

THE WCR LEARNING COMMUNITY

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Dress up like your favourite characters.
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Family literacy 📖

Taking time every day to read or do a learning activity with children is important. Children learn and develop

through fun family activities that include reading and learning.

For the entire month of January, families in BC are encouraged to learn together.

Learn about the importance of reading and doing other literacy-related activities as a family. Even just 15 minutes a day can improve a child's literacy skills.

Parents will improve their skills at the same time.



Draw a picture.
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Communities in BC host informal learning events in community centres, schools, and libraries. Events include

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story-telling, face painting, belly dancing, magic shows, and displays.

On January 27, we celebrate literacy on Family Literacy Day. Family Literacy Day is a time to raise awareness about literacy. ABC Life Literacy Canada started the idea in 1999.

Family Literacy Day is held on January 27 every year.



Snuggle up and read.
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Links

Go to *The Westcoast Reader* website for links to more information and videos.

www.thewestcoastreader.com

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15 minutes of fun

Learning can happen at any time. Practicing literacy together every day will benefit children and parents. Try some of the activities listed below with your family.

1. Write a joke book with your family.
2. Read a bedtime story to the grown-up putting you to bed.
3. Make up a new recipe together and post it online.
4. Tell knock-knock jokes together while doing the dishes.
5. Organize a book swap at your school.
6. Make up riddles and tell them to your friends.
7. Create a family book club.
8. Build a drum with your family.
9. Surf the Internet and learn about your favourite animal.
10. Make up a song about your day to sing to your family at dinnertime.
11. Write messages to your family on sticky notes and post them around the house.
12. Create a story about what you will be doing for Family Literacy Day.
13. Play a board game together.