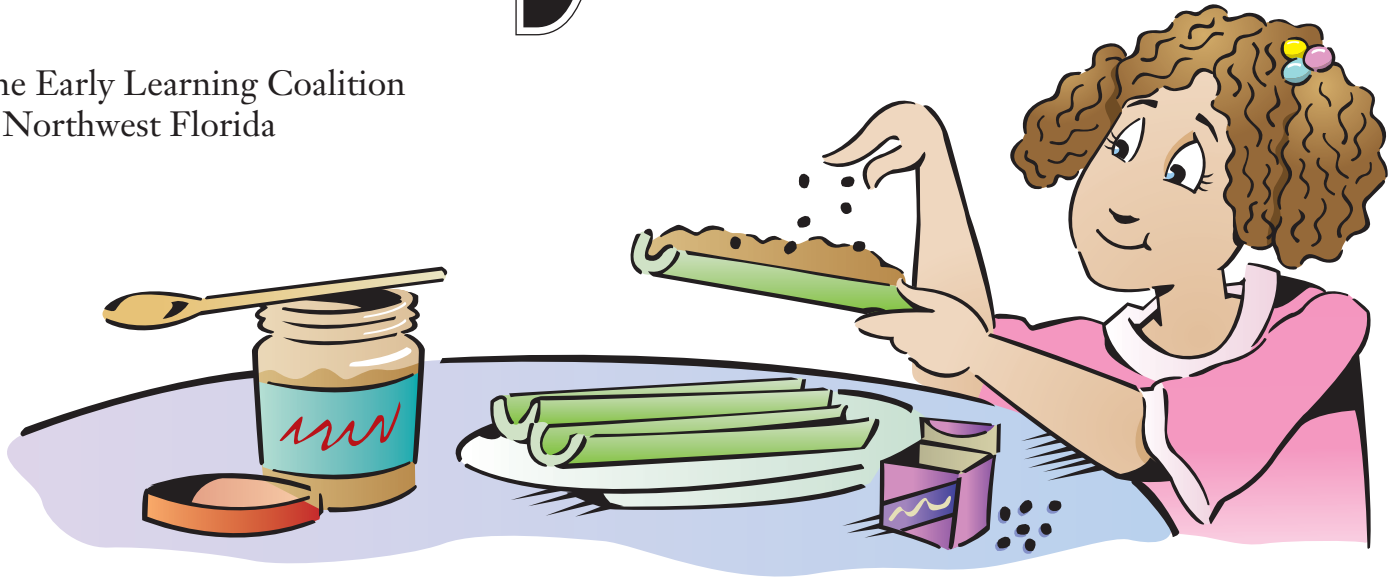


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make the difference!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 2010						1 It's May Day! Celebrate by encouraging your child to move to favorite music while waving paper streamers.
2 Sing your child's favorite song together.	3 Visit a neighborhood you and your child have never been to.	4 Make a bouquet of real or paper flowers. Take them to an elderly neighbor.	5 This is the Mexican Holiday Cinco de Mayo. Find Mexico on a map.	6 Discuss the meaning of a <i>dozen</i> and <i>half a dozen</i> . What things do we often buy a <i>dozen</i> of?	7 Go for a walk and see how many different colors your child can see.	8 Get up early and go to the bagel shop or bakery together. Eat something fresh out of the oven!
9 Try to find people playing a sport you are not familiar with. Watch together.	10 In the grocery store, ask your child to look for foods that are purple.	11 Go to the library and check out a book about animals.	12 Talk about the meaning of <i>today</i> , <i>yesterday</i> and <i>tomorrow</i> .	13 Walk outside to look at the plants together. Or plan to visit a farm to see it in the busy growing season.	14 Go to the park. Swing on the swings together.	15 Summer is just a few weeks away! Help your child make a list of five fun things to do this summer.
16 Squeeze lemons together. Add sugar, water and ice. Enjoy your lemonade!	17 Ask your child to try to draw something that makes her happy.	18 Make unusual prints by dipping flowers or other objects into paint and then pressing them onto paper.	19 Have a picnic today, either inside or outside.	20 Together, look outside tonight after dark. See if your child can spot an early firefly.	21 Play the "opposite game." Say a word and have your child say its opposite.	22 Help your child practice counting all through the house. How many doors? Windows? Chairs?
23 Take a walk with your child or go on a bike ride.	24 Check out a library book about the ocean.	25 Ask your child whether it would be more fun to travel in a car, a train or an airplane. Why? Where would he go?	26 Make a list of five things to do in a summer rainstorm. Draw pictures, too.	27 Invite a few friends over for a reading party. Ask each to bring a book. Read, then serve a snack!	28 Model good manners for your child. Speak to her politely, using the words <i>please</i> and <i>thank you</i> .	29 Talk about some things your child has learned to do this year that he could not do a year ago.
30 For a special treat, plan a trip to the zoo!	31 Leave your child an "I love you" note.					