

Literacy Hint:

Have books in

every room, in

the car, and in the diaper bag, You

can catch little

time when you

and your child can

enjoy sharing

books.

Book Buddies

to use these "Book Buddies" with your children at home.

Theme: Fall Frolics

Some stories to share:

The Nutty Nut Chase by Kathryn White Lucky Leaf by Kevin O'Malley

Finger play-Ten Red Apples

Ten Red apples growing on a tree, (hold hands up high) Five for you and five for me. (shake one hand, then the other.) Help me shake the tree just so, (shake whole body.) And ten red apples down below. (lower hands while fluttering fingers.) One, two, three, four, five, (count fingers on one hand.) Six. Seven, eight, nine, ten. (Count fingers on opposite hand.)



Cut out felt shapes representing a large tree and six small, round apples. Place the felt tree in the center of a flannel board. Using scraps of paper numbered from 0 to 5, let each of your children have a turn picking a card from the deck. Have the child name the number on the chosen card. and then place that amount of apples on the tree. Shuffle the cards between turns.





Leaf Matching

Find five large leaves in good condition. Trace around each leaf on a separate sheet of paper. Give your child the leaves and the papers and have him or her try to match the real leaf to the leaf tracing.

What Do You See?

Cut out simple magazine pictures of fall objects such as a pumpkin, a cornstalk, a full moon, a hay stalk and colorful autumn leaves. Choose a child to be the scarecrow. Recite the first two lines of the following poem, Stop and hold up one of the pictures. Ask the scarecrow to name the object. Then have all the children recite the last two lines of the poem, inserting the name of the object where indicated. Repeat until each child has had a turn being the scarecrow.

Scarecrow, scarecrow, What do you see, Alone at night By the old oak tree? (Name of object), (name of object), That's what (he/she) sees. Alone at night

By the old, oak tree.

Johnny Appleseed

Have your child spread peanut butter thinly over warm pieces of toast. Spoon a tablespoon of applesauce in the center of each toast slice. Sprinkle cinnamon and sesame seeds on top.



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