

## Enjoy spring with outdoor literacy activities



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### Fun ways to move literacy learning outdoors

Spring is here, and the outside is calling! More time outdoors doesn't have to mean less time for literacy, though – read on for fun outdoor activities that will help build your child's reading skills.

**Alphabet sidewalk chalk:** Write the alphabet outside with sidewalk chalk and ask your child to spell their name by running to the letters. Tell them how to spell some other easy words and let them run, skip, or hop to all the letters.

**Scavenger hunt:** Learn the letter blends: tr, sw, st, sp, sn, sm, sl, sc, pl, gr, fl,

dr, cr, cl, br, and bl. Give your child a piece of paper with one blend written on it. Have them say the sound the blend makes. Give your child a bag and five minutes to find objects that start with the blend (give clues as needed!). When time is up, review the objects and give a point for each item found.

[ReadingCheckup.org](https://www.readingcheckup.org) has lots more activities like these, all geared toward your child's current reading level and needs. Get started with two short quizzes, and then you'll get results and activities tailored to your child.

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## Registration now open for free Pre-K

Pre-K can help children be ready to learn to read when they start kindergarten, and Mecklenburg County has a free program open to all age-eligible children residing in the county.

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is now open for MECK Pre-K, which was launched four years ago to provide high-quality, free Pre-K to Mecklenburg County children. All children residing in the county who will be four years old on or before August 31 are eligible.

The program is offered in four- and five-star child care centers across the county. There are 1,890 seats for the next school year, so visit [meckprek.org](https://meckprek.org) today to apply!

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