



Summer Reading Assignment

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Reading to your child is so very important. Check out this article:

<https://bilingualkidspot.com/2017/10/19/benefits-importance-reading-young-children/>

Choose one of the books on the list to read to your child. Then, pick one of these assignments to complete:

- Have your child draw a picture to illustrate his/her favorite part.
- Have your child draw a picture of the 'setting' the story takes place.
- Have your child 'act out' his/her favorite part of the story.
- Have your child draw his/her favorite character from the book.

Books

Series

Laura Numeroff Books- KPrep students enjoy celebrating these delightfully fun stories during Laura Numeroff Week! We do special cooking activities to go along with each book.

Dr. Seuss Books- These imaginative tales often include rhyming and word families- a great boost for early reading. We dedicate a whole week to celebrate Dr. Seuss with special activities such as cooking and special crafts.

Mother Goose Nursery Rhymes- KPrep students participate in a parade featuring these stories.

Stories

The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn

School is starting in the forest, but Chester Raccoon does not want to go. To help ease Chester's fears, Mrs. Raccoon shares a family secret called The Kissing Hand to give him the reassurance of her love any time his world feels a little scary. Since its first publication in 1993, this heartwarming book has become a children's classic that touches the lives of millions of children and their parents, especially at times of separation, whether starting school, entering daycare, going to camp.

The Colors of Us by Karen Katz

A positive and affirming look at skin color, from an artist's perspective. Seven-year-old Lena is going to paint a picture of herself. She wants to use brown paint for her skin. But when she and her mother take a walk through the neighborhood, Lena learns that brown comes in many different shades. In KP/TK/K we emphasize God's great love for every one of his children.

City Shapes by Diana Murray

From shimmering skyscrapers to fluttering kites to twinkling stars high in the sky, everyday scenes become extraordinary as a young girl walks through her neighborhood noticing exciting new shapes at every turn. Far more than a simple concept book, *City Shapes* is an explosion of life. Diana Murray's richly crafted yet playful verse encourages readers to

discover shapes in the most surprising places, and Bryan Collier's dynamic collages add even more layers to each scene in this ode to city living. In KP/TK/K we explore shapes.

HUSH! By Minfong

Vivid ink and cut paper illustrations accompany the bedtime story in rhyme of one mother's efforts to keep all the animals from the mosquito to the elephant quiet when their noise threatens to wake up her baby. A Caldecott Honor Book. The repetition in this book is similar to other read aloud books we will enjoy this year.

The Favorite Daughter by Allen Say

Yuriko hates her name when the children make fun of it and call her "Eureka!" Though she is half Japanese, the teasing makes her want to hide, to retreat even from the art projects she used to love. Fortunately she has a patient, kind father who finds gentle ways of drawing her out and reminding Yuriko of the traditions they share that have always brought her joy: walks in lovely Golden Gate Park, lunch at their favorite sushi restaurant, watching the fog blow in off the bay. It's enough... it's more than enough to face down her challenges with confidence. God provides each child with a family to help care for and nurture their growth.