



BOOKS TO READ!

Pinkalicious by Victoria Kann

Purplicious by Victoria Kann

Blue Hat, Green Hat by Sandra Boynton

Seven Blind Mice by Ed Young

Andy Warhol's Colors by Susan Goldman Rubin

Lemons Are Not Red by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

My Many Colored Days by Dr. Seuss

My Colors/Mis colores by Rebecca Emberley

My Colors, My World/Mis colores, mi mundo
by Maya Christina Gonzalez

Mouse Paint by Ellen Stoll Walsh

Little Blue and Little Yellow by Leo Lionni

The Crayon Box That Talked by Shane Derolf

Freight Train by Donald Crews

All the Colors of the Earth by Sheila Hamanaka

Butterfly Butterfly: A Book of Colors by Petr Horacek

Little Green by Keith Baker

A Color of His Own by Leo Lionni

How Do Dinosaurs Learn Their Colors? by Jane Yolen

Why Is Blue Dog Blue? by George Rodrigue

Vincent's Colors by Vincent van Gogh
and The Metropolitan Museum of Art

Luka's Quilt by Georgia Guback

Carlo Likes Colors by Jessica Spanyol

The Deep Blue Sea: A Book Of Colors
by Audrey Wood and Bruce Wood

Red Is a Dragon: A Book of Colors
by Roseanne Thong and Grace Lin

The Pink House by Kate Salley Palmer

Warthogs Paint: A Messy Color Book
by Pamela Duncan Edwards and Henry Cole

A Piece of Chalk
by Jennifer A. Ericsson and Michelle Shapiro

Orange Pear Apple Bear by Emily Gravett

Blue Goose by Nancy Tafuri

Leon the Chameleon by Melanie Watt


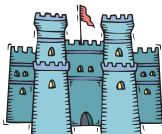



The Little Green Island with a Little Red House
by Sharon Lovejoy

Black History Month

To commemorate and celebrate the contributions to our nation made by people of African descent, February is celebrated as Black History Month. This tribute dates back to 1926 and is credited to a Harvard scholar named Carter G. Woodson who initiated "Negro History Week" during the second week of February. The son of former slaves, Woodson dedicated his life to ensuring that black history was accurately documented and the contributions of black Americans highlighted. The week was extended to a month of observance during the bicentennial year.

February: Colors

Thirty days hath September, April, June, and November;
Thirty-one the others date, excepting February, twenty-eight;
But in leap year we assign, February, twenty-nine.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>Sundays are rainbow days</div> <div>Sing the <i>Finding Colors</i> song. At the end of each verse, see what you can find of that color.</div> <div></div>	<div>Today's color is orange</div> <div>Name as many fruits and their colors as you can. Start with orange!</div> <div>Start collecting buttons if you can and use them for your crafts at the end of the month!</div>	<div>Each day has a color. Point that color out to your child and then look for that color during the day.</div>	<div>The color of the day is gray</div> <div>Castles are often gray and made of stone. Can you draw a castle and then make up a story about the family that lives in the castle?</div> <div></div>	<div>The color of the day is blue like the sea</div> <div>Sing <i>A Sailor Went to Sea</i> and use hand motions. A sailor went to sea sea sea To see what he could see see see But all that he could see see see Was the bottom of the deep blue sea sea sea.</div>	<div>The colors for today are the colors of the traffic lights: red, yellow, and green!</div> <div>Talk about what the colors mean and how they guide you to cross the street safely. Play Red Light, Green Light.</div>	<div>Today's colors are neon—which are very bright shades</div> <div>Can you think when you might have seen neon colors? Can you make up a rhyme about neon colors? For little ones, try bouncing them on your knees to the rhythm of all the neon colors you can think of!</div>
<div>Make a giant heart for your library or librarian. Take it to them the next time you visit and tell them why you love your library!</div>	<div>Today's color is brown</div> <div>Can you do the <i>Teddy Bear</i> action rhyme? For young ones, try bouncing them up and down and clapping hands.</div>	<div>The color of the day is white</div> <div>Make little snow men out of white cotton balls and practice your counting.</div> <div>What are your favorite things that are white?</div>	<div>Today's color is black</div> <div>Together play the <i>Miss Mary Mack</i> hand rhyme. For young ones, just try clapping hands together.</div>	<div>The colors for today are silver and gold</div> <div>Do you remember the friendship song from December? Sing it together.</div> <div>If you have several people, try singing the song in a round.</div>	<div>Today's color is pink</div> <div>Pigs and piglets are pink. Can you make a paper plate pig family and give them names that start with P?</div> <div></div>	<div>Try and visit the library today!</div> <div>Find as many books with colors as you can.</div> <div>Check out Bill Martin Jr.'s <i>Brown Bear</i>, <i>Brown Bear</i> and Crockett Johnson's <i>Harold and the Purple Crayon</i>. Read them out loud together.</div>
<div>Make Valentine cards together</div> <div>Give them to people in your family or to your friends.</div> <div></div>	<div>The colors of the day are orange and black</div> <div>Can you think of an animal that is orange and black? Give a name to the animal and then tell a story about the animal. If you can, draw a picture to go with your story.</div>	<div>Today you get to pick the color of the day!</div> <div>Point out things with your color. Help your child write their name using their favorite color. Cut it out and hang it up!</div>	<div>Today's color is plum</div> <div>Little Jack Horner Sat in a corner Eating his Christmas pie. He put in his thumb And pulled out a plum And said "what a good boy am I!"</div>	<div>Today's color is tan</div> <div>Think of all the animals that are shades of tan and brown. Read <i>The Happy Hedgehog</i> by EV Rieu.</div> <div></div>	<div>The color of the day is dark green</div> <div>Talk about all the kinds of trees you can think of and what trees do for us. If you can, take a walk outside to see the trees. If you are indoors, try making up a rhyming game for words that have to do with trees.</div>	<div>Today's color is lavender</div> <div>Have you ever smelled a plant called lavender? There is an old song called <i>Lavender's Blue, Dilly Dilly</i>. Ask if anyone knows the song. Sing a few verses together.</div>
<div>Make paint</div> <div>You can use: A sprinkle of drink mix like Kool-Aid and water, or shaving cream, cold cream, or yogurt and food coloring. You can use fingers or brushes and make a rainbow! Talk about when you see a rainbow.</div>	<div>Today's colors are crimson and gold</div> <div>Let's make a baggy fish! Take a brown paper bag and fill it with newspaper. Tie the end of the bag with a twist tie or rubber band. Cut the end part into two fins. Then decorate your fish using crimson and gold.</div>	<div>The color of the day is lime green</div> <div>Talk about all the things that grow! How many are lime green?</div>	<div>Can you make a butterfly out of shades of purple?</div> <div>Try making different shades of purple paint and then paint some butterflies.</div>	<div>The color for the day is navy blue</div> <div>Spend some time looking through magazines or books and seeing all the things that are navy blue. What is your favorite? Talk about why this shade of blue is called navy blue.</div>	<div>Today's color is red</div> <div>Take a walk and collect pine needles or pine straw. When you get back, dip the pine needles in red paint (see ideas at beginning of the week) and use them to paint a picture.</div>	<div>The colors today are black and white</div> <div>Spend time cutting up a newspaper or magazine looking for black and white letters. Glue onto paper or a paper plate for your very own name plate.</div>
<div>Make bubbles with dish soap and water</div> <div>What colors are your bubbles?</div> <div>Sing a song about bubbles while you play in the tub.</div>	<div>Today's color is yellow</div> <div>Think of all the flowers which might be yellow or have yellow in them. Did you know the state flower of South Carolina is a Yellow Jessamine? Have you ever seen one?</div>	<div>Love Your Library Month!</div> <div></div>	<div>Bake for Family Fun Month</div> <div></div>	<div>South Carolina Spotlight: Tom Feelings</div> <div>Tom Feelings was an award-winning visual artist and illustrator of children's books. Originally from New York, he lived around the world including Columbia, SC where he taught Art at the University of South Carolina. It was during that time he published <i>The Middle Passage</i>, one of his most well-known books and the 1996 Coretta Scott King Award winner. In his own words, Feelings said, "When I am asked what kind of work I do, my answer is that I am a storyteller in picture form, who tries to reflect and interpret the lives and experiences of the people who gave me life." You may want to read his Caldecott Honor books — <i>Moja Means One: A Swahili Counting Book</i> and <i>Jambo Means Hello: A Swahili Alphabet Book</i>. Mr. Feelings passed away in 2003.</div>		