MISSOURI BUILDING BLOCK
PICTURE BOOK AWARD

Saturday
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Related Books:

Mommy’s Khimar by Jamilah Thompkins-Bigelow
Pecan Pie Baby by Jacqueline Woodson
Me & Mama by Cozbi A. Cabrera
A Night Out with Mama by Quvenzhane Wallis
I Got the Rhythm by Connie Schofield-Morrison
My Mommy Medicine by Edwidge Danticat
Mommy Sayang by Rosana Sullivan
Mama, Do You Love Me? by Barbara Joosse
Baby Goes to Market by Atinuke
Today is Monday by Eric Carles
Monday is One Day by Arthur A. Levine

Rhymes:

“Solomon Grundy”
Solomon Grundy,
Born on Monday,
Christened on Tuesday,
Married on Wednesday,
Took ill on Thursday,
Worse on Friday,
Died on Saturday,
Buried on Sunday,
This is the end,
Of Solomon Grundy

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“Families Rhyme”
Some families are large. (spread arms out wide)
Some families are small (bring arms close together)
But I love my family (cross arms over chest) best of all!

“Mommy Has”
My Mommy has 2 arms, 2 arms, 2 arms,
My Mommy has 2 arms to give me great big hugs!

My Mommy has 2 hands, 2 hands, 2 hands,
My Mommy has 2 hands to hold my hand while we walk!

My Mommy has 2 feet, 2 feet, 2 feet,
My Mommy has 2 feet to come running if I get hurt!

My Mommy has 1 mouth, 1 mouth, 1 mouth
My Mommy has 1 mouth to smile at me all day!

My Mommy has 2 lips, 2 lips 2 lips.
My Mommy has 2 lips 2 lips to kiss my head goodnight!

Songs:

“Looby Loo”
Here we go Looby-Loo
Here we go Looby-Light
Here we go Looby-Loo
All on a Saturday Night

I put my right hand in,
I put my right hand out,
I give my hand a shake, shake, shake
And turn myself about, oh -

Here we go Looby-Loo
Here we go Looby-Light
Here we go Looby-Loo
All on a Saturday Night
“Days of the Week”
(Tune: “Frere Jacques” or “Martinillo”)
Today is Monday, Today is Monday (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday)
How are you, how are you?
Very well, I thank you
Very well, I thank you
How about you?
How about you?

Hoy es lunes, Hoy es lunes (martes, miércoles, jueves, viernes, sábado, domingo)
Cómo estás? Cómo estás?
Muy bien, gracias
Muy bien, gracias
¿Y usted? ¿Y usted?

Activities:

DIY Paper or Felt Puppets – In Saturday, the main character and her mother miss out on the puppet show for which they had tickets, but end up making their own puppets together at home. Reuse scrap paper, out of date magazines or old felt pieces to cut out your own characters for a puppet show. Old boxes and dining room tables make great stages/theatres.

Make a collage – The author created collages for the illustrations in Saturday. Talk to kids about what a collage is and then let them make their own with materials you have available!

Learn the days of the week with this craft stick puzzle –
https://www.powerfulmothering.com/day-of-the-week-craft-stick-puzzle/

Celebrate and learn about families – Talk about families and family members. Here are some activities you can do explore families with kids:
● Family Member Playdough Mats: https://teachingmama.org/family-play-dough-mats/
● Cardboard Tube Family Craft: https://www.fantasticfunandlearning.com/cardboard-tube-family-craft.html

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