

Activity Calendar

- **Drop Everything and Read Day**
www.dropeverythingandread.com
- **Scholastic: Teaching resources for Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli**
www.scholastic.com/teachers/book/maniac-magee#cart/cleanup
- **Storytime kits and teaching resources for Amy Hest's books**
www.amyhest.com/#!/resources/cy33
- **El día de los niños/El día de los libros**
<http://dia.ala.org>
- **National Child Abuse Prevention Month**
www.childwelfare.gov/topics/preventing/preventionmonth
- **Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day**
www.daughtersandsonstowork.org
- **School Library Month**
www.ala.org/aasl/slm
- **NASA's Climate Kids**
<http://climatekids.nasa.gov>
- **Kids Discover Cells app**
www.kidsdiscover.com/apps-for-kids/cells-app-for-ipad

Character Ed

- **Book trailer for *One Well: The Story of Water on Earth* by Rochelle Strauss**
www.youtube.com/watch?v=6m_3omxat1Y
- **Learning resource materials for *One Well: The Story of Water on Earth* by Rochelle Strauss**
www.kidscanpress.com/Assets/Books/w_OneWell_1854/PDFs/OneWell_1854_teaching.pdf
- **Learn: Water on Citizen Kid**
www.citizenkidcentral.com/Learn/Water.aspx?themeld=6#sthash.yfKJ6KIG.dpuf
- ***The Language of Conservation: Poetry in Library and Zoo Collaborations*, edited by Jane Preston**
www.poetshouse.org/uploads/supporting-files/Poetry-in-the-world/LOC_2013.pdf

- **Do One Thing: Posters on volunteering**
www.doonething.org/issues/books/0-volunteer.pdf

Connected Librarian

- **Little Free Library**
<http://littlefreelibrary.org>
- **Screencast-O-Matic**
<http://screencast-o-matic.com>
- **Sketchup**
www.sketchup.com

Core Focus

- **National Geographic for Kids**
<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/explore>

Curriculum Connections

- **HowStuffWorks: "10 Kid-Friendly Places to Volunteer"**
<http://lifestyle.howstuffworks.com/family/parenting/bonding/10-kid-friendly-places-to-volunteer.htm#page=5>
- **KidsHealth: "Be a Volunteer" (in English or Spanish)**
<http://kidshealth.org/kid/feeling/thought/volunteering.html#>
- **Penny Harvest**
<http://pennyharvest.org>
- **United States Environmental Protection Agency Education Resources**
www.epa.gov/students/index.html
- **Youth Service America**
www.ysa.org
- **United Way's "Youth & Volunteering"**
www.unitedway.org/take-action/youth-volunteering
- **Habitat for Humanity: About Us**
www.habitat.org/how/about_us.aspx
- **Goodreads: Quotations about Volunteering**
www.goodreads.com/quotes/tag/volunteerism
- **National Wildlife Federation: Schoolyard Habitats**
www.nwf.org/How-to-Help/Garden-for-Wildlife/Schoolyard-Habitats.aspx

- **National Wildlife Federation: Citizen Science**
www.nwf.org/Wildlife/Wildlife-Conservation/Citizen-Science.aspx#program
- **US Fish & Wildlife Service: Endangered Animals**
www.fws.gov/endangered

Fiction/Nonfiction

- **American Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals**
www.aspca.org

Freebies

- **Readers to Eaters**
www.readerstoeters.com/our-story
- **National Baseball Hall of Fame**
<http://baseballhall.org>
- **Humphrey the Hamster series by Betty G. Birney**
<http://bettybirney.com/humphreyville.html>

Gaining STEAM

- **eHow: Making Paper**
www.ehow.com/how_4818153_make-paper.html
- **Wonderopolis: "How Do You Make Paper From a Tree?"**
<http://wonderopolis.org/wonder/how-do-you-make-paper-from-a-tree>

Keep 'Em Reading

- **Random Acts of Kindness**
www.randomactsofkindness.org/kindness-ideas
- **Pay It Forward**
www.pifexperience.org
- **Teacher's guide for *These Seas Count!* by Alison Ashley Formento**
<http://alisonashleyformento.com/resources-for-teachers-librarians/these-seas-count-guide>

- **Education Oasis: Graphic Organizers**
www.educationoasis.com/curriculum/GO/GO_pdf/texttoselfconnection.pdf, contains free downloadable graphic organizers
- **National Park Service: Clara Barton Needs You!**
www.nps.gov/museum/tmc/CLBA/CLBA_lesson1.html
- **CBS Evening News: Middle school football players execute life-changing play**
www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Ejh_hb15Fc

Library Lessons

- **Dramatic reading of *Extra Yarn***
www.youtube.com/watch?v=ypiw3FtYD6E

Strengthen Your Core

- **AASL Learning Standards & Common Core State Standards Crosswalk**
www.ala.org/aasl/standards-guidelines/crosswalk
- **Common Core State Standards**
www.corestandards.org

Technology

- ***The Smithsonian Folklife and Oral History Interviewing Guide***
www.folklife.si.edu/education_exhibits/resources/guide/introduction.aspx
- **Instant Poetry Forms**
<http://ettcweb.lrk12.nj.us/forms/newpoem.htm>
- **Create a Graph**
<http://nces.ed.gov/nceskids/createagraph/default.aspx>
- **National Geographic: MapMaker**
http://education.nationalgeographic.com/education/map/?ar_a=1&map_types=55
- **Designing and printing bookmarks in Microsoft Word**
<http://info.pcforms.com/DIY-Printing-blog/bid/56016/How-To-Design-and-Print-Your-Own-Bookmarks>

- **How To Make A Printable Bookmark Template For PowerPoint**
www.free-power-point-templates.com/articles/how-to-make-a-printable-bookmark-template-for-powerpoint
- **SuperLame!**
www.superlame.com
- **Barrow Oral History Project**
www.clarke.k12.ga.us/Barrow.cfm?subpage=38223
- **Bridlemile Elementary School Oral History Project**
http://swni.org/bridlemile/bridlemile_elementary_school_oral_history_project
- **EDSITEment!: "What Is History? Timelines and Oral Histories"**
<http://edsitement.neh.gov/lesson-plan/what-history-timelines-and-oral-histories#sect-introduction>
- **Scholastic: "Oral History: A Writing Workshop Teacher's Guide"**
www.scholastic.com/teachers/lesson-plan/oral-history-writing-workshop-teachers-guide
- **Teaching Tolerance: "Family Ties and Fabric Tales: Elementary Grades"**
www.tolerance.org/supplement/family-ties-and-fabric-tales-elementary-grades
- **Reading Rockets: Oral History**
www.readingrockets.org/article/oral-history
- **Reading Rockets: Patricia Polacco talking about family stories**
www.readingrockets.org/books/interviews/polacco

Tips from the Trenches

- **ScreenCast-O-Matic**
www.screencast-o-matic.com
- **Storytime Steph: Light Painting**
<http://storytimesteph.com/?p=258>
- **Nerdy Book Club**
<http://nerdybookclub.wordpress.com>
- **Seed Library Social Network**
<http://seedlibraries.org>