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<td>April Fool’s Day. Unplug the TV as a joke and say it’s broken.</td>
<td>Read-a-Poem-a –Day Poets.org.</td>
<td>Washington Irving (1783-1859) birthday: U.S. author of <em>Rip Van Winkle</em>. Write a poem about a book character.</td>
<td>Visit the knowledge store. Your library has lots of free poetry for you to read.</td>
<td>National Reading A Road Map Day. Learn how to read a road map by locating the cities in your area.</td>
<td>Good Friday Awaken your soul by reading inspirational verse.</td>
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<td>EASTER SUNDAY. Have an Easter Egg hunt. Fill plastic eggs with written messages or fortunes. Give Easter books.</td>
<td>Civil War ended on this day, 1865. Gen. Robert E Lee of the Confederacy surrendered to Gen Ulysses S. Grant of the Union.</td>
<td>Set your children’s TV schedule for the week. Heavy TV viewing and video games take kids away from reading, studying, and playing.</td>
<td>Nothing is more certain than death or taxes.” The U.S. internal Revenue Services request your share of the cost of government. Be nice to parents day.</td>
<td>Anniversary of the big wind. The highest-velocity wind was recorded in Mount Washington, NH, in 1934 when gusts reached 231 miles per hour.</td>
<td>Isaac Asimov, one of the world’s best known science fiction writers, (1920-1992). How many of his 500 books have you read?</td>
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<td>Birthday of Buddha, founder of Buddhism in India 563 B.C. Mediate, don’t vegetate, this week on some real reading</td>
<td>Poetry Break! You deserve a poetry break today.</td>
<td>National Library Week. Don’t load up on videos for the weekend. Visit your local library.</td>
<td>Start a TV log. Record how much time you watch TV per week. Write a poem about a sofa spud you know.</td>
<td>How many TV song hits can you and your children whistle and spell? Play “name that TV Tune.”</td>
<td>If TV is “chewing gum for the eyes,” then poetry must be medicine for the heart.</td>
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<td>Join the Climbing the Poet-Tree Club by making a video of your poetry performance. <a href="http://www.unf.edu/~nstanley/climb.htm">http://www.unf.edu/~nstanley/climb.htm</a></td>
<td>Book Day and Lover’s Day. Today in Spain the death of writer Miguel de Cervantes (Don Quixote) is observed by giving the gift of a rose and a book to someone dear.</td>
<td>Be a Keeper of the Dream! Read the great poets: Walt Whitman, Emily Dickinson, Mother Goose-Maya Angelou, Langston Hughes, Robert Frost, and Dr. Seuss.</td>
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<td>Read, write, and perform- Haiku, cinquains, limericks, acrostics, couplets, odes, sonnets, free verse, and all the many forms of poetry.</td>
<td>Great Poetry Reading Day. Read some funny poetry. Kids enjoy reading poems by Shel Silverstein, Jack Prelutsky, and Bruce Lansky.</td>
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