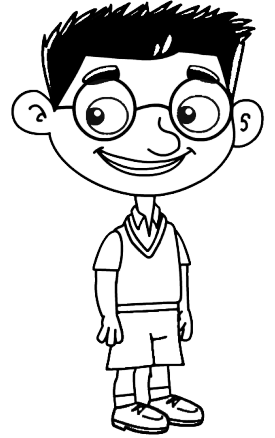


FUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE HOME



Wake Up Greeting

Waking up in the morning and greeting your child is one of the most important ways of ensuring that she wakes up with a smile and is ready to begin the day. One of the joys in life is to wake up each day knowing that someone cares about you. Say, "Good morning! Rise and shine."



Greeting Neighbors

Take a walk through the neighborhood with your child and greet neighbors you meet along the way. Have your child watch and listen to you first and then invite him to greet the neighbors appropriately depending on the time of day (good morning, good afternoon, good evening, and good night).



Describe the Surroundings

On a day that you and your child are not rushing to go somewhere, spend the time and describe what you see when she wakes up. For example, you can say, "It's morning! Take a look outside of the window. The sun is shining and you can feel the heat of the sun radiating through the window. Look! There are robins. Listen to the birds. They are chirping. Can you point to the robins?" Provide opportunities to talk to your child throughout the day. In this way they will be exposed to lots of language and have the opportunity to learn and practice new words.



RESOURCES

Books to read aloud:

- *Goodnight Moon* by Margaret Wise Brown
<http://www.amazon.com/Goodnight-Moon-Margaret-Wise-Brown/dp/0694003611>
- *Good Morning, Good Night* by Michael Grejniec (bilingual)
<http://www.amazon.com/Good-Morning-Night-Michael-Grejniec/dp/1558587047>
- *Greetings, Sun* by Phillis & David Gershator
<http://qershator.com/phillis/phillis-greetingssun.html>
- *Hello Baby!* by Mem Fox and Steve Jenkins
<http://www.amazon.com/Hello-Baby-Mem-Fox/dp/1416985131>
- *Hello Harvest Moon* by Ralph Fletcher & Kate Kiesler
<http://www.houghtonmifflinbooks.com/catalog/titledetail.cfm?titleNumber=111136>
- *Hello Night /Hola noche* by Amy Costales & Mercedes McDonald
<http://www.amazon.com/Hello-Night-Hola-Noche-Costales/dp/0873589270>
- *Hello Ocean* by Pam Muñoz Ryan & Mark Astrella
<http://www.amazon.com/Hello-Ocean-Pam-Munoz-Ryan/dp/0881069884>
- *Jambo Means Hello: Swahili Alphabet book* by Muriel & Tom Feelings
<http://www.amazon.com/Jambo-Means-Hello-Swahili-Alphabet/dp/0140546529>
- *Liam Says "Hi": Learning to Greet a Friend* by Jane Whelem Banks
<http://www.jkp.com/catalogue/book/9781843109013>
- *One Light, One Sun* – Raffi Songs to Read
<http://www.amazon.com/One-Light-Raffi-Songs-Read/dp/0517576449>

