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<td>Talk about how you feel today. Ask the question “What made you happy?”</td>
<td>Read a book you love.</td>
<td>Sing and clap the Alphabet song. Try singing the alphabet to different tunes</td>
<td>Go on an outside scavenger hunt. Bring a list and check off the things you see.</td>
<td>Ask your child what their favourite sounds are at different times of day.</td>
<td>Read a book about Mothers. The library can help you find one!</td>
<td>Sing the ABC’s like you’re a ghost (Aahh, Bee, Cee etc)</td>
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<td>Gather plastic items such as a plastic bottle, a cup, a bag and a toy. How are they the same? How are they different?</td>
<td>Have your child count different objects around the house such as toys, books, or clothes.</td>
<td>Get caught reading a book. Show your child reading is important to you.</td>
<td>Sing “Heads, shoulders, knees and toes” and do the motions</td>
<td>Help your child to arrange their favourite toys in order from shortest to tallest.</td>
<td>Share a special photo with your child. Talk about all the things you can both see in the photo.</td>
<td>Read a wordless picture book together. Have your child make up the words to the story.</td>
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<td>Sing “Rain, Rain Go Away” (Words are on the back)</td>
<td>Give your child bowls and a wooden spoon to “make dinner” as you’re making dinner.</td>
<td>Look up at the sky tonight. Can you see the moon? If you can, talk about what shape it is.</td>
<td>Hold your child in your lap and point to the words in a simple picture book as you read them.</td>
<td>Sing a familiar song very slowly, then sing it faster than usual.</td>
<td>Play lays the foundation for literacy. Children practice sounds and new words as they play.</td>
<td>Look at your collection of books at home or the library. Ask your child which they would like to read. Talk about their choice.</td>
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<td>When you’re reading a story together, pause when something is about to happen and say, “I wonder what’s going to happen next.”</td>
<td>Play a recording of your favourite song and sing along at the top of your lungs!</td>
<td>Play a question game. Ask your child where your toes are, where is your nose etc.</td>
<td>Today is Wednesday. Talk about the days of the week. What does your family do on each day?</td>
<td>Read a recipe and make something delicious together, name the tools you use as you cook together.</td>
<td>Sing “Row, Row your boat” (Words are on the back) Make a boat with your washing basket.</td>
<td>Make a paper placemat for each family member. Use them at dinner time!</td>
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Row, row, row your boat
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First 5 Forever Tip

Tell each other ‘Knock Knock’ jokes. Being playful with words is a fun way to learn about language and your child will love laughing with you!

For more First 5 Forever tips and activities visit: slq.qld.gov.au/first5forever

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Rain, rain go away
Come again another day
Daddy wants to play
Rain, rain go away
Rain, rain, go away
Come again another day
Mommy wants to play
Rain, rain go away
Rain, rain, go away
Come again another day
Brother wants to play
Rain, rain go away
Rain, rain, go away
Come again another day...