Family Literacy Day: January 27, 2024

Saturday, January 27 is Family Literacy Day. Across Canada families are being encouraged to celebrate by taking part in activities to promote literacy. Taking time every day to read or do a learning activity with children is crucial to a child's development. Even just 15 minutes a day can improve a child's literacy skills dramatically.

Please see the link below for more ideas... http://abclifeliteracy.ca/fld/family-literacy-day

Over the next week, mark X's in the boxes of the activities you and your parent/guardian complete together. An Extra challenge: Can you fill the whole card? Have fun!

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Read a book together	Do a crossword puzzle or word search together	Work on homework together	Draw a picture together and write about it	Read a recipe and cook together
Go to the library together	Read a magazine together	Write and illustrate your own mini-book	Do a jigsaw puzzle together	Watch TV or videos together and talk about the story
Play a word or guessing game, like "I Spy"	Write a letter or email together	Tell a family story	Talk about each other's day	Read online together <u>www.uniteforli</u> <u>teracy.com</u>
Listen to the radio together	Play a board game together	Follow instructions to make a craft together	Make a shopping list together	Create a comic strip about your family
Invent a new ending for your favourite book	Look at some family pictures together or draw your family	Tell each other a "knock-knock" joke	Read a poem or sing a song out loud	Act out part of a play or make believe together

Bonus: Join a Family Literacy Day Event at a Hamilton Public Library branch: <u>Events</u> - Hamilton Public Library (hpl.ca)

Are you looking for a way to keep your child reading at home?

Do you have a Hamilton Public Library Card? If not sign up for free here: <u>Discover</u> the Power of a HPL Card | HPL

With your free Hamilton Public Library card you can access a world of free eBooks, magazines and audiobooks from the comfort of your home with the Libby app. Looking for more information here is a Getting Started with Libby video: Getting started with Libby (libbyapp.com)

There are just a few quick steps:

- 1. Download the Libby app (free from google play, Apple App Store or wherever you get your apps) to your device of choice (e.g. phone, tablet, computer, etc.)
- 2. Find your Library (Hamilton Public Library)
- 3. Input your Library Card number and then your password is the last 4 digits of the phone number you used to sign up for your library card.
 - Download and open Libby on your device.





- 2 Find your library and sign in with your library card.
- 3 Browse or search to discover your next favorite book or audiobook.
- 4 Start reading & listening!

Or check out the Hamilton Public Library Family Literacy in person- <u>Events</u> - <u>Hamilton Public Library (hpl.ca)</u>

