TALK, READ, PLAY: SPRING

B-2 years old

Try these ideas with your infant or toddler!

Talk

Use these words throughout the day: sunny, rainy, flower, tree

Ask simple questions to infants and toddlers like: What noise does the bird make? What do you see outside?

Read

Read books or tell stories about spring time.

Play

Sing and dance to these spring songs!

-Spring Is Here
-Caterpillar Crawled
-Rain Rain Go Away!
Spring is Here:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DobrRgD5aOU

Spring is here, spring is here
How do you think I know?
I just saw a bluebird that is how I know
Spring is here, spring is here
How do you think we know?
We just saw a bluebird that is how we know
Do the bird walk and strut your thing
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Do the bird walk, do anything
And look around, look around for another sign of spring.
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Continue verses swamping out spring bugs and animals for ladybug, butterfly, frog jump
Try these activities with your preschooler!

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Use new words with your child and encourage your child to use them too:
- **bloom**- to change or grow
- **variety**- all different kinds
- **spring**- one of the four seasons, when the weather becomes warm

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- How do you know it’s springtime?

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**3-5 year olds**

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