

# Literacy Homework Choices

Choose an activity, complete it, and record it on the Math & Literacy Homework Log.

Do two activities each week. Repeat/extend the activities as needed. Most of these activities work best when done with an adult.

1. Say the letters of the alphabet and the sounds they make.
2. Search for this week's "heart" words in books that you have. Tally how many times you find each word.
3. Make a list of words that belong to the same word family. For example -an (tan, man, ran, etc.) Your family can help.
4. Talk about ideas that you can write about at school.
5. Go online to Lexia. (Login information will be sent home for this.)
6. Go online to KidsA-Z. (Login information will be sent home for this.)
7. Take a trip to the library. Check out a book you haven't read before.
8. After reading a book, tell someone the characters in the story, the setting (where it takes place), and what the problem was in the story. Try writing about it.
9. After reading a book, make connections to your own life. Then, write about them.
10. Search in books that you have for words that have the letter patterns we are studying. Make a list of the words that you find.
11. Practice sight words using flash cards.
12. Write sentences using this week's "heart" words.
13. Write in your diary/journal. If you don't have one, start one.
14. Write about a favorite book. Tell what you like about it. Write about any reading you do. You can use scratch paper or written response sheets found on our class website ([missschmidts1stgrade.weebly.com](http://missschmidts1stgrade.weebly.com)).
15. Practice handwriting using proper letter formation. See the Zaner-Bloser Letter Formation sheet in your homework folder or on our class website ([missschmidts1stgrade.weebly.com](http://missschmidts1stgrade.weebly.com)) for the correct starting point and direction.
16. Think of something you are interested in. Read books to find out more information. Write about what you learn.
17. Turn a book into a readers' theater. Write out the parts. Cast it and put it on!
18. Write and mail a letter to someone you know (friend, cousin, grandparent, etc.).
19. Use this week's "heart" words to make a word search or a crossword puzzle.
20. Paint this week's "heart" words using watercolors. Paint a picture using the words.
21. Put colored hair gel in Ziploc bags. Write this week's "heart" words on the bags with your fingers.
22. Have someone say 10 words to you, one at a time. Clap out the syllables.
23. Write a story or poem. Illustrate it.
24. Memorize a poem. Recite it for your parents.
25. Play a game that requires you to identify beginning, middle, or ending sounds.
26. Play any game that is literacy related.
27. Read signs, billboards, food labels, etc.
28. Learn the definition of a new word. Draw a picture to show the definition.
29. Play a literacy game on the computer, iPad, tablet, etc. (Some links can be found on our class website at [missschmidts1stgrade.weebly.com](http://missschmidts1stgrade.weebly.com).)
30. Your choice! In other words, this is not an exhaustive list of appropriate literacy activities. Be creative and do something literacy related. Have fun!