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At Home Storytime for Families

Let's Explore Family

Here are some songs to sing together!

[The Finger Family Song](#)

Daddy finger, daddy finger, where are you?
Here I am, here I am
How do you do?

Mommy finger, mommy finger, where are you?
Here I am, here I am
How do you do?

Other verses: Brother, Sister, Baby.

[Skidamarink a dink a dink](#)

Skidamarink a dink a dink. Skidamarink a doo.
I love you.
Skidamarink a dink a dink. Skidamarink a doo.
I love you.

I love you in the morning and in the afternoon.
I love you in the evening and underneath the moon.

Oh, Skidamarink a dink a dink. Skidamarink a doo.
I love you.

Virtual Read Aloud of Favorite Books

[No Mirrors in Nana's House](#) by Ysaye M. Barnwell

Some questions to ask during or
after the story:

*What do you think this story will be
about?*

What do you see in the mirror?

*How do you think she feels at
Nana's house?*

[My Rotten Redheaded Older Brother](#) by Patricia Polacco

Some questions to ask during or
after the story:

*What are some things you know
how to do?*

*How does Tricia feel about her
brother?*

What would your star wish be?

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Video Chat Family Members

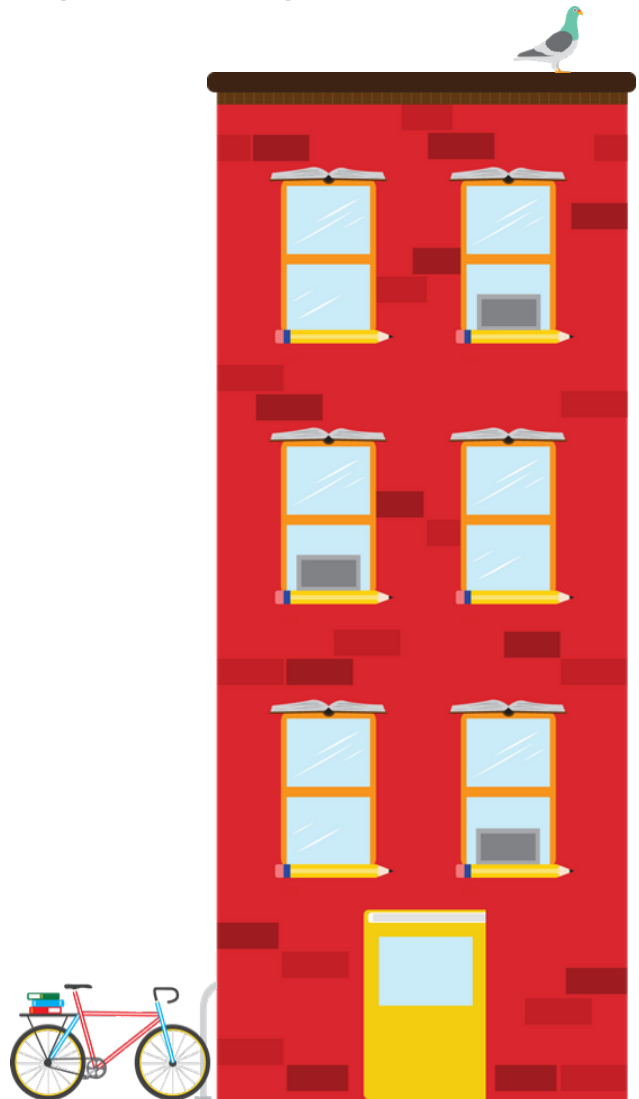
Some fun activities to try when video chatting with family are to:

- Read a story together (either have a family member share a story or your little one can share their favorite book)
- Share a favorite recipe and cook something together!
- Have your child show off a piece of their favorite artwork or special toy. Think of it as virtual “Show and Tell”!

Family Portraits

Have your child draw a family portrait and include anyone who is special & meaningful in their lives (this can include friends & pets).

A family portrait is a great way to let your child creatively express themselves with whatever art materials are already in your home, while thinking about the people who are important in their lives.



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