the Wild?—
J 591.472 Schwartz



Why Are Animals Yellow?—J 591.472 Stewart



Animals Can be So Hard to See—
J 591.472 Swanson



Color Changing Animals—
J 591.472 Yaw



Can You Find Us?—E-R Holmes, Anita

Early Literacy Tip

Create your own silly rhyme for National Poetry Month. (April)

Rhyming helps children hear the smaller sounds in words, which is an important early literacy skill leading to the ability to read. Have fun singing nursery rhymes, reading rhyming picture books, riddle books, poetry, and coming up with rhyming words.

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Staff Favorites

Curtis' Pick:



Archie by Domenica Gordon

Dana's Pick:



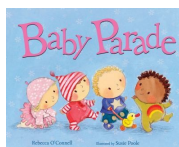
The Perfect Hug by Joanna Walsh

Heidi's Pick:



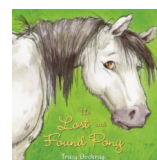
Love You When.. by Linda Krantz

Kristin's Pick:



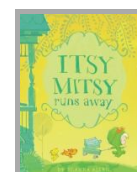
Baby Parade by Rebecca O'Connell

Peik-Kuan's Pick:



The Lost and Found Pony by Tracy Dockray

Robin's Pick:



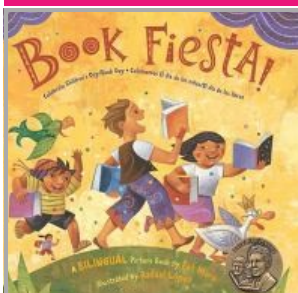
Itsy Mitsy Runs Away by Elanna Allen

Ruth Rose's Pick:



Big Hugs, Little Hugs by Felicia Bond

El día de los niños / El día de los libros = Children's Day / Book Day



Book Fiesta!
By Pat Mora

El día de los niños, el día de los libros 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 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 which a language other than English is spoken. By honoring these languages, we celebrate our linguistic and cultural wealth."

April 30th 2013

3:30 pm

Pan flute making workshop
(preregistration required—starting April 15th, please call 541-766-7694)

4:15 pm

Aztec music program for all ages



PRESENTED BY
OREGON ARTIST
SAMUEL BECERRA

Learning a Foreign Language—start them young by Ruth Rose Hennessey

Why should your child learn a foreign language?

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.)

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

SPECIAL FEATURE

Little Pim

Features educational DVDs with unique, child-friendly themes, which combines animated and live-action videos. The videos are segmented into 5-minute episodes to accommodate a young child's attention span. Simple sentences are broken down into easy-to-understand parts and reinforced through repetition by native speakers. (website description)



Muzzy

Developed by the BBC, this system uses a "see and say, listen and learn" method that patterns the way children learn their first language. It features a unique multimedia mix of stories on DVD, songs and interactive games. (website description)



Mostly English, with some Spanish words...

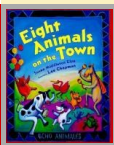
Our library offers children's books that are mostly written in English, with some Spanish vocabulary words interspersed in the text. Most of these are located in the juvenile picture book section. Here are some to check out:

Little Mamá Forgets—E Cruise, Robin

Mamá and Me—E Dorros, Arthur

Oh No, Gotta Go—E Elya, Susan

Sophie's Trophy—E Elya, Susan



Eight Animals on the Town—E Elya, Susan

Bebe Goes Shopping—E Elya, Susan

The Fabulous Firework Family—E Flora, James

On Ramon's Farm: Five tales of Mexico—E Geelin, Campbell



Bread is for Eating—

E Gershat, David

Tito, The Firefighter =

Tito, El Bombero—

E Hoppey, Tim

Uno, Dos Tres—E Mora, Pat

Just in Case: A Trickster tale and Spanish Alphabet book—E Morales, Yuyi



Los Gatos Black on Halloween—E Montes, Marisa

Marimba! Animales from

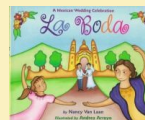
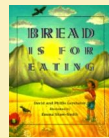
A to Z—E Mora, Pat

Count on Culebra: Go from 1 to 10 in Spanish—E Paul, Ann

Dora's Costume Party!

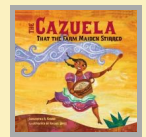
- E Ricci, Christin

La Boda: A Mexican wedding celebration—E Van Laa,



Nancy

The Cazuela that the Farm Maiden Stirred—E Vamos, Samantha



Before You Were

Here, Mi Amor—E Vamos, Samantha

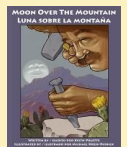


Counting Ovejas—Espanol E Weeks, Sarah

Isabel and the Hungry Coyote—Espanol J 398.2

Polette

Moon Over the Mountain—J 398.2 Pollette



Looking for more?

In the juvenile Español collection, there are bilingual books written in Spanish and English, with the English text reflecting the Spanish content. Please ask a friendly librarian for assistance in locating them.

WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD—SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK

The Week of the Young Child™ is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). "The purpose of the Week of the Young Child™ is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs." (www.naeyc.org/woyc)

The following book suggestions may inspire you to have fun with your child every day of the week!

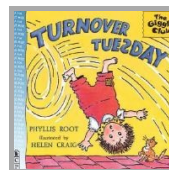
Monday—Bake or cook together, or try a new dish.

Today is Monday—E Carle, Eric



Tuesday—See the world from a different perspective - hanging upside down?

Turnover Tuesday—E Root, Phyllis



Wednesday—Make a special surprise gift - a cupcake in the lunchbox, or a special note.

The Wednesday Surprise—E Bunting, Eve



Thursday—Do something crazy together - dance in the rain, or hide under the bed!

Bright and Early Thursday Evening—E Wood, Audrey



Friday—Go out for a special treat!

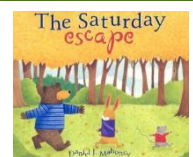
Every Friday—E Yaccarino, Dan



Saturday—

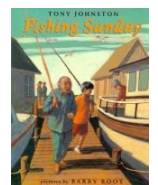
"Escape" to your favorite place - the library perhaps?

The Saturday Escape—E Mahoney, Daniel



Sunday—Tell stories from your childhood, share memories from old photos.

Fishing Sunday—E Johnston, Tony



MOTHER GOOSE ASKS WHY?

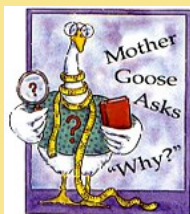
April 11th 2013, 10 a.m.

Theme: Can Do!

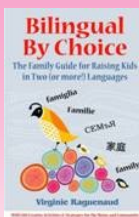
Storytime Room at the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library.

Interactive program integrating literature and science for preschool age children and their families.

Come join the fun!



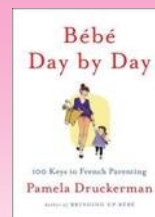
Parenting Picks



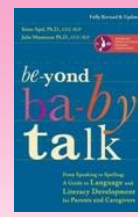
Bilingual By Choice
404.2083
Raguena



Peaceful Parent, Happy Kids
Parent 649.1
Markham



Bébé Day by Day: 100 Keys to French Parenting
649.10944
Druckerm



Beyond Ba-by Talk
401.93 Apel

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Music Picks



Blue Clouds by
Elizabeth
Mitchell and You
Are My Flower
J 781.58
Mitchell

Anna and the Cupcakes by
Bari Koral Family
Rock Band
J 781.58 Bari

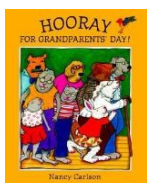
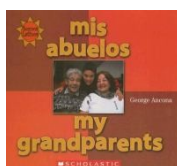


HOORAY FOR GRANDPARENTS!



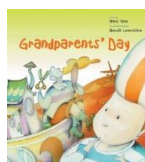
Grandparents: a Global Album—
J 306.8745 AJMERA

Mis Abuelos = My Granparents—Espanol
J 305.868 ANCONA

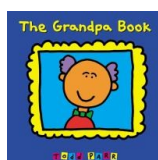


Hooray for Grandparent's Day—
E Carlson, Nancy

Granparents Day—
E Tate, Nikki

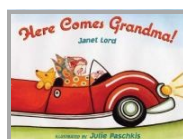
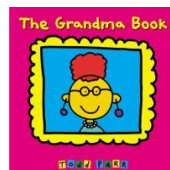


Halmoni's Day—
E Bercaw, Edna



The Grandpa Book—
E Parr, Todd

The Grandma Book—
E Parr, Todd



Here Comes Grandma—
E Lord, Janet

Grandpa Loves—
E Dotlich, Rebecca



For more books:
A search in the library's catalog (www.cbcppl.net) for "grandma" or "grandpa" or "grandmother" or "grandfather" will yield many results.

If you are a grandparent raising grandchildren:

Raising Your Children's Children : Help for grandparents raising grandkids—248.845 Sparks

Sometimes It's Grandmas and Grandpas, Not Mommies and Daddies—E Byrne, Gayle

Websites:

US Department of Health and Human Services—
www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/supporting/resources/grandparents.cfm

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren—
www.raisingyourgrandchildren.com

AARP Grandfamilies Guide —
<http://tinyurl.com/79y24zh>