

# DAY BY DAY A WEEK GOES BY!

## Booklist

*Today is Monday* - Eric Carle

*The Very Hungry Caterpillar* - Eric Carle

*Someday is Not a Day of the Week* - Denise Brennan-Nelson

*What Did You Put In Your Pocket?* - Beatrice Schenk De Regniers

*Day by Day a Week Goes Round* - Carol Diggory Shields

*Kid Tea* - Elizabeth Ficocelli

*Chickens to the Rescue* - John Himmelman

*Seven Spunky Monkeys* - Jackie French Koller

*Little Mouse Has a Party* - Steve Lavis

*Cookie's Week* - Cindy Ward

## Action Wigglers & Games

**"WHAT DID YOU PUT IN YOUR POCKET?"** From *Juba This and Juba That*, compiled by Tashjian, Virginia A.; Little, Brown, ©1995. You can also use this adapted version, sewing extra pockets onto a big apron. Cut out curved pieces of flannel, which when placed all together on a flannel board make a rainbow. (Also, this prop fits the Color Crazy theme!)

What did I put in my pocket, early on Monday morning?

I put **red** in my pocket, red in my pocket early on Monday morning.

(repeat through the days of the week)

I put **orange** ... Tuesday morning.

I put **yellow** ... Wednesday morning.

I put **green** ... Thursday morning.

I put **blue** ... Friday morning.

I put **purple** ... Saturday morning.

What did I find in my pocket, early on Sunday morning?

I found a **rainbow** in my pocket, a rainbow in my pocket early Sunday morning.

(put pieces onto the flannel board to make a rainbow) Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Purple.

I found a rainbow in my pocket early on Sunday morning.

## TONGUE TWISTER

Moe moved marbles Monday. Terry tried taffy Tuesday. Wally went walking Wednesday. Thurman thrived thinking Thursday. Frida fried froglegs Friday. Saturday and Sunday, everybody rest!

## Music

**HAPPY DAYS** Original author unknown. Sung to: "Happy Days theme song".  
<http://www.preschooleducation.com/scalendar.shtml>

**DAY** Original Author Unknown. Sung to: "Are you sleeping?"  
<http://www.preschooleducation.com/scalendar.shtml>

**CALENDAR 3** Original Author Unknown. Sung to: "I Found a Peanut"  
<http://www.preschooleducation.com/scalendar.shtml>

**THERE ARE 7 DAYS** Original Author Unknown. Sung to: "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" <http://www.preschooleducation.com/scalendar.shtml>

## Dramatic Play or Writing Activity

**PHONEMIC AWARENESS** (the ability to hear and manipulate sounds in words)  
*Carle's Today is Monday* is a wonderful book to rewrite with children. For each day of the week, have the children list foods that begin with the same letter as that particular day: Monday, meatballs, macaroni, mashed potatoes; Tuesday, tacos, tomatoes, tuna; etc. This activity could be extended into an illustration activity. Children can illustrate the various pages.

**THINK AND WRITE** Read *Someday is Not a Day of the Week*. Ask the children what they would like to do on Someday, writing them on a big piece of paper or a dry-erase board. Or, use it as a journal activity. Having children write short stories or draw pictures in the journals about different things they would like to do Someday.

## Craft

**ILLUSTRATING POETRY** Using *Day by Day a Week Goes Round* with older children, give them a stack of 8.5 x 11 paper or construction paper and a pencil. Tell them they will have one minute to draw a picture of the first thing they can think of when they hear each poem after it is read. After the poetry reading, each child picks his/her favorite drawing. Use crayons, markers, and other craft materials to dress it up for a book that will be displayed in the library.

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