

Activity Calendar

Better Nate Than Ever by Tim Federle.
Simon & Schuster, 2013.

A Family Apart (Orphan Train Adventures)
by Joan Lowery Nixon. Laurel Leaf, 1995.

*Fifty Cents and a Dream: Young Booker T.
Washington* by Jabari Asim. Little, Brown
Books for Young Readers, 2012.

Gossie by Olivier Dunrea. HMH Books for
Young Readers, 2002.

Mr. Wuffles by David Wiesner. Clarion, 2013.

Poetry for Young People: Langston Hughes,
edited by David Roessel and Arnold Rampersad.
Sterling Children's Books, 2013.

The Shrinking of Treehorn by Florence Parry Heide.
Holiday House, 1988.

Snow School by Sandra Markle.
Charlesbridge, 2013.

The Three Little Pigs and the Somewhat Bad Wolf
by Mark Teague. Orchard Books, 2013.

The Toothpaste Millionaire by Jean Merrill.
HMH Books for Young Readers, 2006.

Character Ed

Character Strengths and Virtues by
Christopher Peterson and Martin E.P. Seligman.
American Psychological Association,
Oxford University Press, 2004.

Dear Annie by Judith Caseley. Greenwillow, 1991.

Dear Mrs. LaRue: Letters from Obedience School
by Mark Teague. Scholastic, 2002.

Dude, That's Rude! (Get Some Manners) by
Pamela Espeland and Elizabeth Verdick,
illustrated by Steve Mark. Free Spirit, 2007.

The Gardener by Sarah Stewart, illustrated
by David Small. Scholastic, 1997.

Gracias ~ Thanks by Pat Mora, illustrated
by John Parra. Lee & Low, 2009.

Hello Muddah, Hello Faddah! (A Letter from Camp)
by Allan Sherman and Lou Busch, illustrated
by Jack E. Davis. Dutton, 2004.

*How Rude! The Teen Guide to Good Manners,
Proper Behavior, and Not Grossing People Out*
by Alex J. Parker. Free Spirit, 2014.

The Jolly Postman, or Other People's Letters by
Janet and Allan Ahlberg. Little, Brown, 1986.

Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett.
Simon & Schuster, 2006.

Oops! The Manners Guide for Girls
(American Girl Library) by Nancy Holyoke,
illustrated by Debbie Tilley. Pleasant, 1997.

Pass the Poetry, Please (3rd ed.) by
Lee Bennett Hopkins. HarperCollins, 1998.

Poem-Making: Ways to Begin Making Poetry by
Myra Cohn Livingston. HarperCollins, 1991.

Poetry Matters: Writing a Poem from the Inside Out
by Ralph Fletcher. HarperCollins, 2002.

Thank You, Miss Doover by Robin Pulver, illustrated
by Stephanie Roth Sisson. Holiday House, 2010.

Core Focus

*Before John Was a Jazz Giant: A Song of
John Coltrane* by Carole Boston Weatherford,
illustrated by Sean Qualls. Henry Holt, 2008.

Dizzy by Jonah Winter, illustrated by Sean Qualls.
Arthur A. Levine Books, 2006.

Jazz Age Josephine by Jonah Winter, illustrated
by Marjorie Priceman. Atheneum Books for
Young Readers, 2012.

Skit-Scat Raggedy Cat: Ella Fitzgerald by Roxane
Orgill, illustrated by Sean Qualls. Candlewick, 2010.

Curriculum Connections

Publisher Series

Annabel the Actress by Ellen Conford. Aladdin.

Cool Performances by Karen Latchana Kenney.
Checkerboard Library.

Get into Character by Catherine Gourley. Crabtree.

The Magic of Movies by Geoffrey M. Horn.
Gareth Stevens.

My First Acting Series. Smith & Kraus.

On Stage by Aaron Shepard. Shepard Publications.

Shakespeare Stealer by Gary Blackwood.
Puffin Reprints.

Books

Acting Out: Six One-Act Plays, Six Newbery Stars
by Avi et al. Atheneum, 2010.

*African Legends, Myths, and Folktales for
Readers Theatre* by Anthony D. Fredericks.
Libraries Unlimited, 2008.

All the World's a Stage: A Novel in Five Acts
by Gretchen Woelfle. Holiday House, 2011.

Attack of the Killer Video Book Take 2: Tips and Tricks for Young Directors by Mark Shulman and Hazlitt Krog. Annick Press, 2012.

Beverly Billingsley Takes a Bow by Alexander Stadler. Voyager Books, 2007.

Big Hairy Drama (Joey Fly, Private Eye) by Aaron Reynolds. Henry Holt, 2010.

Curtain Up! A Book for Young Performers by Dirk McLean. Tundra Books, 2010.

Drama by Raina Telgemeier. Graphix, 2012.

Fearless! Stunt People (Time for Kids Nonfiction Readers) by Jessica Cohn. Teacher Created Materials, 2013.

Goblin Secrets by William Alexander. Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2013.

The Gold Miner's Daughter: A Melodramatic Fairy Tale by Jackie Mims Hopkins. Peachtree, 2006.

Good Brother, Bad Brother: The Story of Edwin Booth and John Wilkes Booth by James Cross Giblin. Clarion Books, 2005.

The Grand Plan to Fix Everything by Uma Krishnaswami. Atheneum, 2013. (reprint)

Lights, Camera, Action! Making Movies and TV from the Inside Out by Lisa O'Brien. Owlkids Books, 2007.

Lights on Broadway: A Theatrical Tour from A to Z by Harriet Ziefert. Blue Apple Books, 2009. (Book and CD)

Little Diva by LaChanze. Feiwel & Friends, 2010. (Book and CD)

Marty McGuire by Kate Messner. Scholastic, 2011.

No More Dead Dogs by Gordon Korman. Disney-Hyperion, 2002.

"Now I Get It!" 12 Ten-Minute Classroom Drama Skits for Science, Math, Language, and Social Studies, Volume 1: Grades K-3 by L.E. McCullough. Smith and Kraus, 2000.

On Stage (Where's the Science Here?) by Vicki Cobb. Millbrook Press, 2005.

On Stage: Theater Games and Activities for Kids by Lisa Bany-Winters. Chicago Review Press, 2012.

Pushing Up the Sky: Seven Native American Plays for Children by Joseph Bruchac. Dial Books, 2000.

Rebecca and the Movies (American Girls) by Jacqueline Dembar Greene. American Girl, 2009.

Ruby Electric by Theresa Nelson. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2004.

Shakespeare's Quill (Stories of Great People) by Gerry Bailey and Karen Foster. Crabtree, 2008.

Shining Star: The Anna May Wong Story by Paula Yoo and Lin Wang. Lee & Low, 2009.

Stage Fright on a Summer Night (Magic Tree House) by Mary Pope Osborne. Random House Books for Young Readers, 2002.

Stagestruck by Tomie dePaola. Puffin, 2007. (reprint)

Staging a Play (Culture in Action) by Deborah Underwood. Raintree, 2009.

Surviving the Applewhites by Stephanie S. Tolan. HarperCollins, 2012. (reprint)

Who Is Steven Spielberg? (Who Was...?) by Stephanie Spinner. Grosset & Dunlap, 2013.

Fiction/Nonfiction

The Frazzle Family Finds a Way by Ann Bonwill. Holiday House, 2013.

How Bright Is Your Brain? Amazing Games to Play with Your Mind by Michael A. DiSpezio. Sterling Publishing, 2004.

How to Bicycle to the Moon to Plant Sunflowers: A Simple but Brilliant Plan in 24 Easy Steps by Mordicai Gerstein. Roaring Brook Press, 2013.

I'm a Frog! by Mo Willems. Hyperion Books for Children, 2013.

Look Alikes Seek-and-Search Puzzles by Joan Steiner. Little, Brown and Company, 2011.

The Loud Book! by Deborah Underwood. Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2011.

More Stories to Solve: Fifteen Folktales from Around the World, told by George Shannon. Greenwillow Books, 1990.

More True Lies: 18 Tales for You to Judge, told by George Shannon. Greenwillow Books, 2001.

Norman, Speak! by Caroline Adderson. Groundwood Books, 2014.

The Pigeon Needs a Bath! by Mo Willems. Hyperion Books for Children, 2014.

Prudence Wants a Pet by Cathleen Daly. Roaring Brook Press, 2011.

The Quiet Book by Deborah Underwood. Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, 2010.

The Raucous Royals: Test Your Royal Wits: Crack Codes, Solve Mysteries, and Deduce Which Royal Rumors Are True by Carlyn Beccia. Houghton Mifflin, 2008.

Riddle Me This! Riddles and Stories to Challenge Your Mind, retold by Hugh Lupton. Barefoot Books, 2003.

School Times: A Spot-It Challenge by Jennifer L. Marks. Capstone Press, 2009.

Snow Dog, Sand Dog by Linda Joy Singleton. Albert Whitman & Company, 2014.

Sports Picture Puzzles by Matt Bruning. Capstone Press, 2010.

Spot the Differences: Brain-Teasing Picture Puzzles by Steven Rosen. Scholastic, 2008.

Still More Stories to Solve: Fourteen Folktales from around the World, told by George Shannon. Greenwillow Books, 1994.

Stories to Solve: Folktales from Around the World, told by George Shannon. Greenwillow Books, 1985.

Think Again! by Clive Gifford. Kingfisher, 2013.

Think, Think, Think: Learning about Your Brain by Pamela Hill Nettleton. Picture Window Books, 2004.

The Trouble with Cauliflower by Jane Sutton. Dial Books for Young Readers, 2006.

True Lies: 18 Tales for You to Judge, told by George Shannon. Greenwillow, 1997.

The Ultimate Indoor Games Book: The 200 Best Boredom Busters Ever! by Veronika Alice Gunter. Lark Books, 2005.

Wombat Goes Walkabout by Michael Morpurgo. Candlewick Press, 2000.

Freebies

Aunt Harriet's Underground Railroad in the Sky by Faith Ringgold. Perfection Learning, 1995.

Clarabella's Teeth by An Vrombaut. Clarion, 2003.

Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis. Scholastic, 2007.

Fancy Nancy and the Too-Loose Tooth by Jane O'Connor. HarperCollins, 2012.

How to Catch a Bogle by Catherine Jinks. HMH, 2013.

Jazz on a Saturday Night by Leo and Diane Dillon. Blue Sky Press, 2007.

Junie B., First Grader: Toothless Wonder by Barbara Park. Random House, 2003.

Lug, Dawn of the Ice Age by David Zeltser. Egmont, 2014.

Open Wide: Tooth School Inside by Laurie Keller. Henry Holt, 2000.

A Plague of Bogles by Catherine Jinks. HMH, 2015.

Singable Songs for the Very Young by Raffi. Rounder, 1998. (CD)

Tales of Uncle Remus: The Adventures of Brer Rabbit by Julius Lester, illustrated by Jerry Pinkney. Dial, 1987.

Teeth by Sneed B. Collard III. Charlesbridge, 2008.

Throw Your Tooth on the Roof: Tooth Traditions from Around the World by Selby Beeler. HMH Books for Young Readers, 1998.

The Tooth Fairy Wars by Kate Coombs. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2014.

The Watsons Go to Birmingham by Christopher Paul Curtis. Delacorte Books for Young Readers, 1995.

Gaining STEAM

Harry Potter Handbook: Movie Magic. Scholastic, 2011.

The Hugo Movie Companion: A Behind the Scenes Look at How a Beloved Book Became a Major Motion Picture by Brian Selznick. Scholastic, 2011.

I Want to Make Movies by Mary R. Dunn. PowerKids Press, 2009.

Learn to Speak Film: A Guide to Creating, Promoting and Screening Your Movies by Michael Glassbourg. Owl Kids, 2013.

Make a Movie! (Find Your Talent) by Jim Pipe. Arcturus, 2012.

Movie Soundtracks and Sound Effects by Geoffrey M. Horn. Gareth Stevens, 2007.

The Wimpy Kid Movie Diary: How Greg Heffley Went Hollywood by Jeff Kinney. Amulet, 2012.

Keep 'Em Reading

Series

The Coolest Jobs on the Planet. Heinemann/Raintree.

Culture in Action. Heinemann/Raintree.

On the Job. Capstone.

Books

Art That Moves: Animation Around the World (Culture in Action) by John Bliss. Heinemann/Raintree, 2011.

Being a Stunt Performer (On the Radar)

Awesome Jobs) by Isabel Thomas. Lerner, 2012.

Coming Distractions: Questioning Movies (Media Literacy) by Frank Baker. Capstone, 2007.

Special Effects Make-Up Artist (The Coolest Jobs on the Planet) by Bridget Light and Jonathan Craig. Heinemann/Raintree, 2014

Who Rolls through Fire? Working on a Movie Set (Wild Work) by Mary Meinking. Heinemann/Raintree, 2011.

Writing a Screenplay (Culture in Action) by Liz Miles. Heinemann/Raintree, 2010.

Library Lessons

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst, illustrated by Ray Cruz. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 1987. (reprint)

Alexander, Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday by Judith Viorst, illustrated by Ray Cruz. Silver Burdett, 1987.

Alexander, Who's Not (Do You Hear Me? I Mean It!) Going to Move by Judith Viorst, illustrated by Robin Preiss Glasser. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 1998. (reprint)

So Many Books

The Beatles Were Fab (and They Were Funny) by Kathleen Krull and Paul Brewer. Harcourt, 2013.

Benny Goodman and Teddy Wilson: Taking the Stage as the First Black-and-White Jazz Band in History by Lesa Cline-Ransome. Holiday House, 2014.

Better Nate Than Ever by Tim Federle. Simon & Schuster, 2013.

Bluffton: My Summers with Buster Keaton by Matt Phelan. Candlewick Press, 2013.

A Dance Like Starlight: One Ballerina's Dream by Kristy Dempsey. Philomel, 2014.

Five, Six, Seven, Nate! by Tim Federle. Simon & Schuster, 2014.

Josephine: The Dazzling Life of Josephine Baker by Patricia Hruby Powell, illustrated by Christian Robinson. Chronicle, 2014.

Keep Your Eye On the Kid: The Early Years of Buster Keaton by Catherine Brighton. Roaring Brook Press, 2008.

Monsieur Marceau: Actor without Words by Leda Schubert. Roaring Brook Press, 2012.

Rivka Takes a Bow by Betty Rosenberg Perlov. Kar-Ben, 2013.

Shining Star: The Anna May Wong Story by Paula Yoo and Lin Wang. Lee & Low, 2009.

Starring Miss Darlene by Amy Schwartz. Roaring Brook Press, 2007.

Tito Puente, Mambo King / Rey del Mambo by Monica Brown. Rayo/HarperCollins, 2013.

Storytime

Books

It Could Always Be Worse by Margot Zemach. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1976.

Stone Soup by Marcia Brown. Atheneum, 1947.

There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly by Simms Taback. Viking, 1997.

Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens. Harcourt, 1995.

Music

Keep On Singing and Dancing with Dr. Jean by Dr. Jean Feldman. Jean Feldman, 1999.

Literacy in Motion by the Learning Station. Monopoli/The Learning Station, 2005.

Peter, Paul and Mommy, Too by Peter, Paul and Mary. Warner Brothers, 1993.

Strengthen Your Core

Meaningful Differences in the Everyday Experience of Young American Children by Betty Hart and Todd Risley. Paul H. Brookes, 1995.