

Perry Public Library Storytime

I love my Mama!



Stories we shared:

Is Your Mama a Llama? by Deborah Guarino

I love My Mommy / Sebastien Braun

More stories to share:

What Moms Can't Do: by Douglas Wood

Special Delivery: by Brigitte Weninger

I love My Mommy / Sebastien Braun

Owl Babies / Martin Waddell

Harriet You'll Drive Me Wild / Mem Fox

I Love You Stinky Face / Lisa McCourt

Mommy's Hands / Kathryn Lasky

This Quiet Lady / Charlotte Zolotow

The Big Big Sea / Martin Waddell

I Love You Mama / Nancy Carlstrom

When Mama Comes Home Tonight / Eileen Spinelli

I Love You the Purplest / Barbara Joose

Jonathan and His Mommy / Irene Smalls-Hector

Our Mother's Day Book / Jane Moncure

Something for Mother / Laura Alden

Mother's Day Mice / Eve Bunting

Happy Mother's Day / Steven Kroll

I Can Be A Mother / Christine Fitz-Gerald

It's Just Me, Emily / Anna Hines

My Working Mom / Peter Glassman

Mommy's Office / Barbara Hazen

The Moon Was the Best / Charlotte Zolotow

Into the Night / Deborah Heiligman

Monster Mama / Liz Rosenberg

Mom's Home! / Jan Ormerod

Mama Coming and Going / Judith Caseley

I Love You as Much / Laura Melmed

I Love You Little One / Nancy Tafuri

What did mommy do before you? / Abby Levine

Mama's Little Bears: by Nancy Tafuri

Llama Llama red pajama / Anna Dewdney

Where is my Mommy / Julie Downing

Mama if You Had a Wish: by Jeanne Modesitt

Does a Kangaroo Have a Mother Too? / Eric Carle

Mommys are for counting stars / Harriet Ziefert

On Mother's Lap / Ann Herbert Scott

A Present for Mom / Vivian French

My Mom is Fantastic / Nick Butterworth

I Love My Mommy Because / Laurel Porter-Gaylord

How Many Kisses Goodnight / Jean Monrad

The Big Green Pocketbook / Candice Ransom

Where do Little Girls Grow? / Milly Limer

Tucking Mommy in / Morag Loh

Mama one, mama two / Patricia Machlachlan

Big World Small World / Jeanne Titherington

My Mother's Getting Married / Joan Drescher

Laura Charlotte / Kathryn Galbraith

My Mama Had a Dancing Heart / Libba Gray

In My Mother's Garden / Melissa Madenski

Will There Be A Lap for Me? / Dorothy Corey

Froggy Learns to Swim / Jonathan London

Bunny My Honey / Anita Jeram

My Mama Needs Me / Mildred Walter

If You Were My Bunny / Kate McMullan

Someday said Mitchell / Barbara Williams

My mom Travels A lot / Caroline Bauer

Hazel's Amazing Mother / Rosemary Wells



Early Literacy Extras:

- ✓ Talk about the word "mother" sound out the different parts of the word "mo-ther" – say them separately and then together again, first slowly and then faster. Clap once for each syllable of the word. Try it also for mama, mommy, grandma, nana, or grammy.
- ✓ Help your child think of words that rhyme with "mama" like "llama, and pajama" – make up silly rhymes with these words.
- ✓ Help your child find things that start with the "M"- "muh" sound (mouse, music, money) all around the house.
- ✓ When you read together, let your child hold the book and turn the pages – this is a great time to sneak in extra snuggles!
- ✓ Look at old family photos and talk about all of the special and important women in your family tree. Tell stories about you and your mother when you were a child.
- ✓ The sense of rhythm obtained from listening to songs and rhymes will help your child to identify patterns, like rhyming words, which will help them learn to read. Because songs automatically break down words into smaller sounds through tones, singing with your child is one of the best ways develop early literacy skills. Try the songs and rhymes on the following pages.

Songs & Rhymes to share:

The (New) Old Woman

There was an old woman
 who lived in a shoe
She had so many children
 she knew just what to do
She gave them some broth
 and a big slice of bread
Kissed them all soundly
 and tucked them in bed

Mommy's Baby

(Sing to "Someone's in the Kitchen with Dinah")

Mommy's little baby is _____
Cutest little baby I know-o-o-ow _____
And she loves him / her so!
- or -
Mommy's big boy / girl is _____
Greatest big boy/ girl I know-o-o-ow....

Moms are Best

Teddy bears are nice to clutch
To hold, to feel, to love, to touch
 (pretend to hug and pet toy bear)
But mommies are the best of all
To hug and kiss when you are small
 (give a big hug and kiss)

Dear Mommy

You sew the buttons on my clothes
You have a hankie for my nose
You make good things for me to eat
If I am good I get a treat
You wash my clothes and mend my socks
Dear Mommy, I love you lots and lots!

I Am Lucky

I must have been born
Beneath a lucky star
To have a mother
As nice as you are!

Mother's Day Song

(Tune: You Are My Sunshine)

I love you mommy
My dearest mommy.
You make me happy
when I am sad.
I want to show you
How much I love you.
Here's a hug
For Mother's Day!

Mommy's Hands

Mommy's hands are soft and warm
 (gently rub hands together)
To tuck me in at night
 (pretend to tuck in blankets)
Mommy's arms are kind and firm
 (spread arms wide)
To hug me snug and tight
 (give a big hug)

Come-A-Look-A-See *(wiggle fingers)*

Come-a-look-a-see here's my mama *(thumb)*
Come-a-look-a-see here's my papa *(pointer)*
Come-a-look-a-see brother tall *(middle)*
Sister, baby *(ring finger, pinky)*
We love them all! *(weave fingers together)*
 (kiss hands)

In Mommy's Lap

I love to snuggle in Mommy's lap
And squeeze her tight like this
 (hug self)
I love to tell her, "I love you"
With a great big kiss
 (blow a kiss)

My Mom's a Special Lady

My Mom's a special lady,
I hug her every day.
She gives me lots of food to eat,
And takes me out to play.
My mommy reads me stories,
And ties my sneakers too.
I am just so very glad
My mama loves me so

M-O-T-H-

E-R

"M" is for the million things she gave me,

"O" means only that she's growing old,

"T" is for the tears she shed to save me,

"H" is for her heart of purest gold;

"E" is for her eyes, with love-light shining,

"R" means right, and right she'll always be,

Put them all together, they spell **"MOTHER,"**

A word that means the world to me.

By Howard Johnson (c. 1915)