

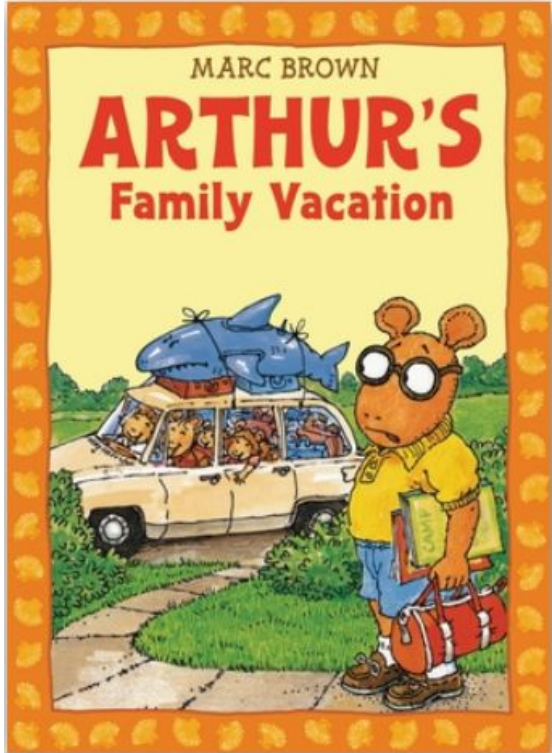
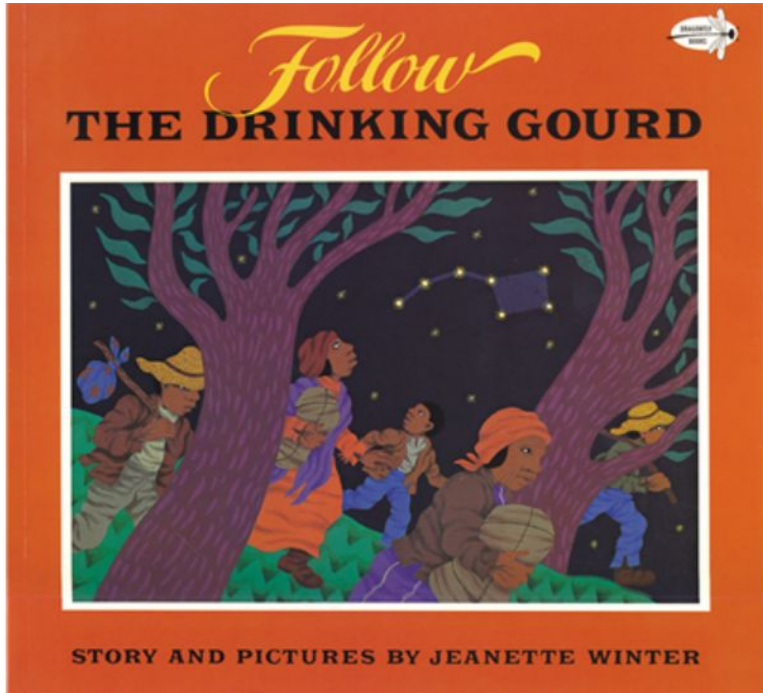
Welcome!

**Make Way
for
Books**



- Books in Childhood
- History of Make Way for Books
- Hard Facts about the Families We Serve
- Emergent Language and Literacy Research
- What is Story School?
- Power of Books
- Success of Story School
- Homework Opportunity





Make Way for Books

Celebrating 25
years!



A group of young children are sitting on a carpeted floor, looking at a book together. One child is pointing at the page. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting an indoor setting like a classroom or library. The children are wearing blue and white clothing. A name tag is visible on one of the children's shirts.

Our mission is to give all children the chance to read and succeed.

Hard Facts

1 in 3

young children (under age 5)
in our community
live in poverty.



This puts them at a distinct disadvantage.

Less than

HALF

**of children from low-income
homes start school with the skills
they need to be successful**

A child's
vocabulary at
age 3 predicts
their reading
achievement in
third-grade.



A black and white photograph of a young child with short hair, sitting at a desk and looking down at a book or paper. The child is wearing a dark tank top. The background is blurred, showing what appears to be a classroom setting with other desks and chairs.

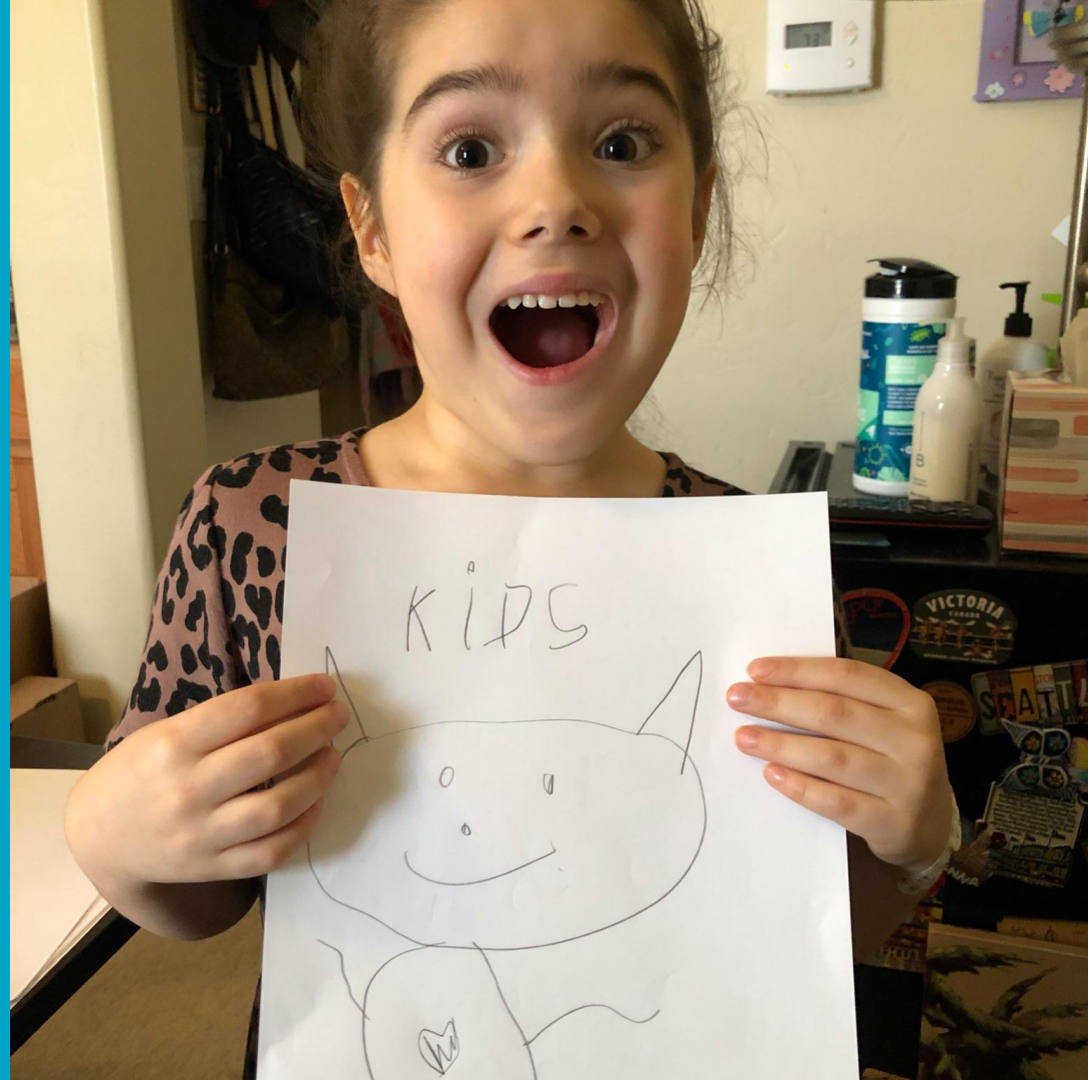
Only 1 in 10

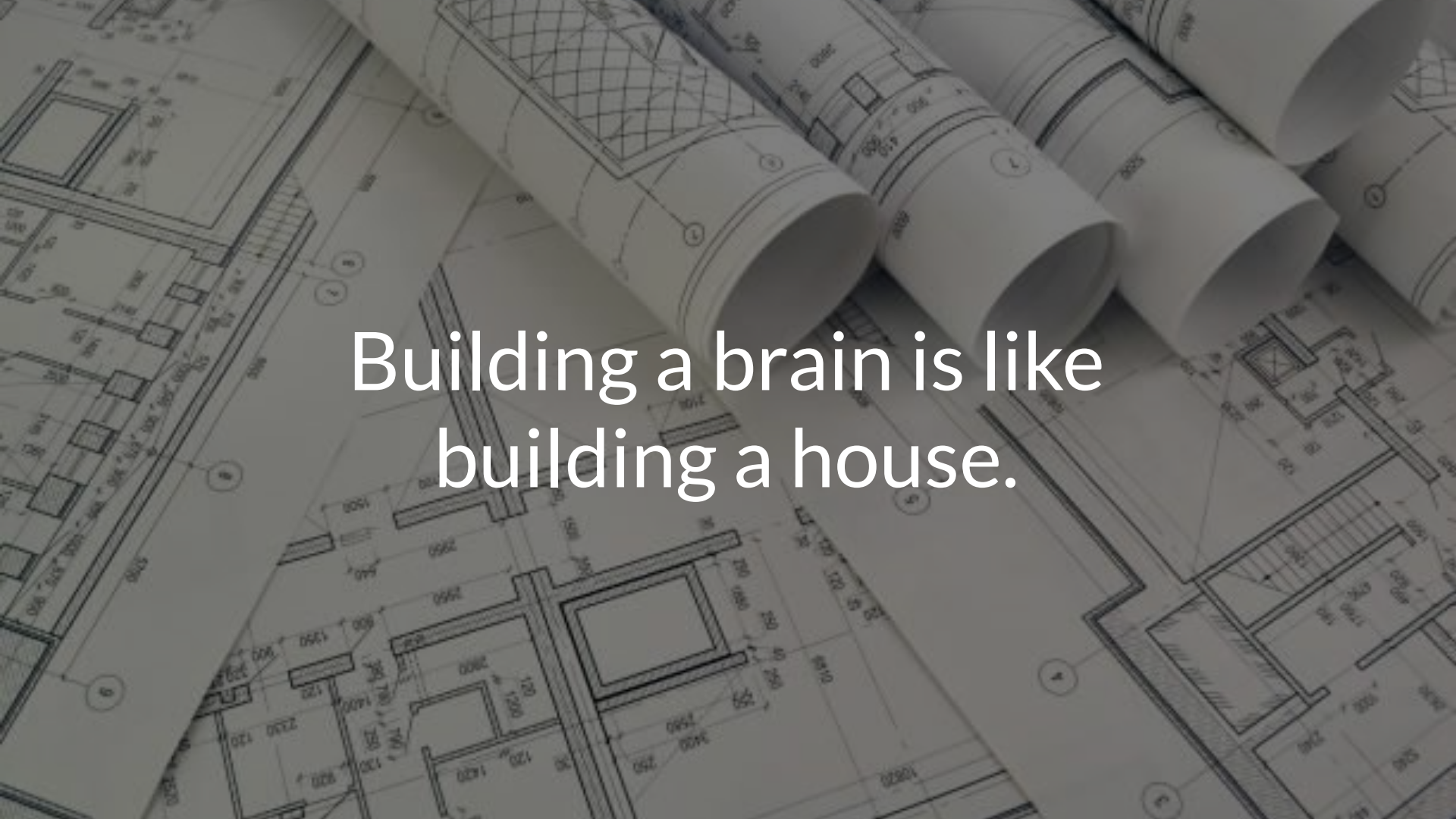
children reading below grade-level
in first grade will ever catch up.



By the end of third-grade, children reading below grade-level are 4 times more likely to drop out of high school in the future.

The Research



The image features a collection of architectural blueprints and rolled-up plans. The blueprints are spread out, showing various floor plans, wall layouts, and structural details with numerous dimension lines and numerical values. Some of the visible dimensions include 1200, 1500, 2000, 2500, 3000, 3500, 4000, 4500, 5000, 5500, 6000, 6500, 7000, 7500, 8000, 8500, 9000, 9500, 10000, 10500, 11000, 11500, 12000, 12500, 13000, 13500, 14000, 14500, 15000, 15500, 16000, 16500, 17000, 17500, 18000, 18500, 19000, 19500, 20000, 20500, 21000, 21500, 22000, 22500, 23000, 23500, 24000, 24500, 25000, 25500, 26000, 26500, 27000, 27500, 28000, 28500, 29000, 29500, 30000, 30500, 31000, 31500, 32000, 32500, 33000, 33500, 34000, 34500, 35000, 35500, 36000, 36500, 37000, 37500, 38000, 38500, 39000, 39500, 40000, 40500, 41000, 41500, 42000, 42500, 43000, 43500, 44000, 44500, 45000, 45500, 46000, 46500, 47000, 47500, 48000, 48500, 49000, 49500, 50000, 50500, 51000, 51500, 52000, 52500, 53000, 53500, 54000, 54500, 55000, 55500, 56000, 56500, 57000, 57500, 58000, 58500, 59000, 59500, 60000, 60500, 61000, 61500, 62000, 62500, 63000, 63500, 64000, 64500, 65000, 65500, 66000, 66500, 67000, 67500, 68000, 68500, 69000, 69500, 70000, 70500, 71000, 71500, 72000, 72500, 73000, 73500, 74000, 74500, 75000, 75500, 76000, 76500, 77000, 77500, 78000, 78500, 79000, 79500, 80000, 80500, 81000, 81500, 82000, 82500, 83000, 83500, 84000, 84500, 85000, 85500, 86000, 86500, 87000, 87500, 88000, 88500, 89000, 89500, 90000, 90500, 91000, 91500, 92000, 92500, 93000, 93500, 94000, 94500, 95000, 95500, 96000, 96500, 97000, 97500, 98000, 98500, 99000, 99500, 100000. The rolled-up plans are stacked on top of the blueprints, showing various architectural drawings and technical specifications. The overall scene is a detailed and organized representation of architectural planning and design.

Building a brain is like
building a house.



The first
5 years
impact
everything.



Education is the most powerful tools to change our community.



Serve and Return Interactions

**books
build
brains**

↑ THIS
SIDE
↑ UP ↑



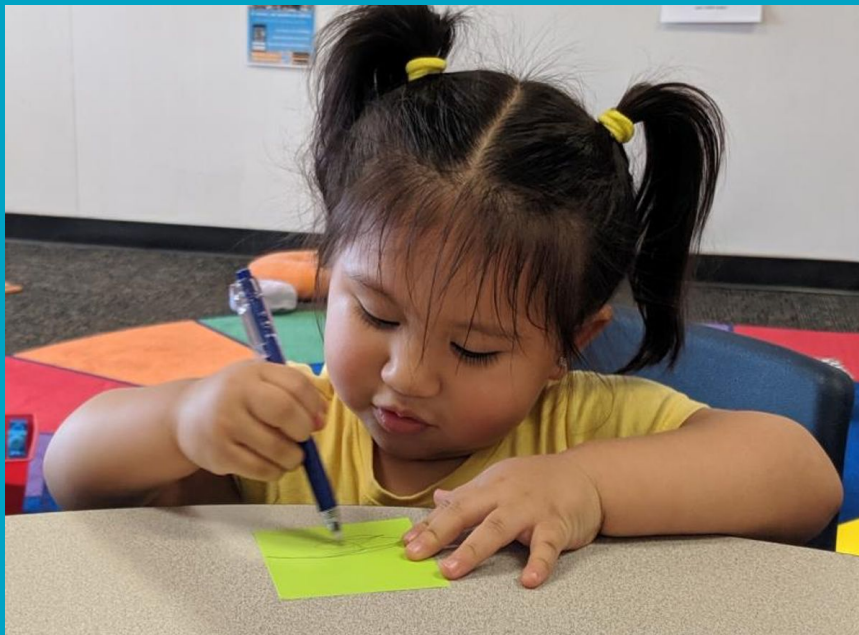
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BOX





Family Education and Literacy

Story School



Story School's Innovative Approach



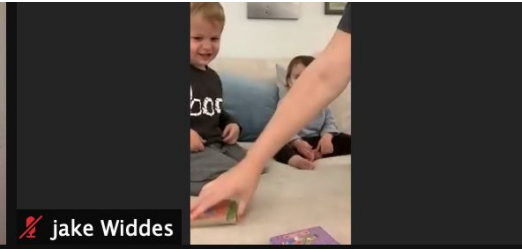




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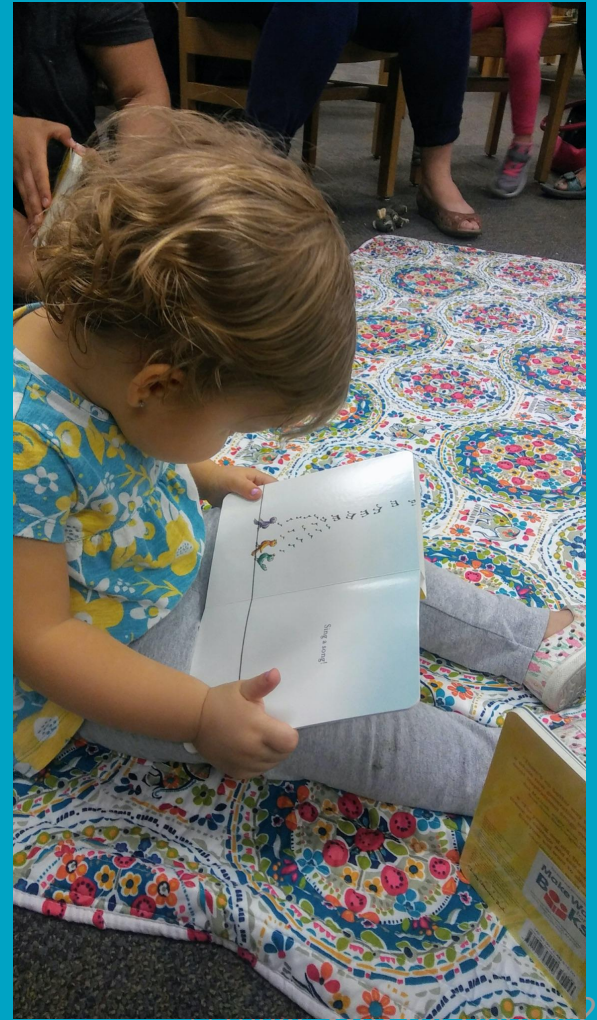
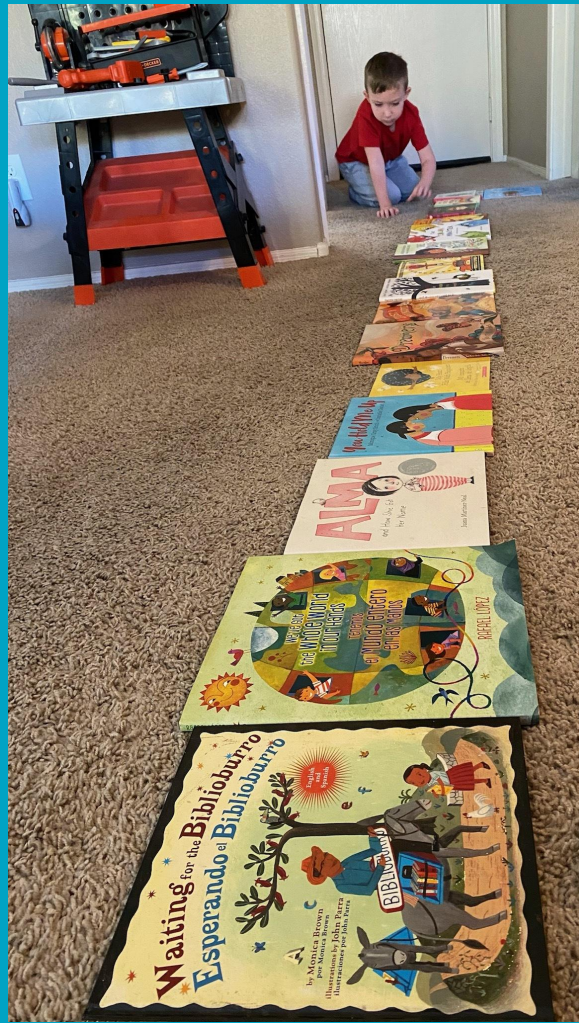


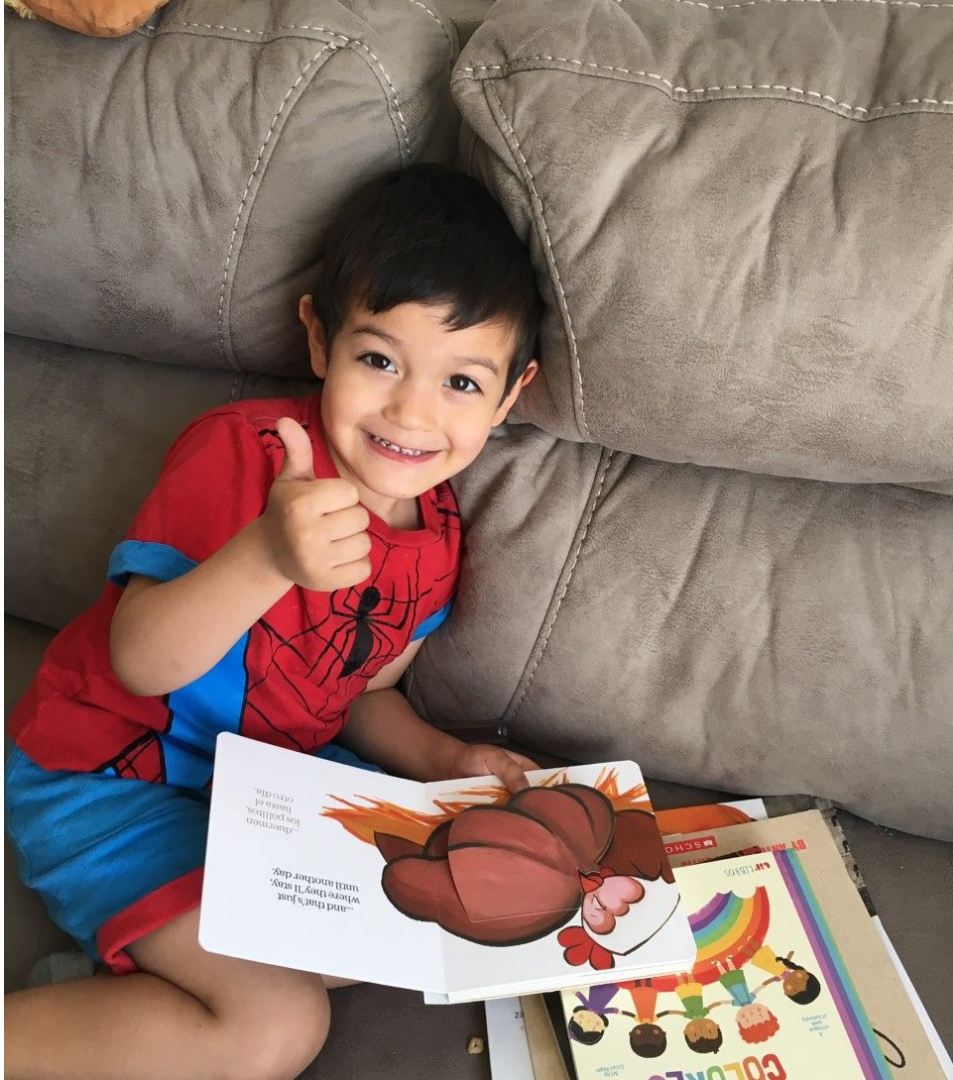
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Presence of books in the home







2020 REPRESENTATION IN CHILDRENS PICTURE BOOKS



41% *White*



29% *Animals*



12% *Black*



9% *Asian*



6% *Latinx*



3% *Disability*

0.001% Pacific Islander
0.008% Arab
0.15% Indigenous

Weekly Recorded Stories

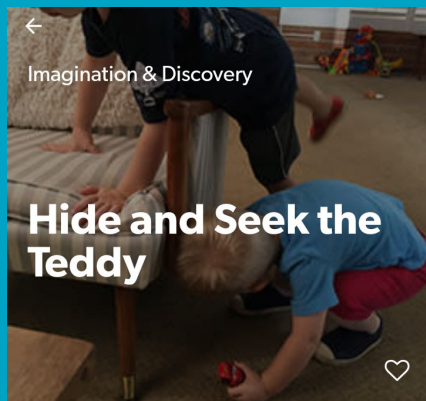


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APP Activities

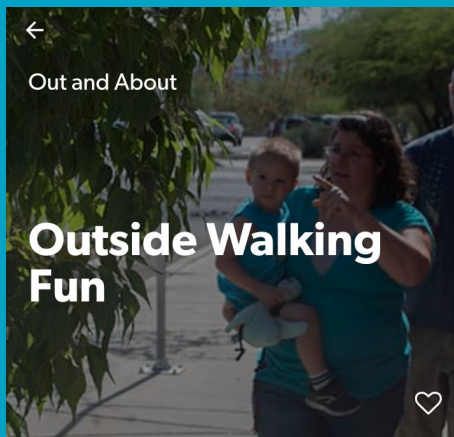
For a preschooler



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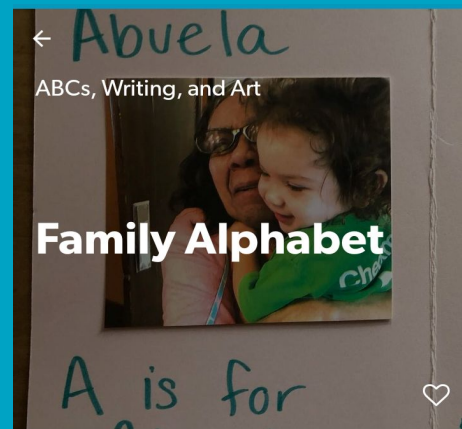
Play a little different version of hide and seek with your child. Hide one of your child's toys (like a stuffed teddy or other animal). Offer clues to your child if they are struggling to find it. Use as many descriptive words as you can in the clue: "Your teddy is hiding underneath something soft and rectangular that we sit on." Your goal is for your child to find the toy. You can let them hide it and give you clues to guide your search, too!



Mark done

Do

Go outside for a walk with your child in your yard, your neighborhood or in a park. As you walk together, talk about the movements you are making. Are you going slow or fast? Can you hop or jump? Walk on tiptoe or zigzag? If you are in a safe space, encourage your child to run, gallop and skip. Is there something they might balance on like a curb (far away from cars!)? Your preschooler may enjoy taking turns identifying several



Mark done

Do

Make a Family Alphabet!

Tell the story of your family letter by letter! For each letter of the alphabet, share something special about your family. It can be anything! "A" is for the apple pie we make together. "B" is for the books we read at bedtime... Your child will love choosing each letter of your family story!



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*“Being in such a different place has been hard. Without friends or family, we have felt very alone at times. **Make Way for Books become our community.** When we come here, we feel connected.”*

- Participating family



PRINT MOTIVATION
SKILLS



COMPREHENSION
SKILLS



EXECUTIVE FUNCTION



VOCABULARY

98%

OF CHILDREN MAKE GAINS IN
EMERGENT LITERACY SKILLS



- Story School
- Cuéntame Collaborative





Volunteer Opportunities



LIBRARY OF CONGRESS LITERACY AWARD WINNER

2022
AMERICAN PRIZE





book by book, child by child, family by family,
empower.

Book Magic

Books are magic
And books are fun,
Books should be loved
By everyone!

Books give our brains
A great big start.
Books make us happy
And books make us smart!

Books are magic
For you and me
Books are important
To our family



Sung to the tune of
"Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star"

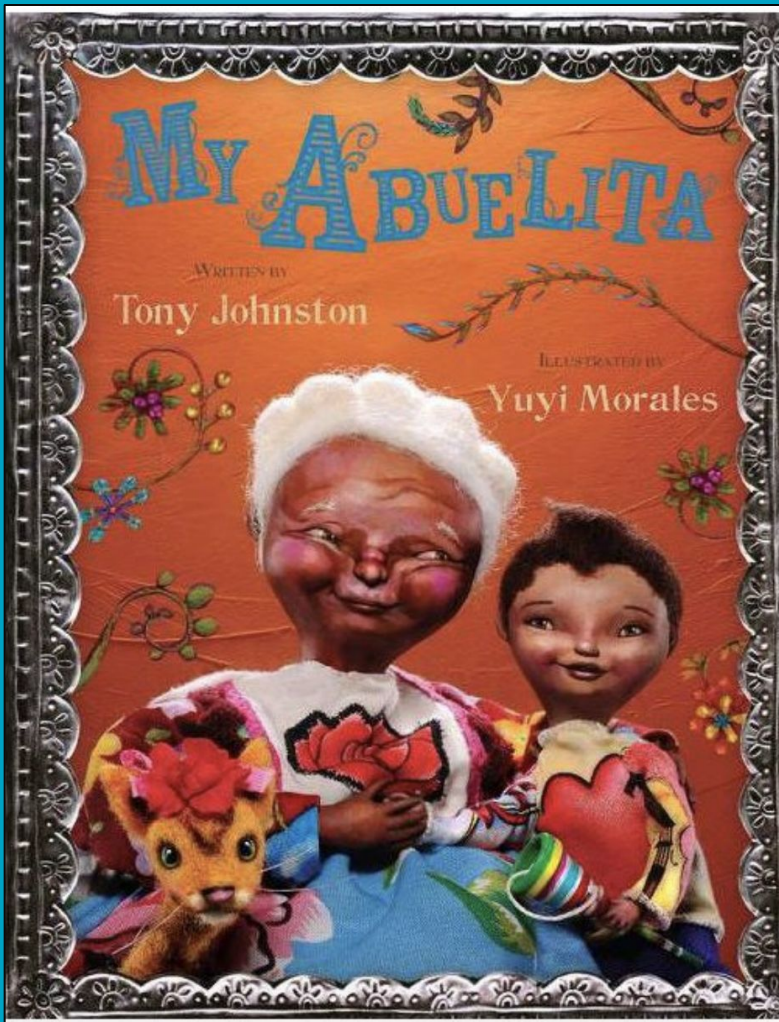


Magia de los Libros

Los libros son magia
Y diversión
Los debemos de tartar
Con precaución

Ellos nos ayudan a
empezar
Son para aprender
Y para disfrutar

Los libros son magia
Para mi
Los libros son magia
Para ti.



Share the
magic
of a book
with a child.

