

## Where to go for new children's program ideas . . .



### Internet Resources

- **WebJunction;** <http://www.webjunction.org>  
→ Under “Resources” tab, scroll down to “Patron Services” and click on “Services to Children.” WebJunction also has discussion boards where you can post questions and get feedback from library staff from around the country.
- **Mid-Hudson Library System**, list theme and book based programs, as well as craft, music and fingerplays/rhyme ideas;  
[http://midhudson.org/program/ideas/Story\\_Hour.htm](http://midhudson.org/program/ideas/Story_Hour.htm). Also check out their **EZ Library Program Database** for all ages (you can easily search by audience – toddler, preschool, elementary, teen, etc.);  
<http://support.midhudson.org/ezprogram/>
- **Harris County Public Library**, list over 200 Story Time ideas (infant, toddler, preschool, school age and bilingual);  
[http://www.hcpl.net/cgi-bin/ebranch/story\\_time/browse.pl](http://www.hcpl.net/cgi-bin/ebranch/story_time/browse.pl)
- **ALSC Blog**, the Association for Library Service to Children has a blog that covers lots of topics, including programming ideas; <http://www.alsc.ala.org/blog/>

### Books (all available from ESRL's Professional Development Collection)

- **Storytimes for Two-Year Olds** (2007) by Judy Nichols
- **Crash Course in Children's Services** (2006) by Penny Peck
- **Ready-To-Go Storytimes: Fingerplays, Scripts, Patterns, Music and more** (2003) by Gail Benton and Trisha Waichulaitis
- **Early Literacy Storytimes @ your Library: Partnering with Caregivers for Success** (2006) by Saroj Nadkarni Ghoting and Pamela Martin-Diaz
- **Programming with Latino Children's Materials** (1999) by Tim Wadham
- **Lapsit Services for the Very Young II** (2001) by Linda L. Ernst

### Attend CLES meetings!

Our meetings provide a great opportunity to ask questions and hear firsthand program ideas that work.