



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
August 31 Word of the Week is: Lesson “My teacher taught us a lesson about frogs.”	1 READ First day around the world by Ibi Zoboi	2 WRITE or draw a list of things you want to learn in school this year.	3 SING The ABC song.	4 PLAY Get friends or stuffed toys and play school.	5 TALK with a grownup about what school was like when they were your age.	6 Ask a friend or grown-up to teach you something - how to play a game, cook, or make a craft.
7 Word of the Week is: Patient Being patient means waiting, without whining or complaining.	8 READ Light the sky, firefly by Sheri Mabry	9 WRITE Draw pictures of a firefly’s life cycle.	10 SING “Fireflies” by Laurie Berkner	11 PLAY Pretend you are waiting to change like the firefly in the story. How long can you sit still?	12 TALK Go on a walk and look for fireflies and other insects. Talk about what you see.	13 Find a place in your yard or neighborhood where leaves can stay for fireflies to overwinter. Put up a sign.
14 Word of the Week is: Teal Teal is a blue-green color. What other fancy color words do you know?	15 READ Wake up, color pup by Taia Morley	16 WRITE Use markers or crayons to draw a rainbow.	17 SING “De Colores” with Canticos	18 PLAY with colored blocks. Stack and sort them by color.	19 TALK Go on a walk and identify all the colors you see.	20 Make rainbows out of toys, art materials, or other things you have around the house.
21 Word of the Week is: Flood When there is a lot of water, there is a flood.	22 READ Noah builds an ark by Kate Banks	23 WRITE Draw a picture of your ark. What would you build it out of? Who would use it?	24 SING “Who built the ark?” By Raffi	25 PLAY with water in a sink or bathtub.	26 TALK about what you do in the rain. What do animals do in the rain? What would you do in a flood?	27 Build a boat out of recyclables, popsicle sticks, or bottles. Test it in the water and put some toys in to float.
28 Word of the Week is: Map A map is a guide. There are many different kinds of maps.	29 READ Mapping Sam by Joyce Hesselberth	30 WRITE Draw a map of somewhere familiar; your neighborhood, school, or home.	Oct 1 SING “Me on the map” by Brady Rymer from Press Play	Oct 2 PLAY Follow the map you drew. Where does it take you?	Oct 3 TALK about different kinds of maps. How many can you find at home, school, or the library?	Oct 4 Make a map of your day, using Mapping my day by Julie Dillemoth

Practicing early literacy doesn’t need worksheets, homework, or a lot of time. These basic skills, which help kids learn to read, write, and be successful later on, can be incorporated in everything you do. When you are driving in the car, sing a song together. When you are at the grocery store, read the labels out loud. Encourage free play at preschool and at home.