DIY STORYTIME



THEME: TRAINS

Here are some ideas and activities to try this week with your child. These five practices are designed to help your child develop literacy skills, engage your child, and enhance the bonds between you.



READ

Shark Vs. Train by Chris Barton
Stanley's Train by William Bee
Two Little Trains by Margaret Wise Brown
Freight Train by Donald Crews
All aboard the Moonlight Train by Kristyn
Crow

<u>Snakes on a Train by Kathryn Dennis</u>

<u>Trains Run! by George Ella Lyon and Benn</u>

<u>Lyon</u>

<u>Steam Train, Dream Train by Sherri Duskey</u> Rinker

All aboard! by Sonia Sander

Trucker and Train by Hannah Stark

I Love Trains! by Philemon Sturges

PLAY

Play a train memory game! Print and cut out the train cars on the following pages. Shuffle all of the cards and place them facedown on the floor. Players take turns choosing two cards at a time (trying to find two cards that are exactly the same). Play until all the matching pairs have been found. For younger players, place all the cards face up and work together to find the matching pairs.

SING

The Wheels On the Train

Sung to the tune of "The Wheels on the Bus"

The wheels on the train go clickety-clack, Clickety-clack, clickety-clack.

The wheels on the train go clickety-clack,
All along the track!
(Roll both fists forward in a circular motion)

The station master shouts "All aboard!"... (Raise hands to mouth in a shouting motion)

The whistle on the train goes "Choo-choo-choo!"... (Pull one arm down in a honking motion)

TALK

Talk about your experiences with trains. Have you ever seen one before? Have you ever ridden one? If so, how did it feel when it's moving? Have you ever thought about what it's like to be a train conductor?

WRITE

Draw a train track on a piece of paper and then follow the track with a toy train, car, or anything else with wheels.



