

Good morning! Welcome!

Please help yourself to some coffee  
or tea and add your ideas to the  
charts around the room!



# Using Picture Books to Engage Students in Literacy and Mathematics



Surrey School's Summer Institute 2017  
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# Acknowledgement



We recognize that we are here today to learn on the unceded, shared territories of the Coast Salish people on which our schools are located. We recognize the Katzie and Semiahmoo First Nations who have signed the Surrey Schools Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement.



# Who Are We?

- I am a Numeracy Helping Teacher
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- Mom to M&M, aged 14 and 12
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- Believe Math should be meaningful, engaging and build conceptual understanding





## Ginny:

- I am the Early Reading Advocate in Surrey (Changing Results for Young Readers).
- Have 12+ years experience in primary classrooms since 2000
- Mom to Vienna, Maxim & Oscar aged 12, 10 and 7
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- I believe joy and engagement are key to creating lifelong readers and learners.



# Learning Intentions

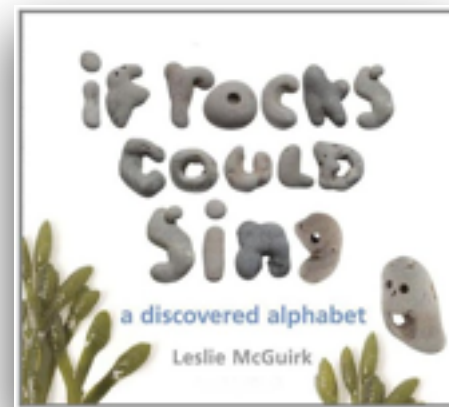
- I understand the characteristics/traits we want to develop in our readers and mathematicians, as well as the similarities between literacy and numeracy.
- I see how a picture book can be used over multiple days and across the curriculum.
- I have a couple of ideas to take away and try.



# Agenda

- What is the power of picture books?
- How do we connect great literature and use it as a vehicle for our curriculum?

- *If Rocks Could Sing*

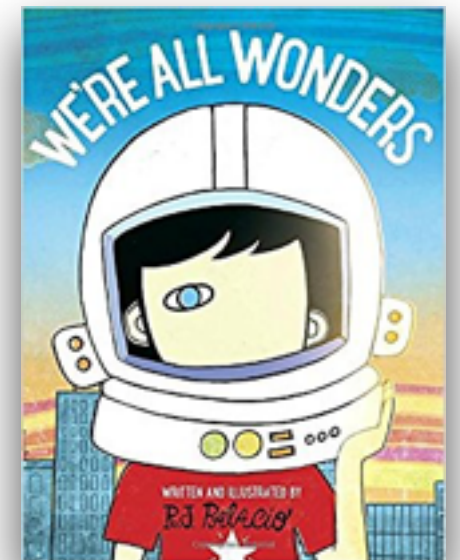


- **BREAK**

- *Please Please The Bees*



- *We're All Wonders*

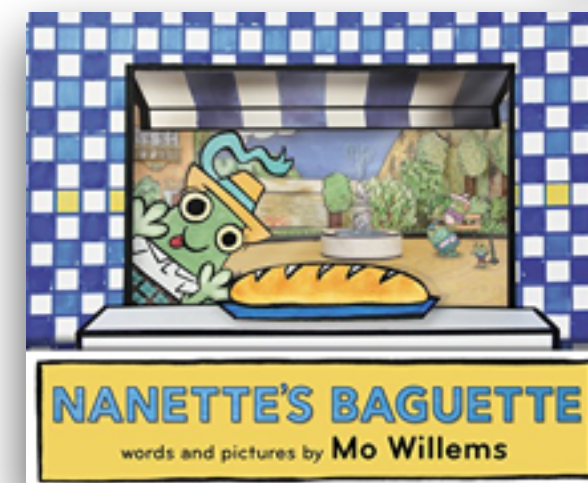


- **BREAK**

- *The Littlest Family's Big Day*



- *Nanette's Baguette*



- Book Browsing & Collaborative Planning

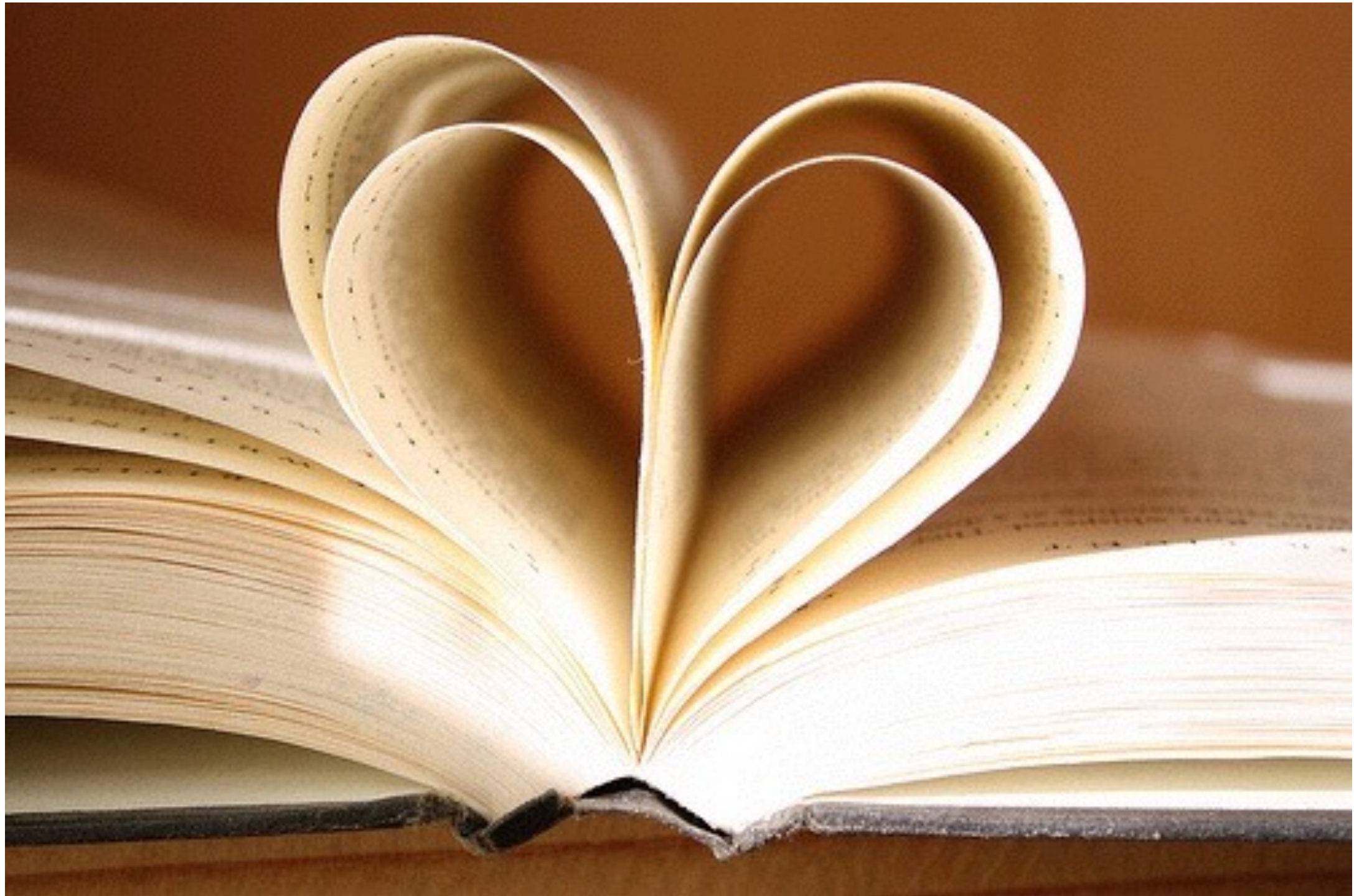


**Why do children  
love to hear the  
same stories...  
over and over?**

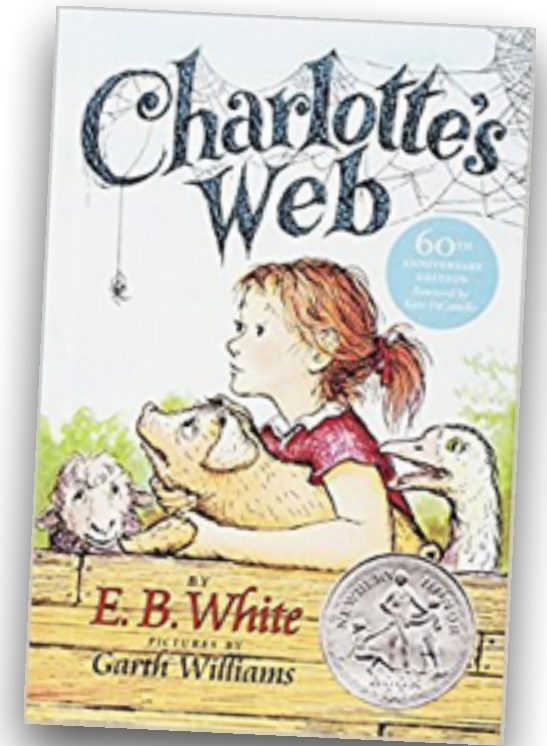
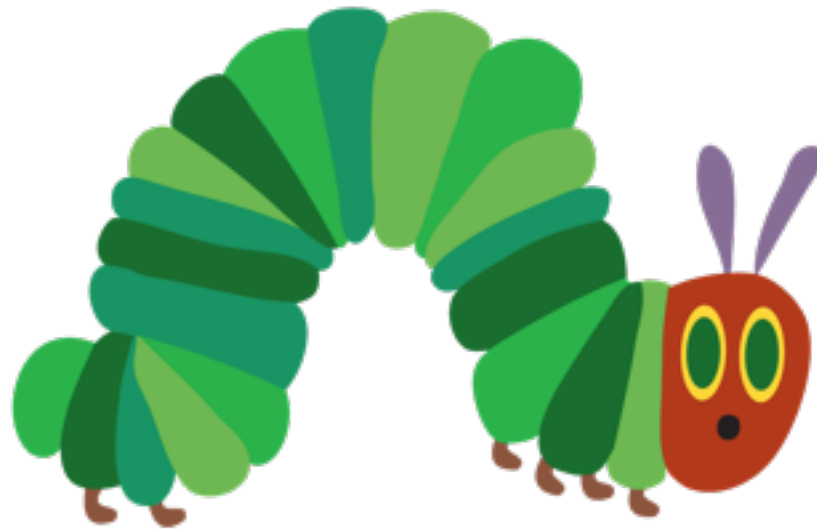




What book(s) have you read more than once?  
What was it about these books that made them so special?

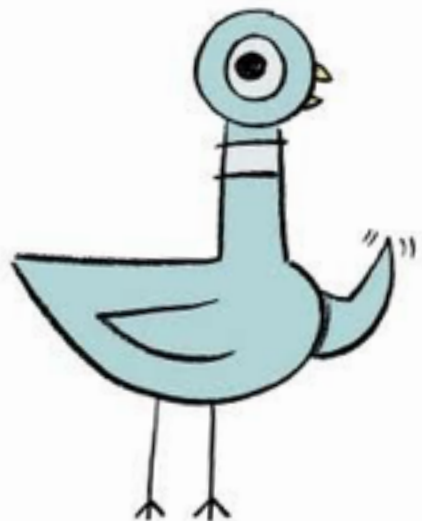






**“The powerful emotion of read-aloud experiences anchors them in our memories”**

**(Jan Burkins & Kim Yaris, 2016)**





# What learning is going on during read-alouds?

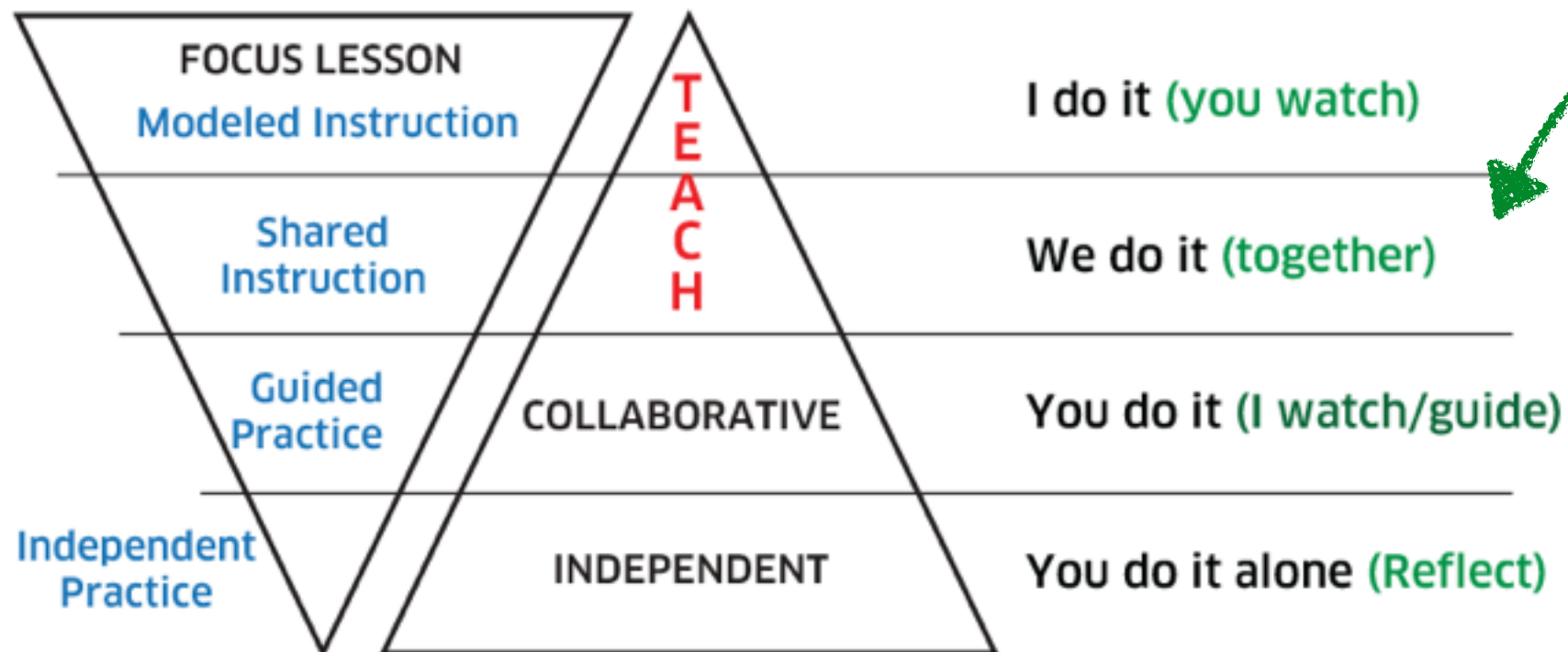


“Read-aloud is a teaching structure that introduces students to the joy of constructing meaning from text.”  
(Jan Burkis & Kim Yaris, “Who’s Doing the Work?”, 2016)



# The Gradual Release Model

## TEACHER RESPONSIBILITY



## STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Figure 1: The Gradual Release Model

Read-Alouds

Shared Reading

Guided Reading

Independent Reading

# What makes Read-Aloud special?

## Students learn:

- concepts related to print and books - left to right, letters and words
- awareness of sounds - rhyme, rhythm, and phonological awareness
- to see themselves as readers as they join in on refrains get to share their thinking in a safe and supportive community which provides formative assessment for the teacher
- are able to ask questions, construct ideas, and negotiate ideas



# What makes Read-Aloud special?

Read Alouds are inclusive of all learners, because the “*barrier of text is eliminated*”



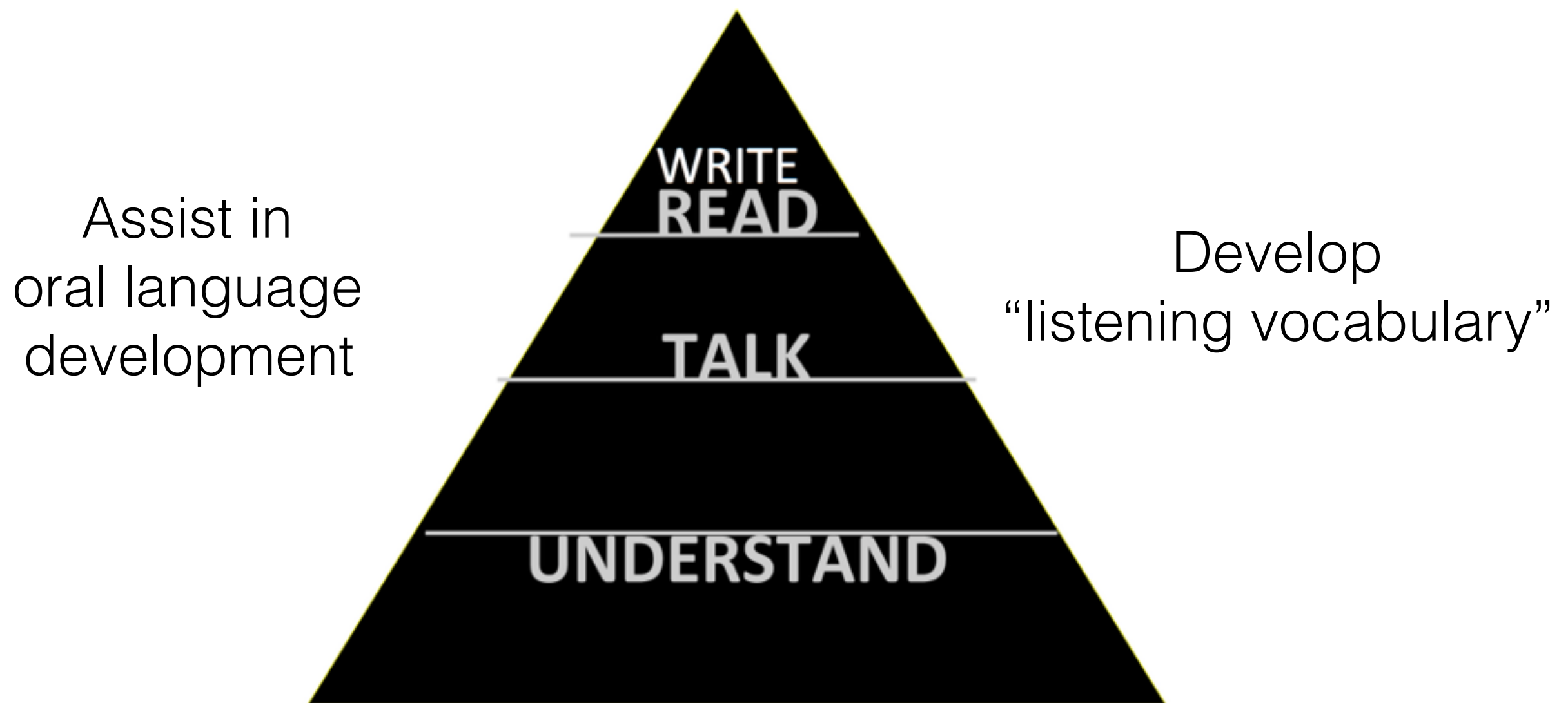
- Frees students from decoding and allows them to focus solely on the making-meaning & thinking part of reading.

***“Give those who have difficulty with print a chance to engage with their peers around texts that would otherwise be inaccessible”  
(Burkins & Yaris, 2016)***



# What makes Read-Aloud special?

- Exposure to vocabulary & ideas significantly beyond what students could currently read independently.



# What makes Read-Aloud special?

- Helps students understand the world through the experiences of others (cultures, places, social skills, history, inspiration)
- A safe place to discuss complicated topics and big ideas

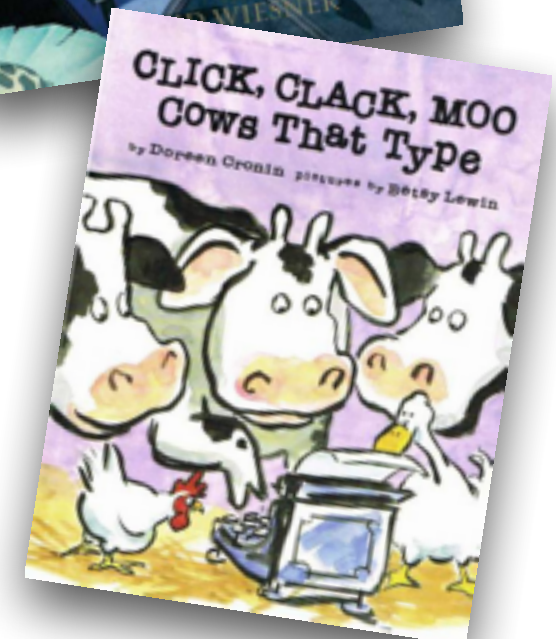


*“Vicariously participate in experiences”*



# What makes Read-Aloud special?

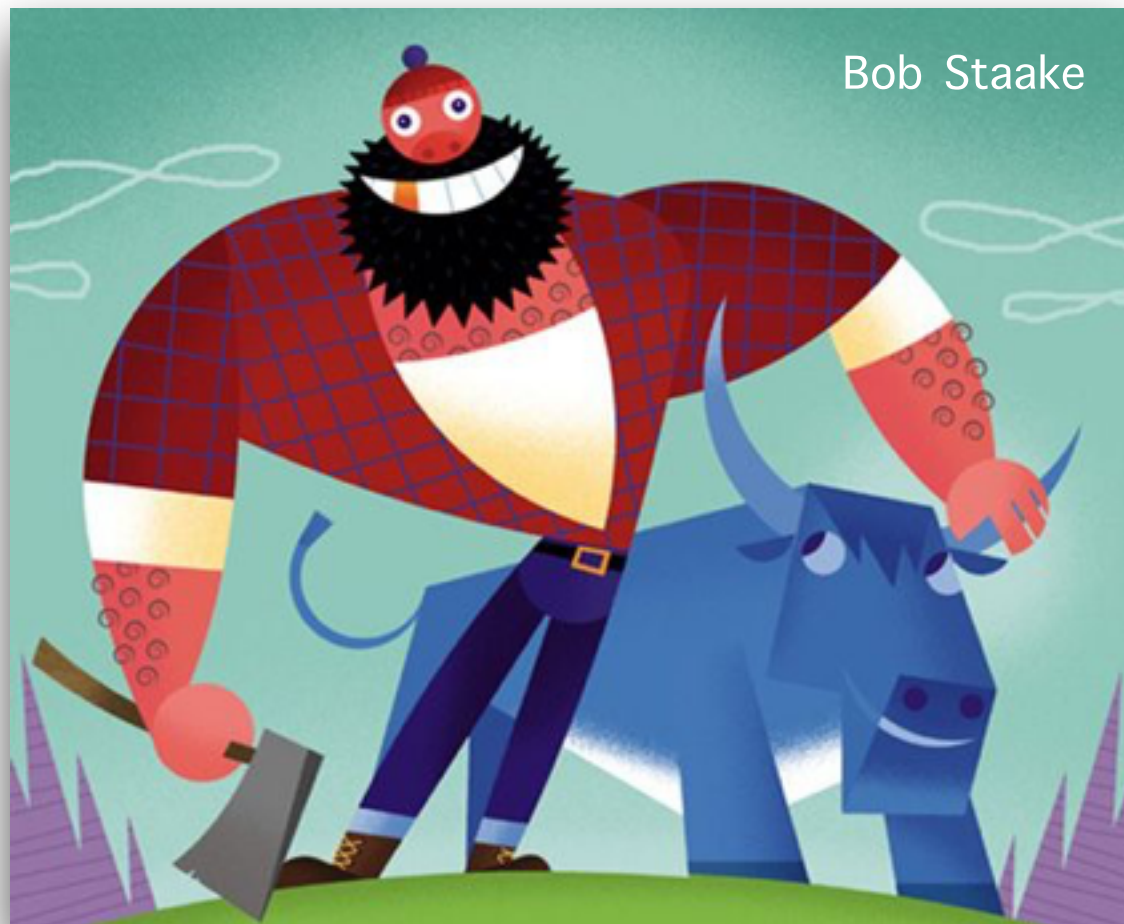
- Inspire students to read and write.  
Reading books aloud “sells” the value of reading and a joyful love of storytelling.
- Build students’ background knowledge.
- Offers children the opportunity to hear a fluent reader.



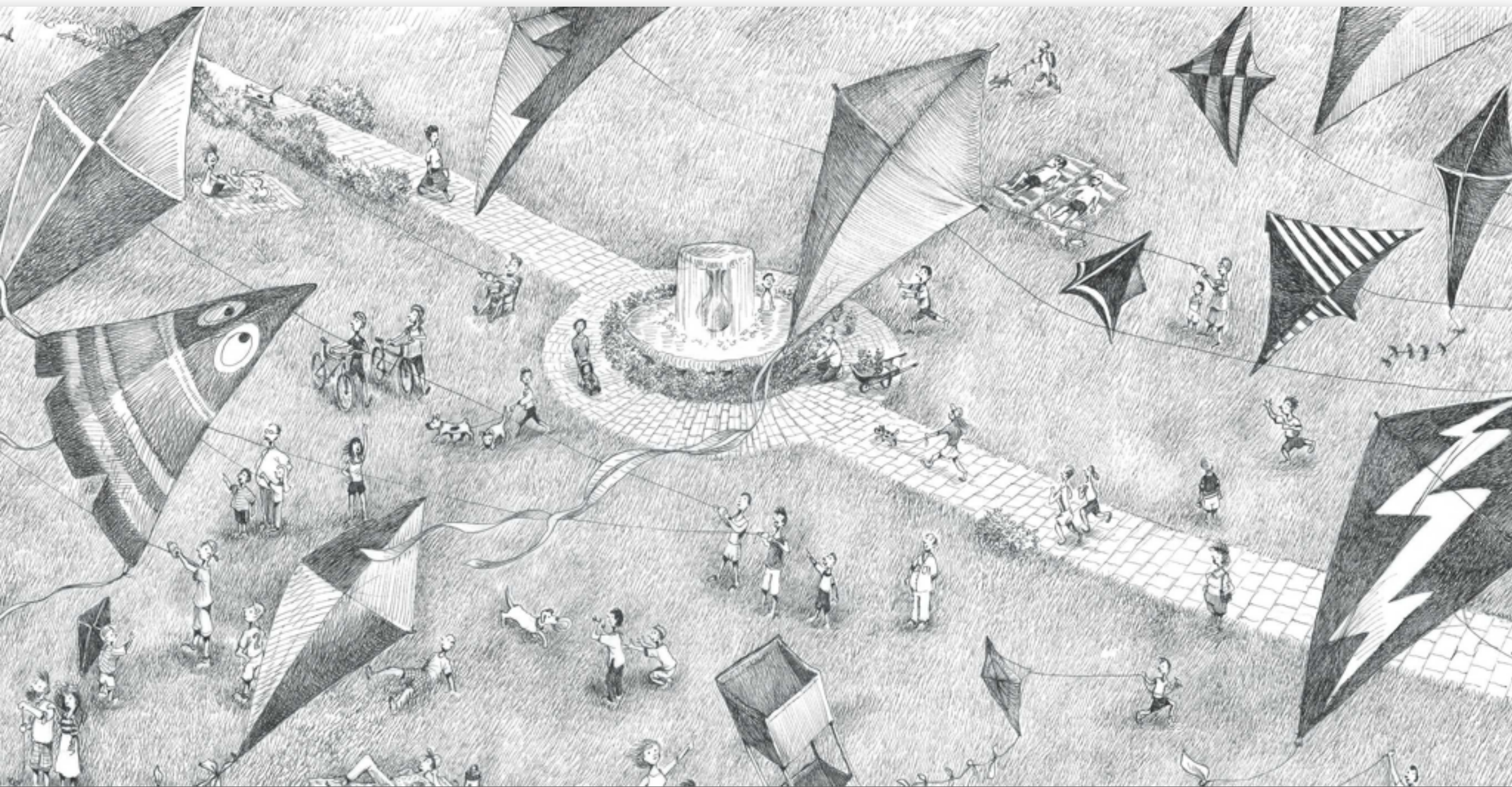


# What makes Read-Aloud special?

- **Artwork:** “Picture books offer children access to some of the world’s most talented artists who have devoted themselves to expressing themselves through book illustration. For many children, it is their first introduction to art.”  
(Linda Ravin Lodding, 2013)







“Spot the Cat” by Henry Cole





"The Polar Express" by Chris Van Allsburg





“Egg: Nature’s Perfect Package” by Steve Jenkins



# What makes Read-Aloud special?

- Help build classroom community! When we share a picture book, the whole class shares the same experience and develops shared vocabulary.



**Talk** is the key to  
making meaning  
during read-alouds!  
(Less us, more them)



In a **Typical read-aloud** the teacher models for the children what the language of books *sounds like*, what loving a book *looks like*, and what being lost in a story *feels like*.

- Also known as the “untaught story”
- Less talk, yet still engaging students in conversations about the text’s meaning and enjoyable parts.

An **Interactive Read Aloud** accomplishes everything the traditional read aloud does and more! Using a book for an instructional purpose.

# How does an “Interactive” Read Aloud differ from a “Typical” Read Aloud?

## The teacher:

- has a clear, intentional, instructional purpose for reading the book.
- engages their students **before**, **during** and **after** the read aloud to model comprehension strategies, such as making connections, activating prior knowledge, questioning, etc.
- models his/her thinking aloud





# An interactive read aloud...

## **BEFORE:**

- Introduce the title, and look at the cover.

**“What do you think this book might be about?”**

**“Where do you think this story takes place?”**

**“Can you think of any words we might hear in this book?”**

- Share learning intentions.
- Assess and build background knowledge. Share prior experiences.



# An interactive read aloud...

## **DURING:**

- Stop at pre-planned key parts of the book, give opportunities for the children to turn & talk.

**“What are you wondering?”**

**“What do you like about this book so far?”**

**“Does this story remind you of anything?”**

**“What do you already know about \_\_\_\_?”**

- Think - connect - predict - visualize - and wonder
- Raise literacy and numeracy connections to the book.





# An interactive read aloud...

## **AFTER:**

- As students are able to think beyond the literal meaning of the text, dig deeper with questions like:

**“What message or big idea is the author trying to tell us?”**

**“Why might this character have acted that way?”**

**“How else could the problem have been solved?”**

**“What questions are you left with? What are you still wondering?”**

**“What would you have changed?”**



Meaningful talk allows our youngest readers to experience what all readers do as they read independently. (Pat Johnson & Katie Keire, 2010)

**“Talk** serves a variety of purposes. It’s a time for the students to negotiate the meaning of the text together; to share their thoughts, opinions, and connections; or to make predictions of what’s to come. They support each other as they dig deeper to construct that meaning.”

*(Pat Johnson & Katie Keier, “Catching Readers Before They Fall”, 2010)*





# How is this connected to the curriculum?

## Readers and Mathematicians need to:

- Have a positive attitude; they need to believe they are capable, see themselves as readers and as mathematicians, be willing to wonder and ask questions, and persevere.
- Be flexible in their thinking, using reasoning, and employ various strategies.
- Be problem solvers who engage, make predictions/estimations, and visualize, and focus on sense making.
- Communicate in different ways, and explain and justify their ideas.
- Connect and reflect; They need to listen and learn from others, be metacognitive and be able to make and share connections.



# Similarities Between Readers and Mathematicians

Characteristics of Readers	Characteristics of Mathematicians
They call upon their prior knowledge to make meaning from text.	They call upon prior knowledge to understand concepts and solve problems.
They predict and monitor understanding as they read.	They estimate and continually check, asking “Does this make sense?”
They have a mental image of what they are reading.	They create multiple representations mathematics concepts and problems.
They use flexible strategies to help them make sense of unknown words.	They use flexible strategies to help them problem solve.
They can clearly explain their interpretation of the text to others.	They can clearly explain their mathematical thinking to others.

Adapted from Laney Sammons (2011) *Building Mathematical Comprehension*



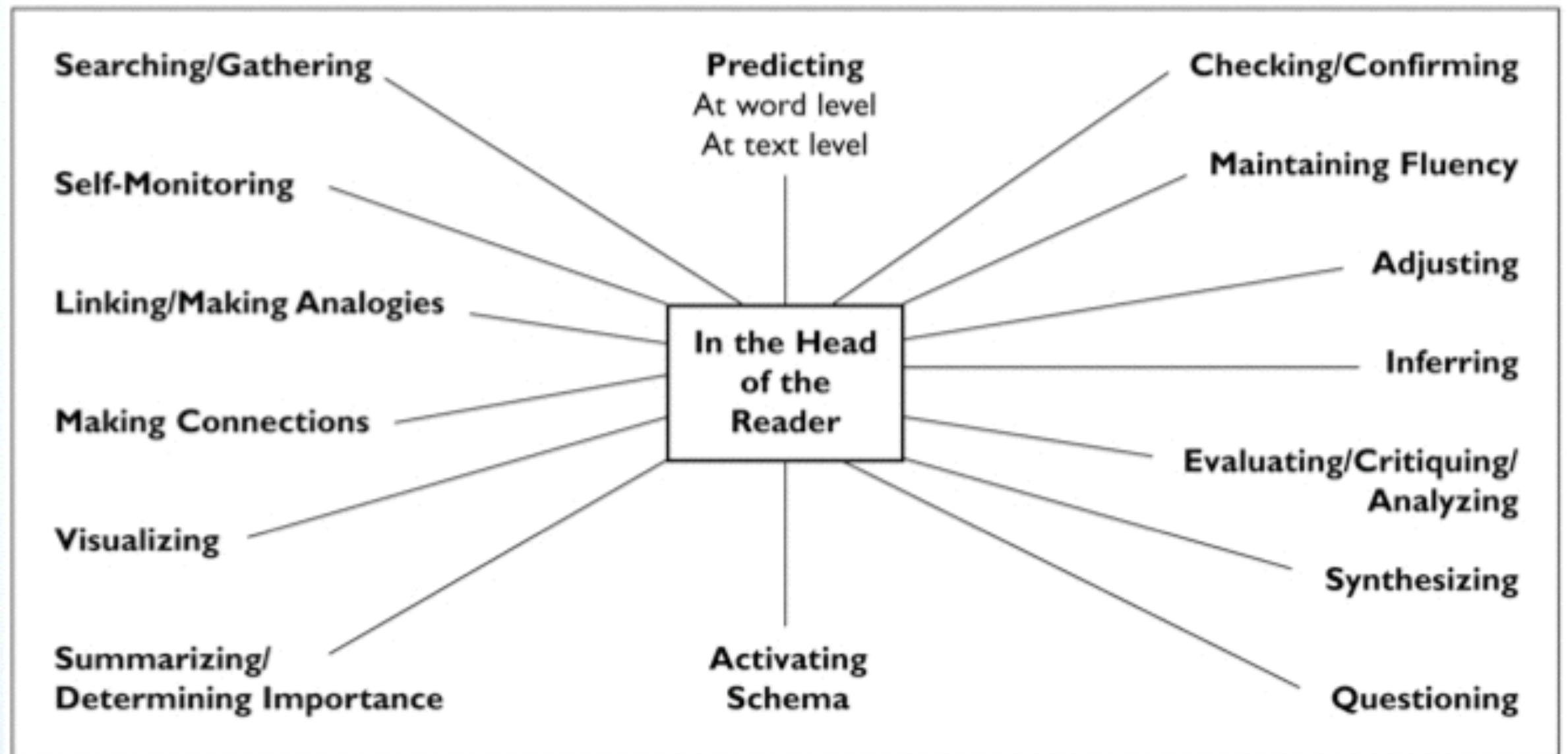
# Habits of Mind: NUMERACY



aka our “Curricular Competencies”

Reasoning and Analyzing  
Understanding and Solving  
Communicating and Representing  
Connecting and Reflecting

# Habits of Mind: LITERACY



Adapted from Schulman 2006, Fountas and Pinnell 2001, and Johnson 2006.

Alphabet  
Recognition

Letter/Sound  
Knowledge

Sight  
Words

Oral  
Language

Phonemic/  
Phonological  
Awareness

Comprehend and Connect

Create and Communicate



# CORE COMPETENCIES

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## Communication

1. Connect and engage with others
2. Acquire, interpret, and present information
3. Collaborate to plan, carry out, and review constructions and activities
4. Explain/recount and reflect on experiences and accomplishments

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## Creative Thinking

1. Novelty and value
2. Generating ideas
3. Developing ideas

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## Critical Thinking

1. Analyze and critique
2. Question and investigate
3. Develop and design

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## Positive Personal & Cultural Identity

1. Relationship and cultural contexts
2. Personal values and choice
3. Personal strengths and abilities

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## Personal Awareness & Responsibility

1. Self-determination
2. Self-regulation
3. Well-being

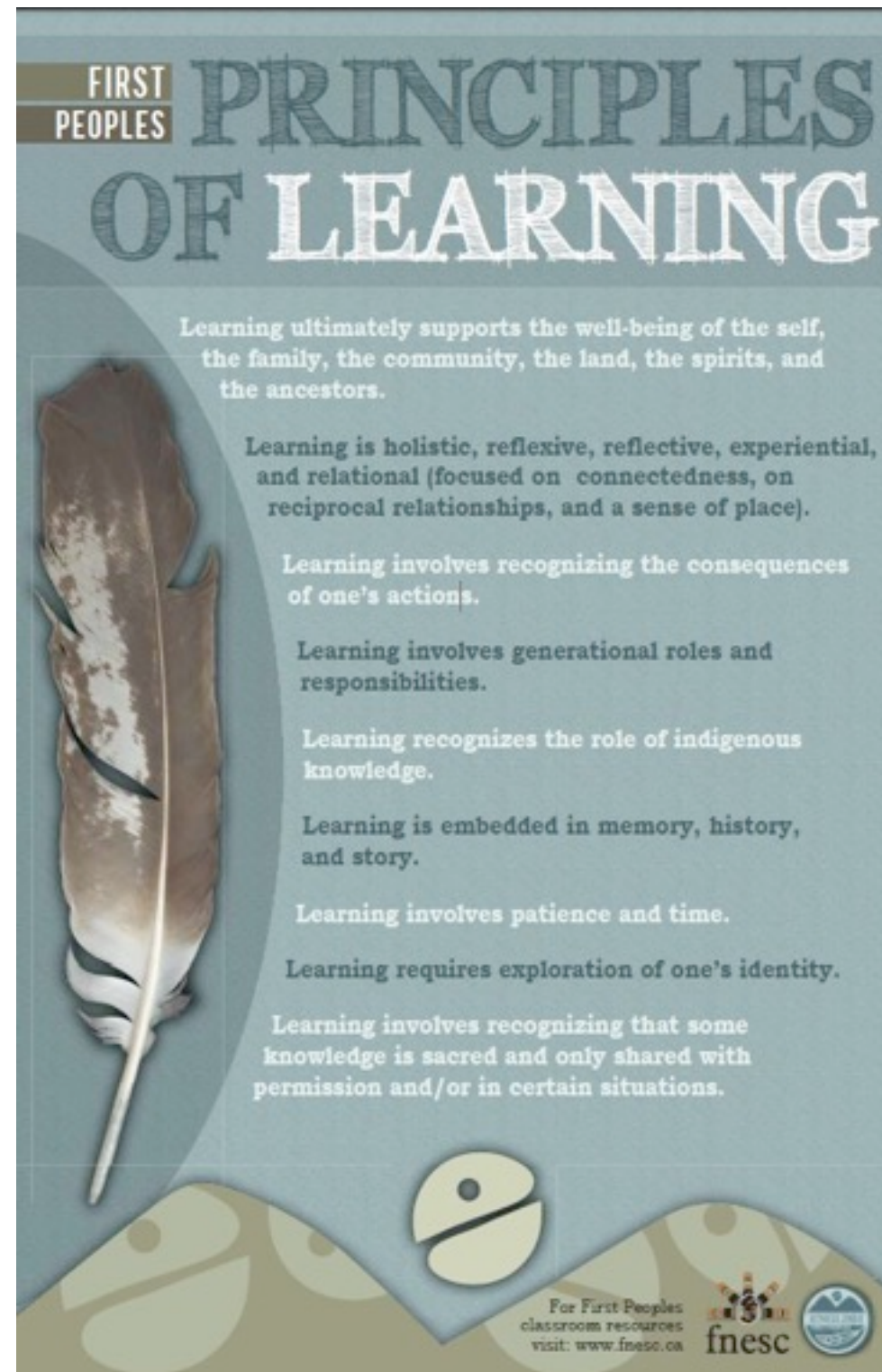
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## Social Responsibility

1. Contributing to community and caring for the environment
2. Solving problems in peaceful ways
3. Valuing diversity
4. Building Relationships

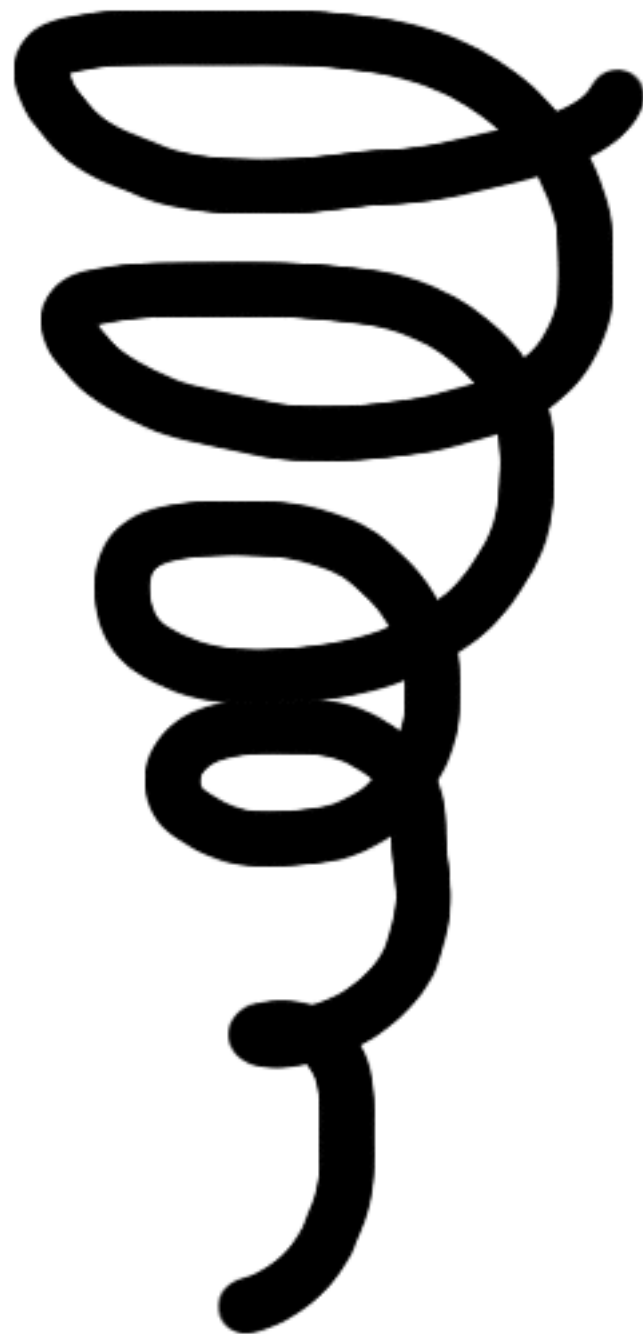
The **DOING** is as important as the **KNOW**ing and **UNDERSTANDING**!

# What do we know about effective learning?





# Learning is recursive.



Concepts and competencies need to be revisited throughout the year.

Just like when we reread a favourite book, we often find we learn something new with each read. The same holds true for revisiting math concepts. We make stronger connections!

No more doing just Patterning in September and then never again! Patterning should go on throughout the year!

# Learning is wholistic

Can multiple competencies and concepts be explored?  
Can we make connections to ourselves as learners,  
connections within the disciplines and across them, as  
well as connections to our world?

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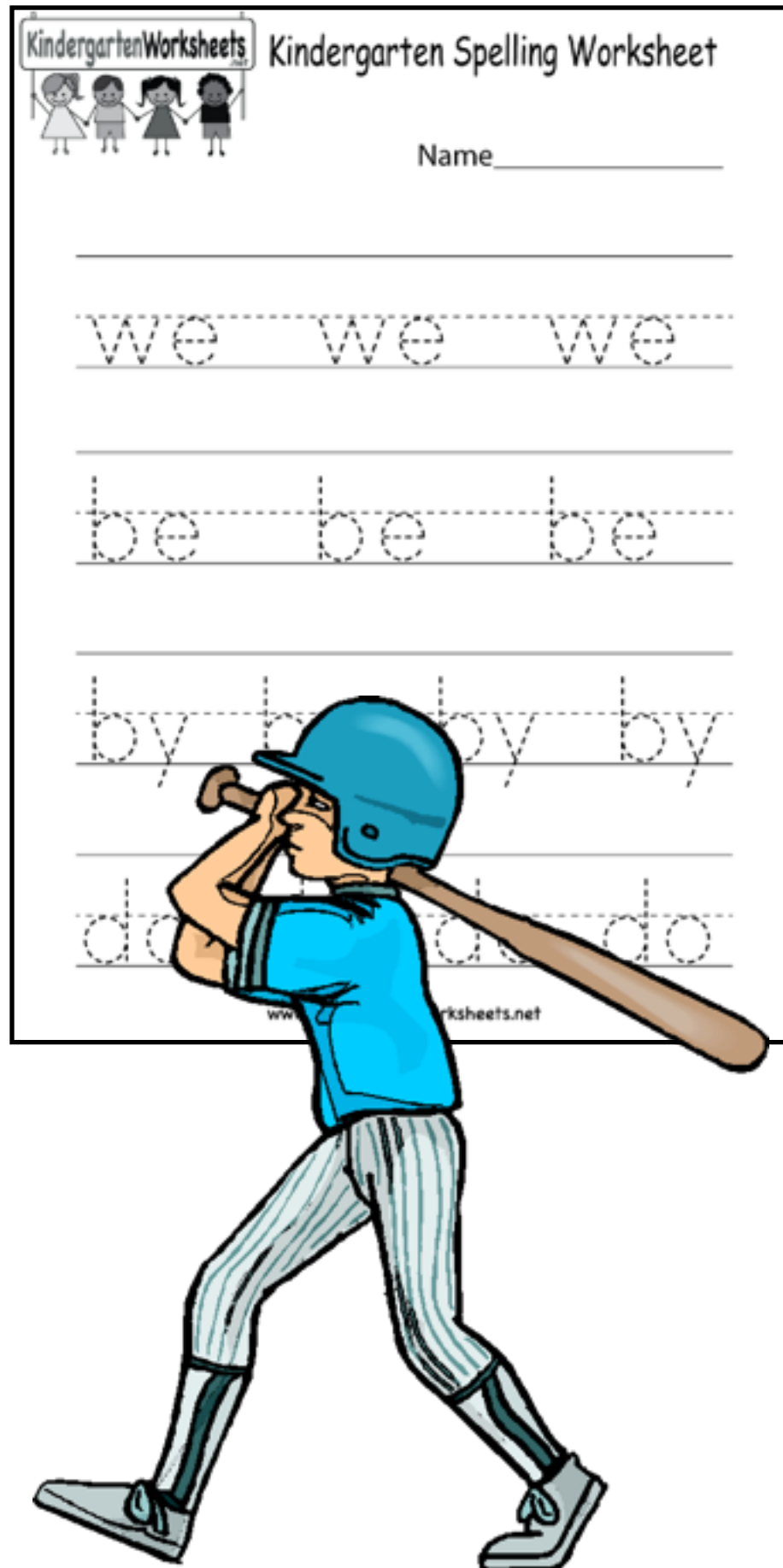
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Research evidence suggests that application of a concept, in varying contexts or in ways that offer sense-making opportunities, is more effective in building true fluency than doing repeated, nearly identical manipulations of numbers. (NCTM, 2014)





“A good analogy is baseball. For a person learning to play baseball, batting practice is an important part of learning how to play the game. However, imagine a person who has never [played] a baseball game. Making that person do nothing but batting practice may lead to the misconception that baseball is about standing at the plate and repeatedly swinging at the ball. That person would miss the purpose of baseball and would think it a boring way to spend an afternoon.” (Stahl, 1992).

# Getting Started: Designing Learning Opportunities

1. What is my **PURPOSE**? What is/are my learning intention(s)?

What content does the book address?

How will we engage our students as readers/writers/mathematicians - in the “**DOING**” of literacy and numeracy?

What do we want them to **KNOW** and ultimately **UNDERSTAND**?



# Formative Assessment



We as teachers, must know our learning intentions.

We share these with our students.

We circulate and observe. Based on what we see, we ask questions to clarify our understanding and nudge learning forward.

We document the learning we see using anecdotal notes, photos, videos, and student work samples.

2. Is the learning **INCLUSIVE**? Are there entry points for ALL students?

Shelley Moore (author and Richmond School District Teacher Consultant)

<https://blogsomemoore.com/>





Lessons that provided an entry point for all and allow each student to work to their potential

**Learning Intentions for:**

**ALL**

**SOME**

**FEW**



Think about that child in your class that seems to struggle the most.

**How would he/she participate in *this* activity?**



Can everyone “get in” at their developmental stage?



### 3. Is the learning opportunity **PLAYFUL** and **ENGAGING**?

Exciting literature

Inviting Materials

Connected to students' interests

Multi-modal - hands on, kinesthetic, visual, auditory

Opportunities for Collaboration

Organized



***“Almost all creativity involves purposeful play.”***

**- Abraham Maslow**

What do you consider when designing learning opportunities & why do you believe they are important?





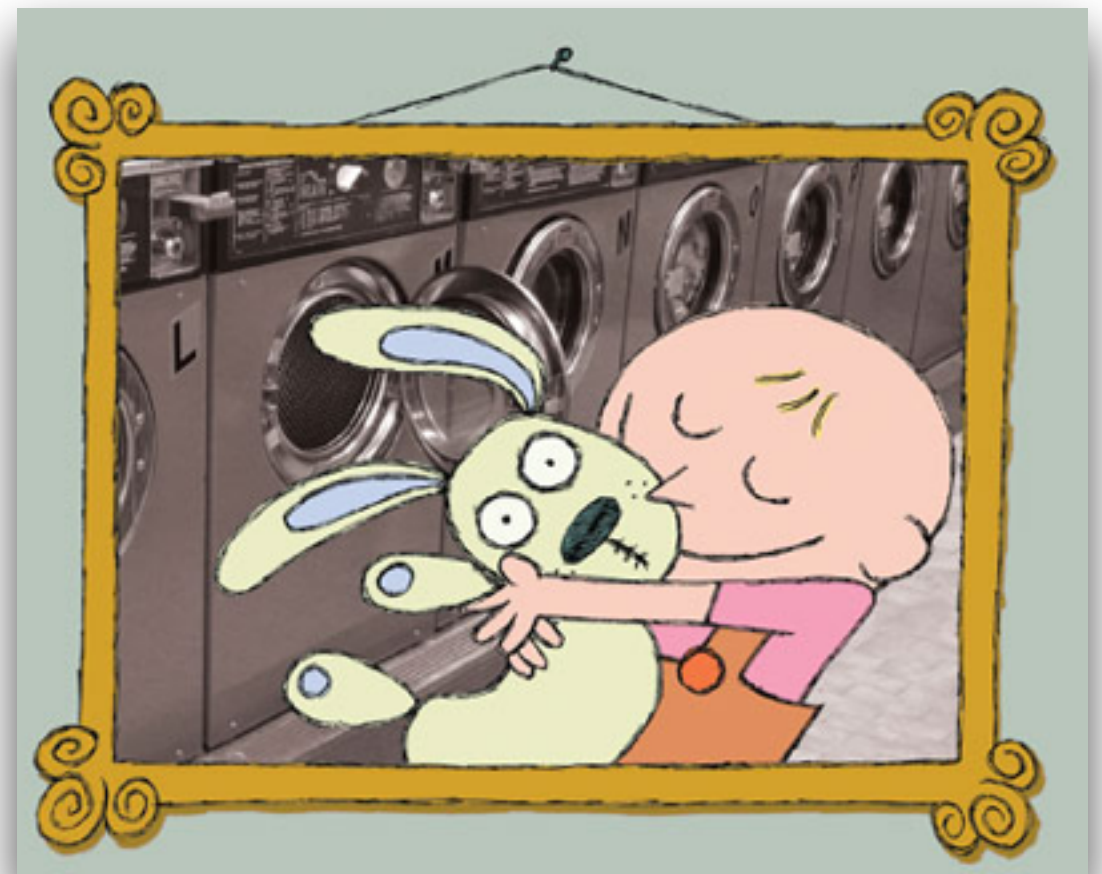


How do you select  
a great book to teach with?

# Selecting books for interactive read-alouds:

1. The **interests** of your students  
(What would they find engaging? What would give enough “meat” for discussion and exploration?)

*“Great texts have the inherent power to teach in spite of us, but if the texts aren’t engaging, teaching opportunities will be limited.”*  
(Burkins & Yaris, 2016)





# Selecting books for interactive read-alouds:

## 2. Look for **excellent, high quality** books:

- offer insight into the lives of children their age, but who live very different lives
- introduce fascinating topics or information
- offer new perspectives on familiar topics
- topics they want to know more about
- by familiar authors

Caldecott Medal -  
USA Picture book artist



U of Calgary site



Orbis Pictus - non-fiction

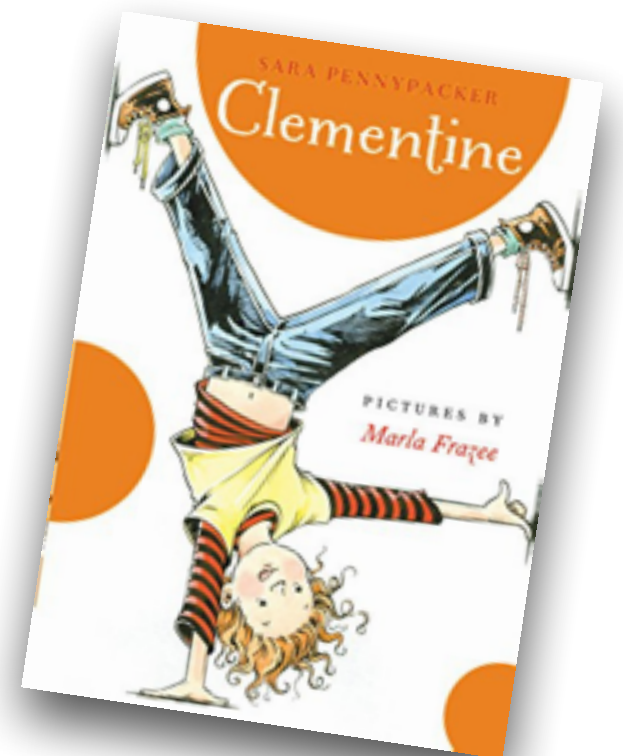


# Selecting books for interactive read-alouds:

3. Consider the average **reading ability** of your students
  - select something most of the students could not read independently
  - find the “sweet spot”! If you have to explain/ elaborate every few sentences, it is too hard to understand.

## 4. **Variety**

- genres (we tend to read more fiction than non-fiction)
- represent genders, cultures, socio-economic and age diversity

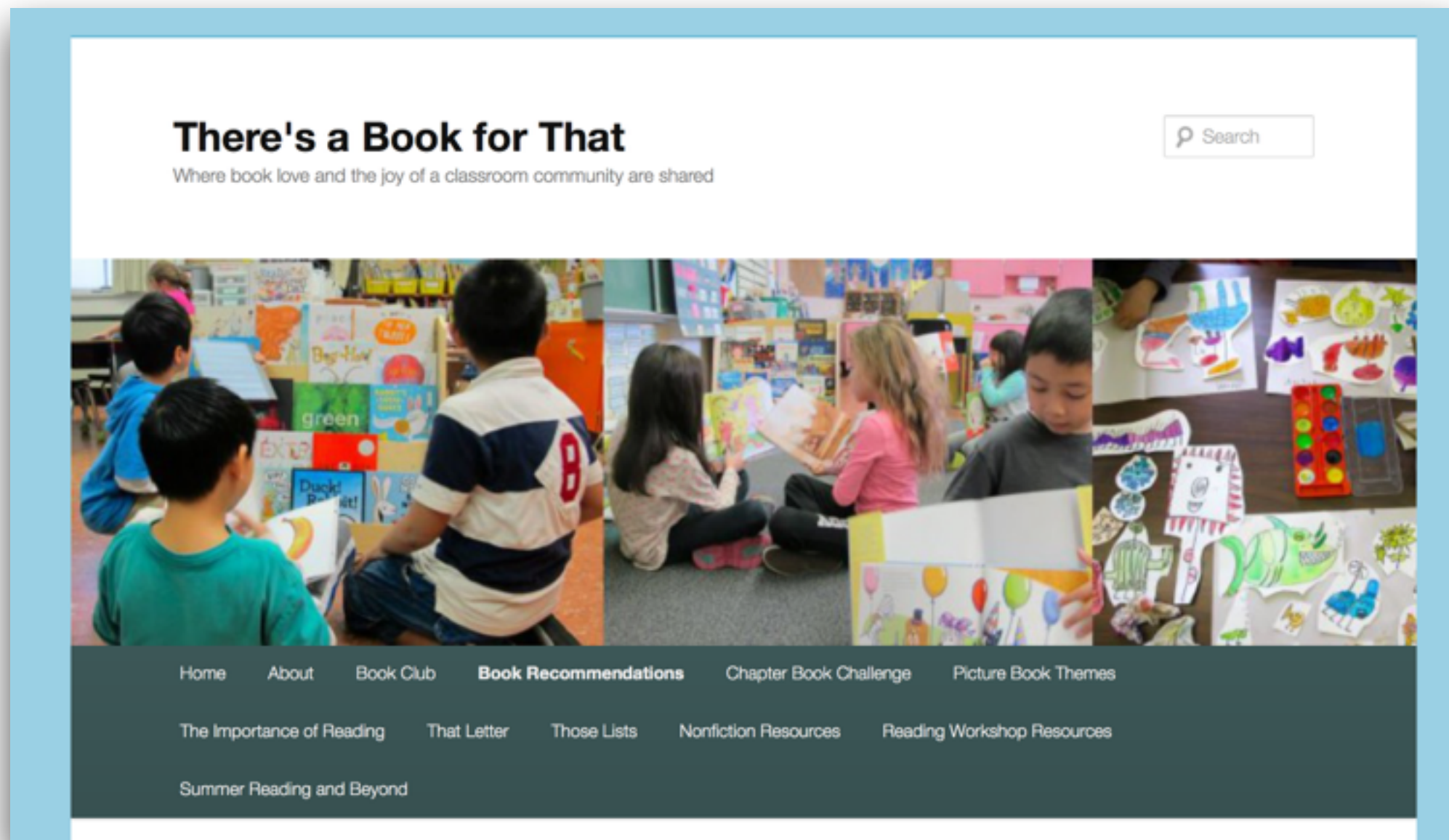




Bloggers make great suggestions and offer reviews.

*Carrie Gelson: <https://thereisabookforthat.com>*

*Twitter: @CarrieGelson*

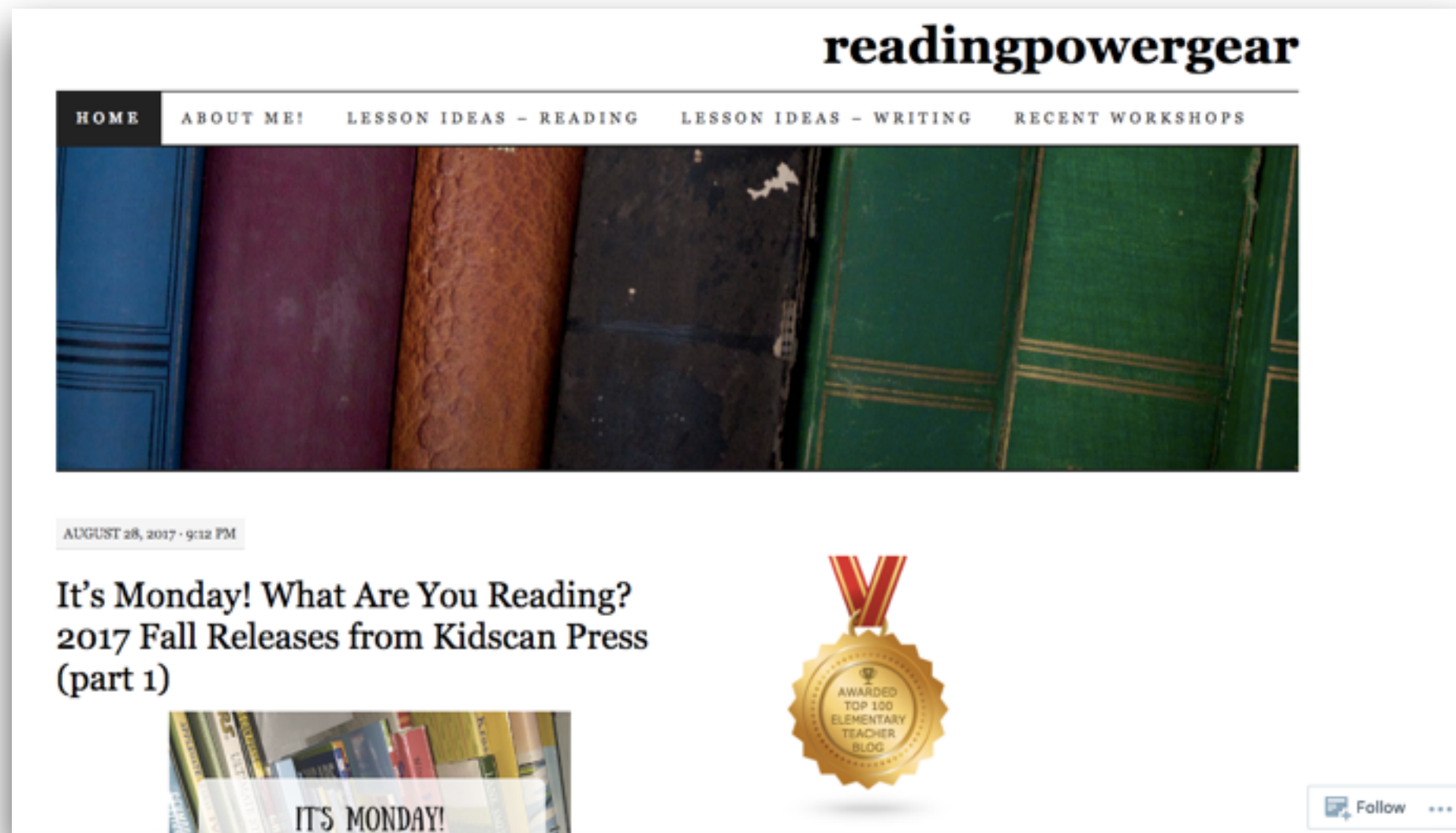


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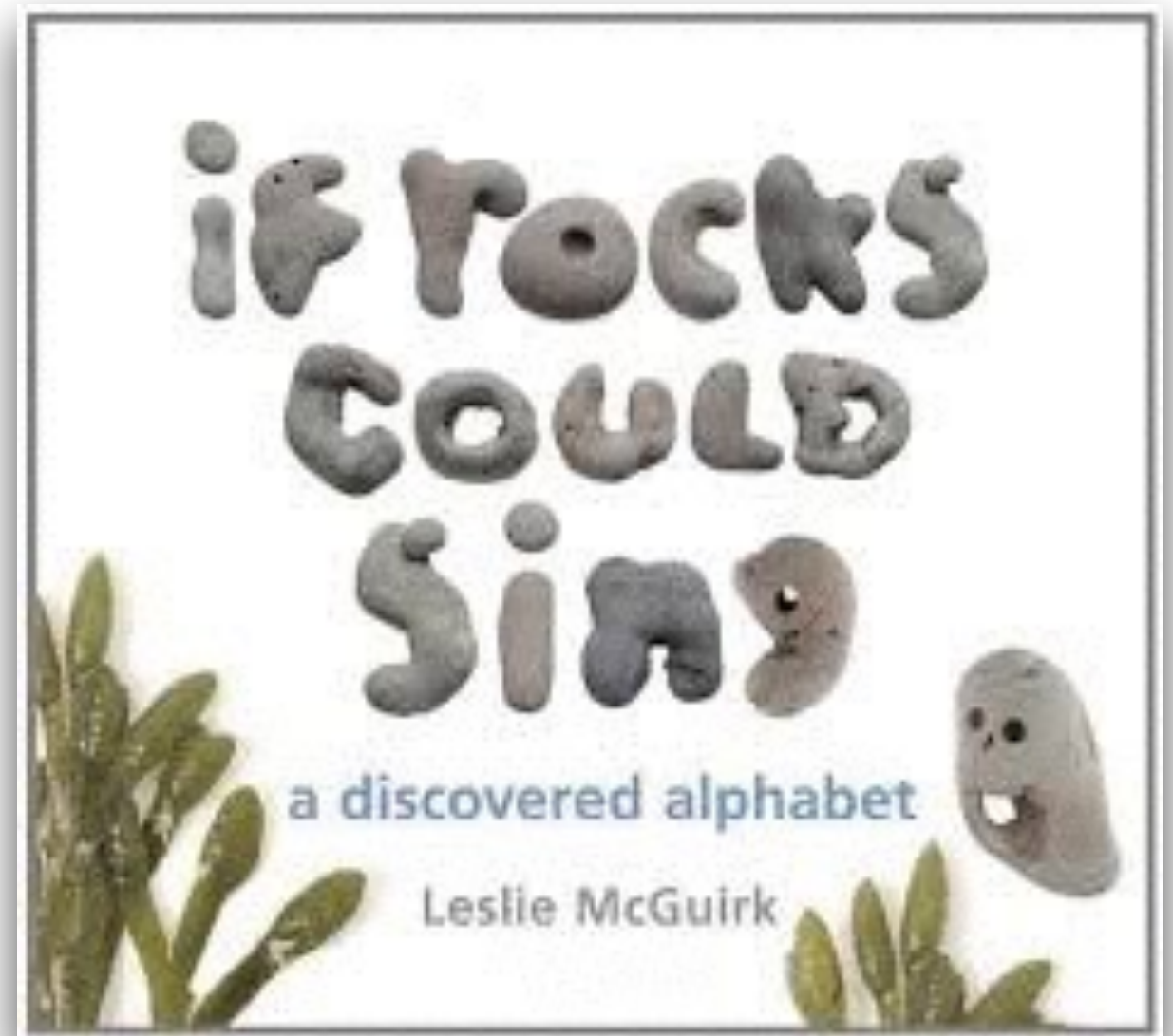


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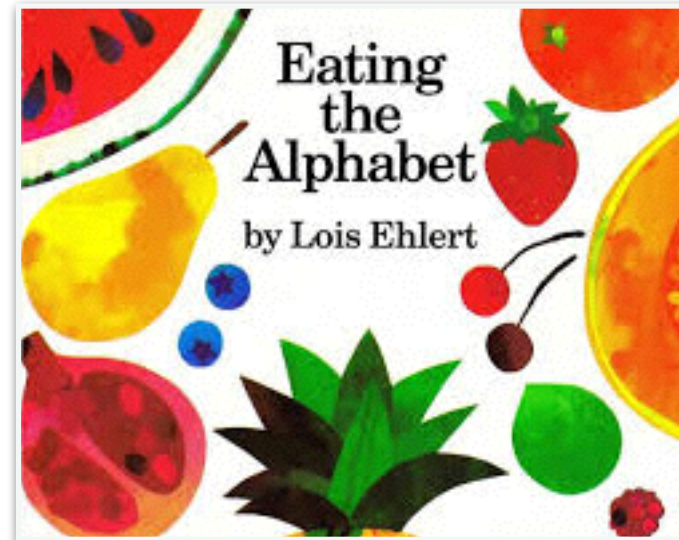
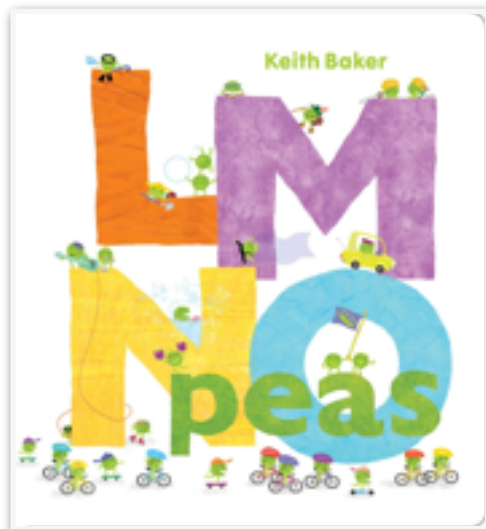
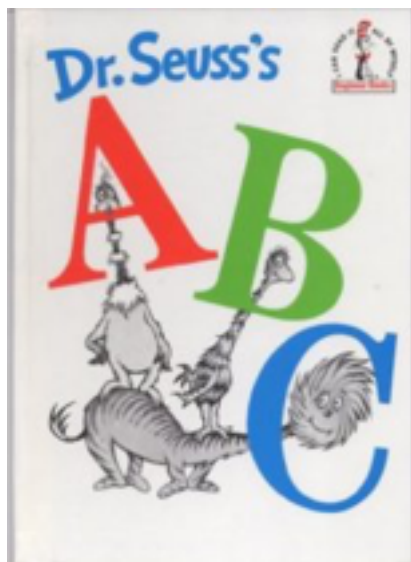
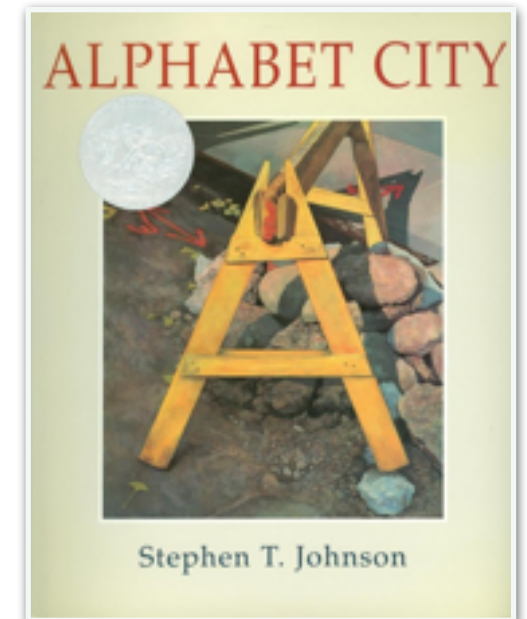
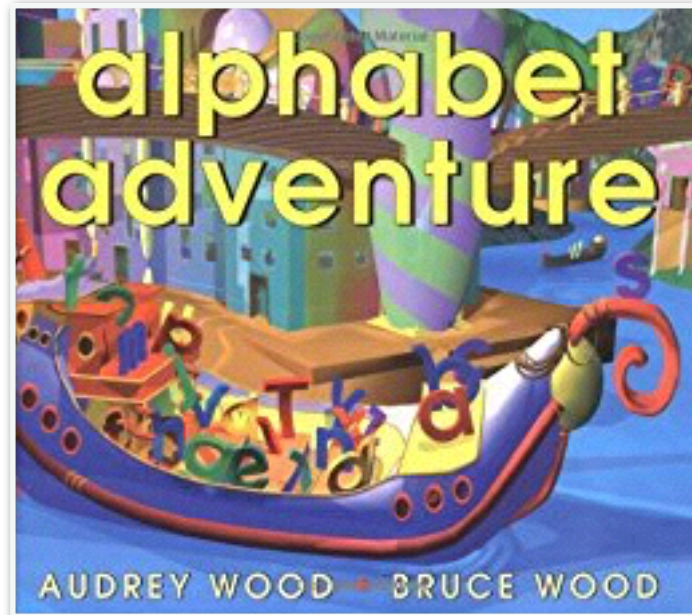
by Leslie McGuirk

Author Leslie McGuirk spent 10 years collecting rocks along a Florida seashore that resembled the letters of the alphabet. Additionally, she collected rocks that resembled items that begin with each letter.

The result is this extraordinary alphabet book.



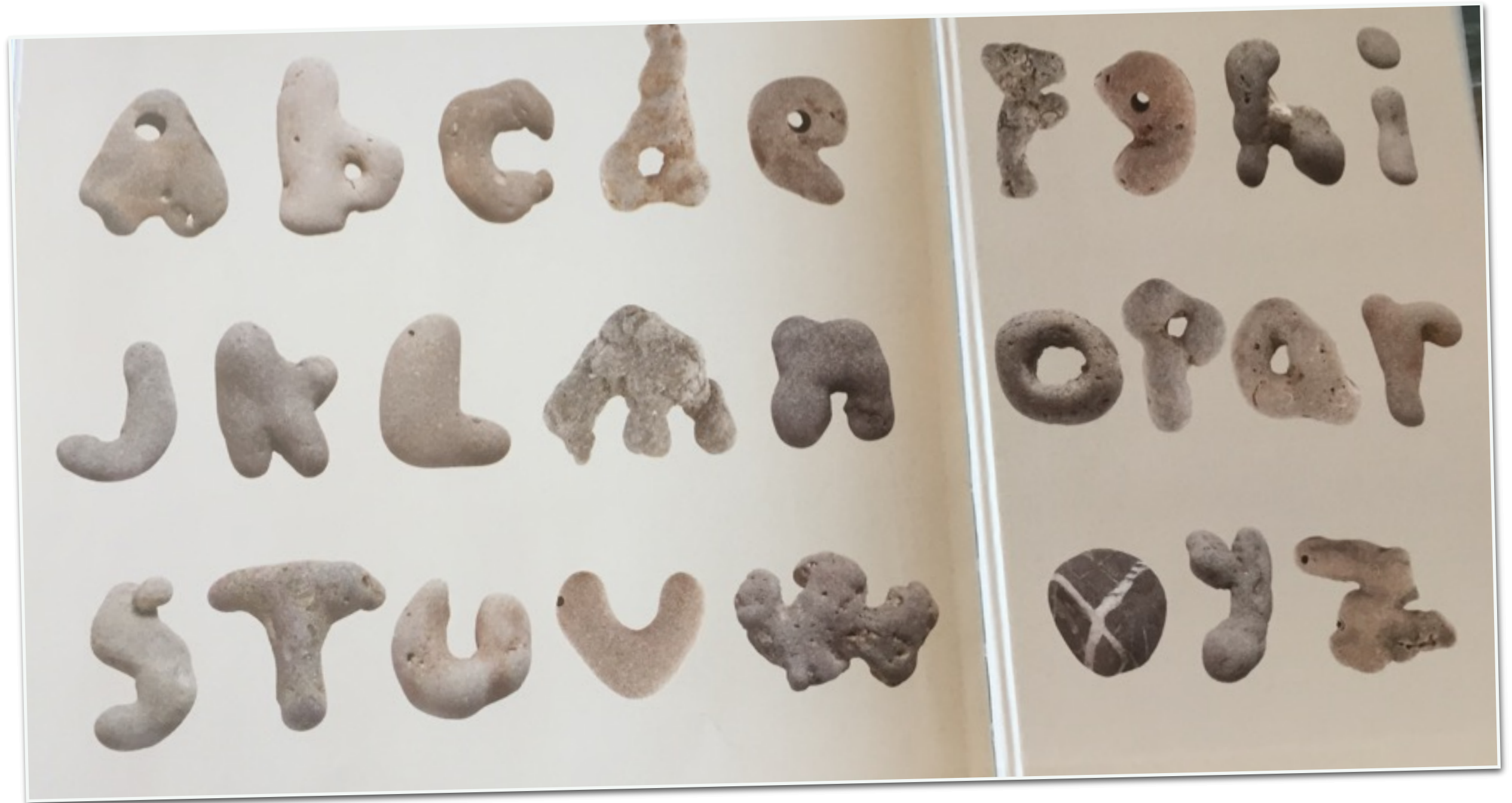
# Alphabet Books



“Reading alphabet books provides a medium in which print is discussed significantly more frequently when compared to storybook reading” (Smolkin, Yaden, Brown, & Hofius, 1992).



Which letter do you think was the most difficult for her to find?





**“Spatial sense is about being able to visualize, or picture things in the mind, as well as manipulate (move, rotate, bend) objects and shapes in space ”**

(Taking Shape: K-2, 2016)

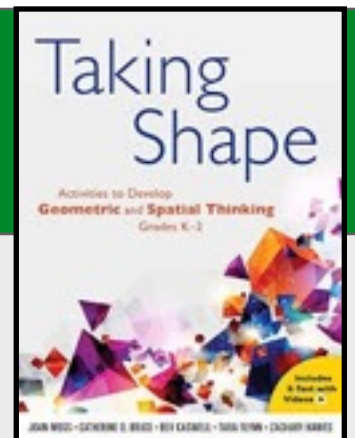
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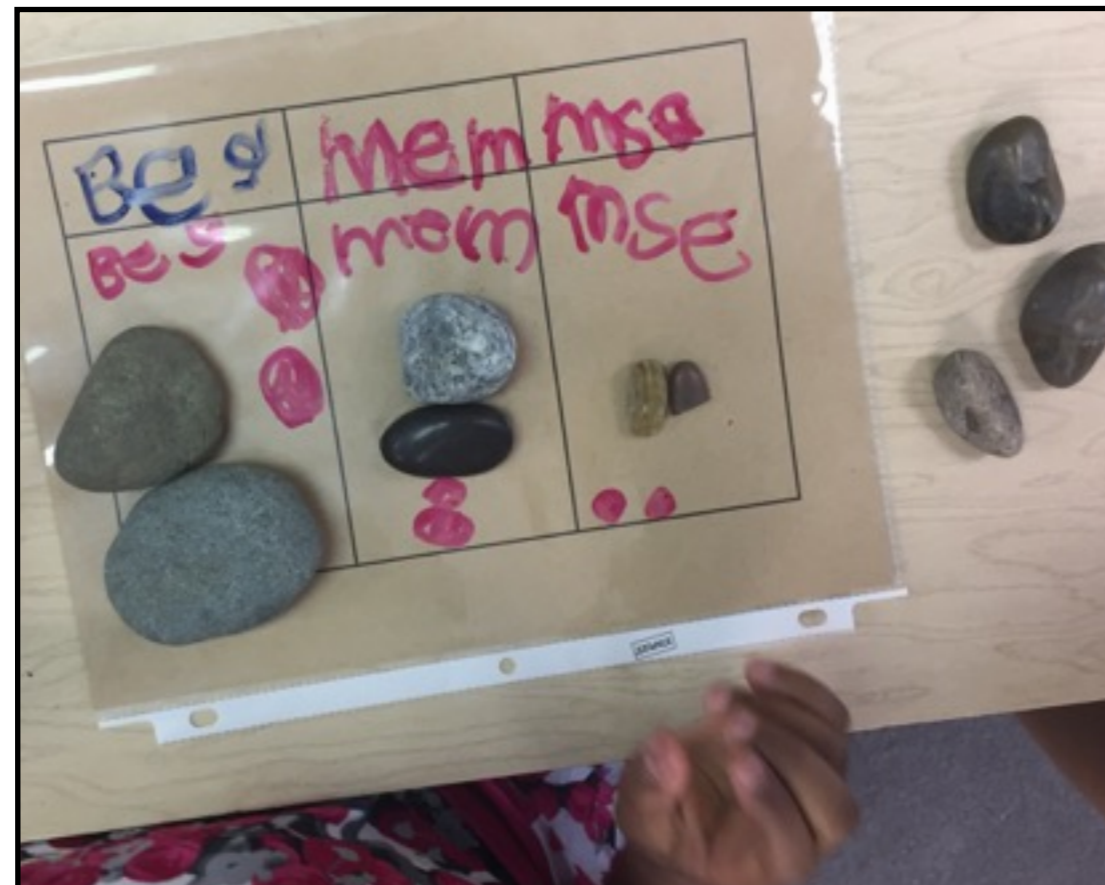
I can create different shapes.

I can identify the shapes I created using mathematical language (e.g., square, triangle, circle).

I can compare the attributes of the different shapes I created.







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I can identify and describe attributes of rocks.

I can sort and classify rocks by a single attribute.

I can compare multiple attributes of rocks.



# What patterns can you create?

- Patterns can be circular!
- What do you notice about the mandalas?







## What is a Mandala?

A mandala is a geometric design meant to symbolize the universe and our connection to it. It represents both the visible world around us (the circle is the whole world) and the invisible one inside our minds and bodies (the centre is the healing circle). It is an art form that is found in many cultures around the world.



“How does your Mandala represent you?”

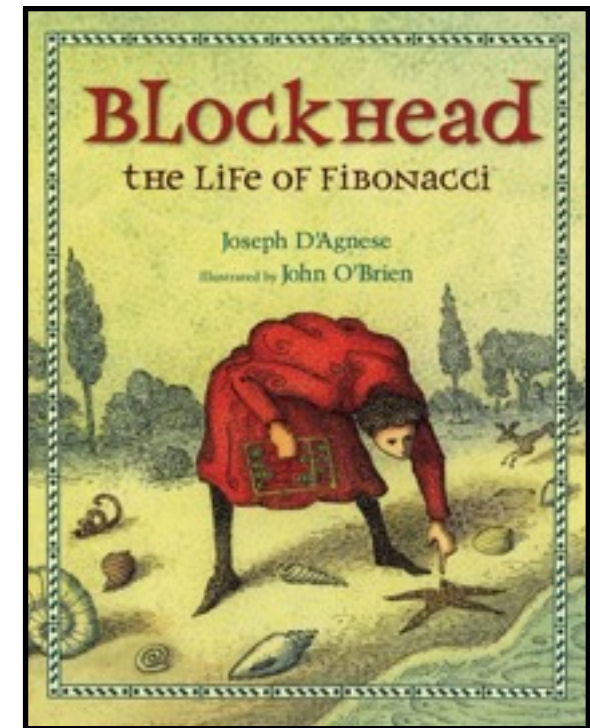




Where do you see circular patterns in the world?  
What do you notice? What do you wonder?

Noticing Patterns is one of the key elements in reasoning!

Noticing patterns, wondering about them, and investigating them is doing math! (Zager, 2017)





# Growing Patterns

Though they don't repeat, they are still predictable. Students need to learn to pay attention to the *patterns in the relationships among the quantities* - patterns are built into the structure of growing patterns.

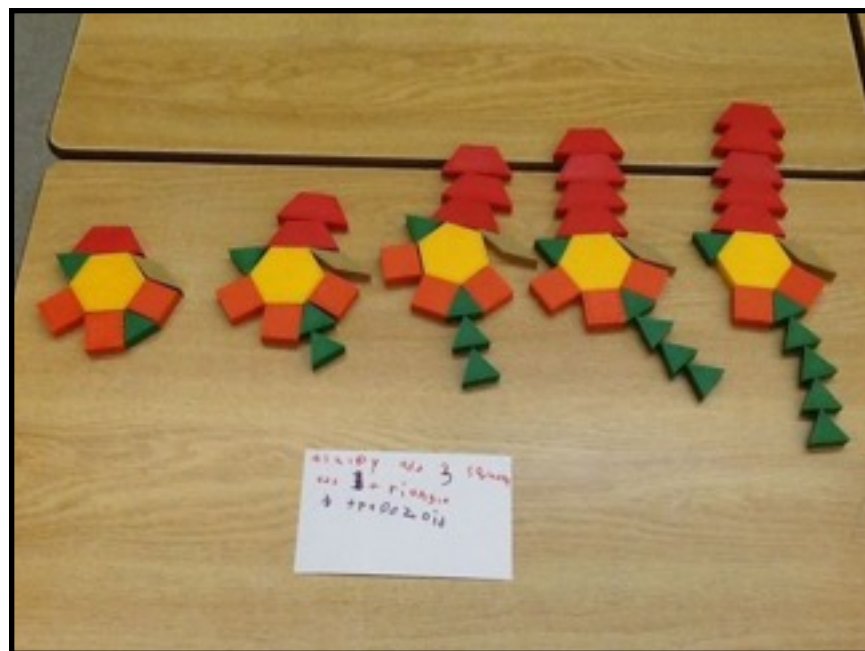


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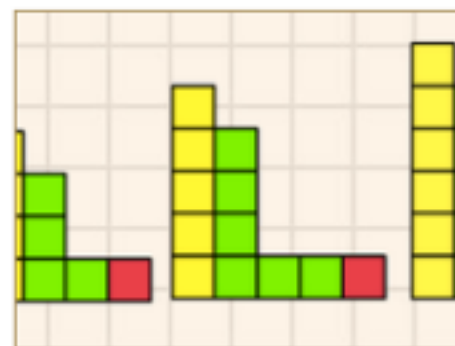
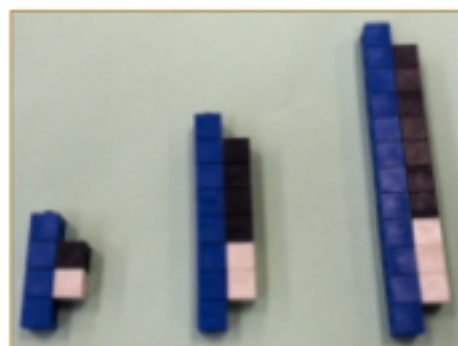
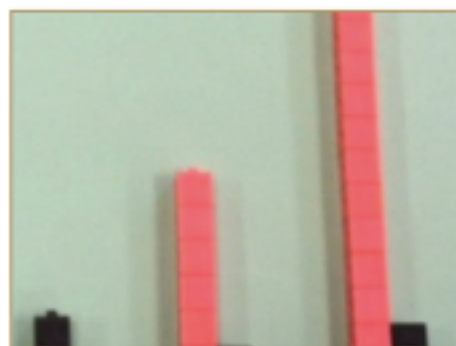
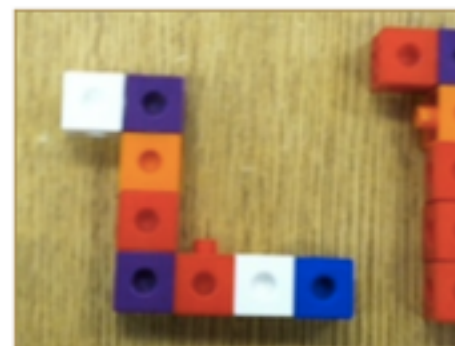
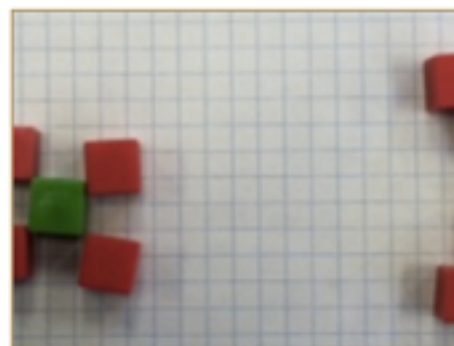
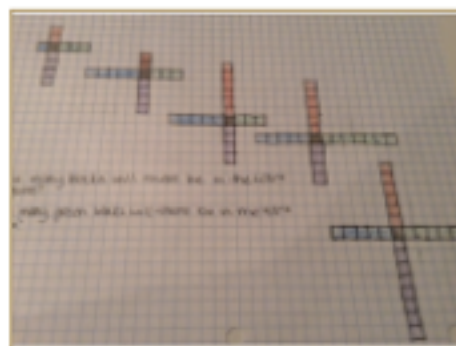


# Visual Patterns

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## Patterns created by students



[www.visualpatterns.org](http://www.visualpatterns.org)

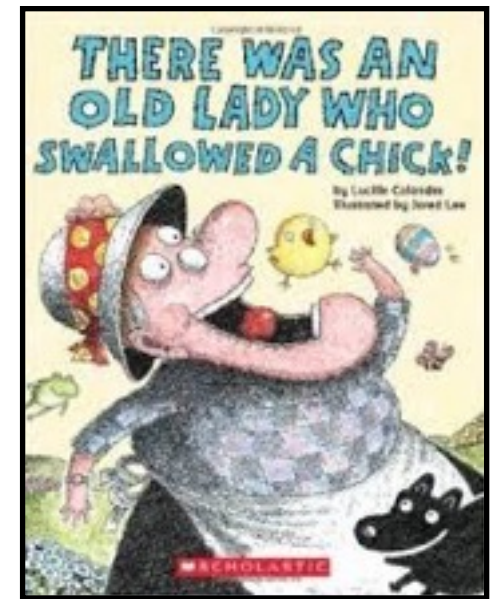
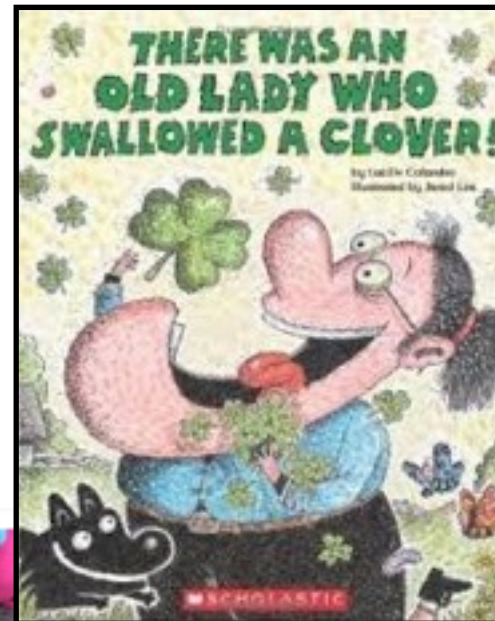
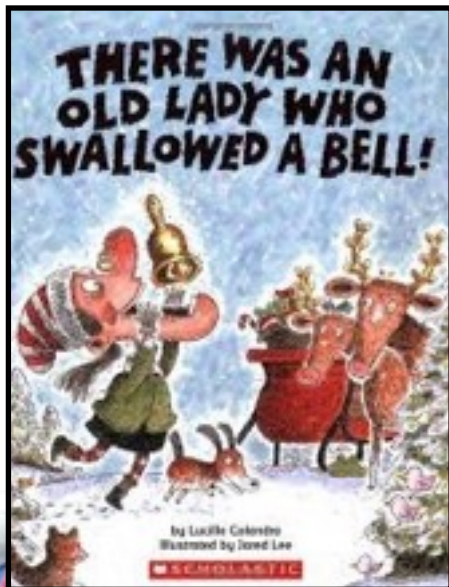
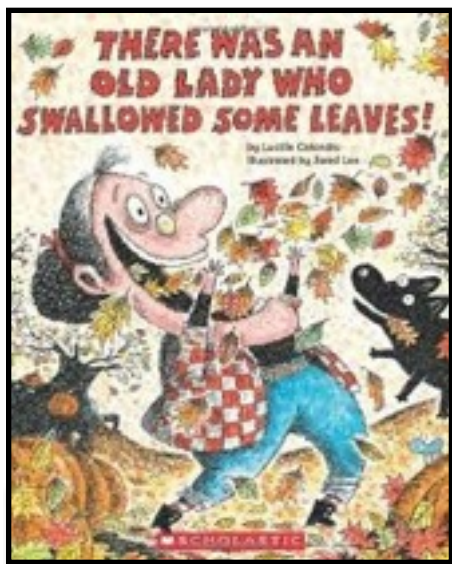


# Important considerations

- Students need the opportunities to physically grow the patterns. They need to play and build!
- Don't just ask "What comes next?" Instead ask "What will the fifth term/case look like?" "What stays the same? What changes?" and "How do you see this pattern growing?"
- Play games such as "Guess my Rule"
- Provide writing materials for students to represent and communicate how they visualize the growing pattern.

(Ideas from Zager, 2017)





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Kristen Pennington,  
Grade One  
Hjorth Road

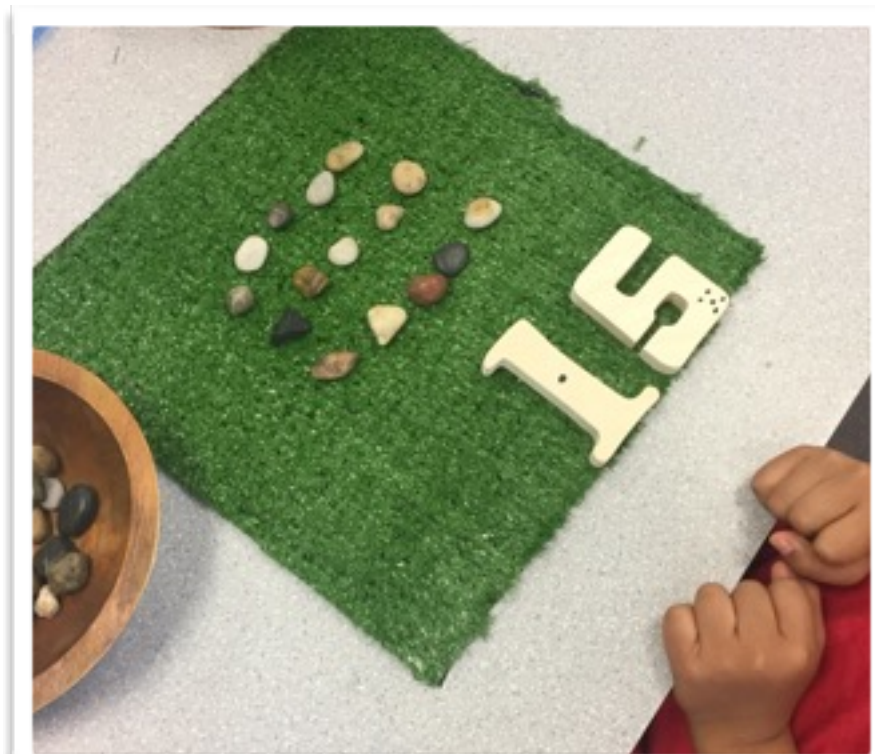


“What numbers can you make?”

“How many do you see?”

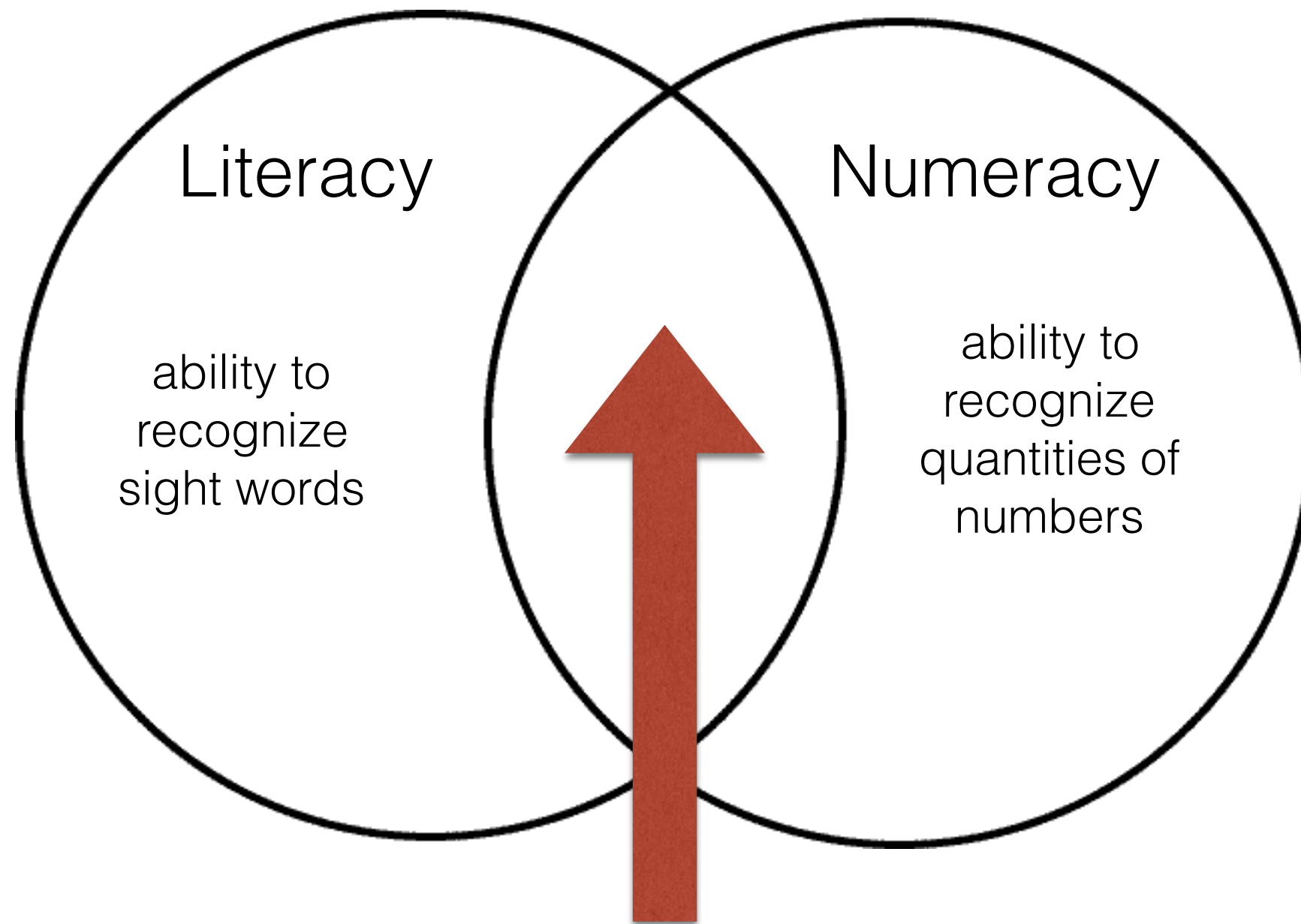
“How do you see them?”

“Can you make the same number a different way?”



Subitizing: The ability to instantly recognize a quantity without counting.

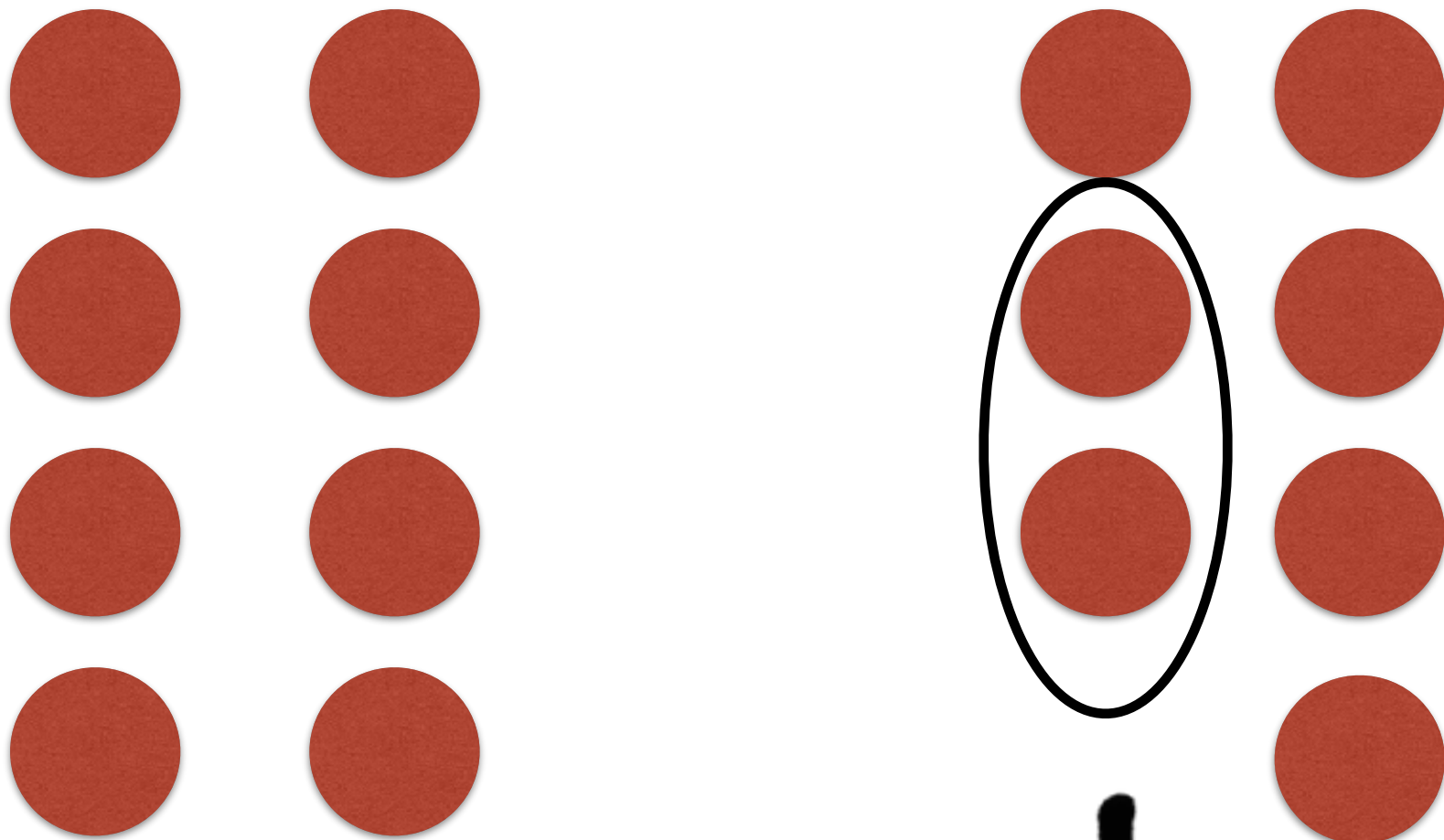
# Why is Subitizing important?



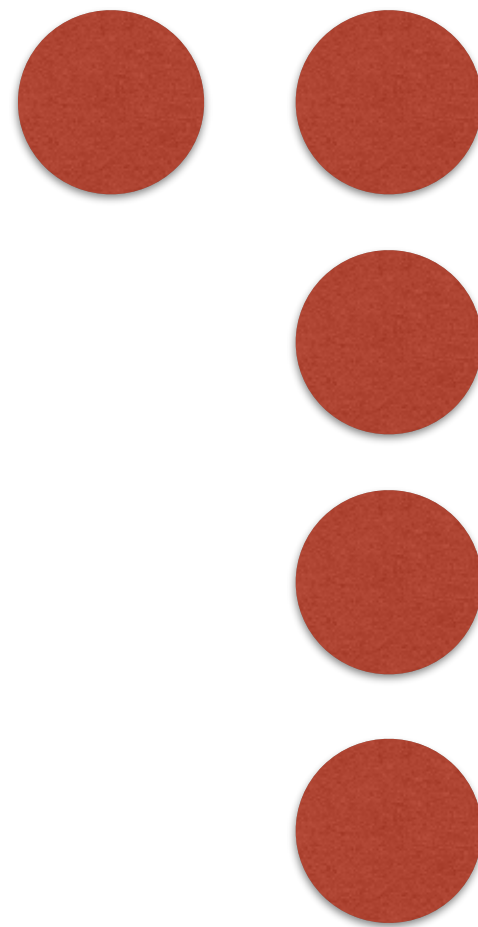
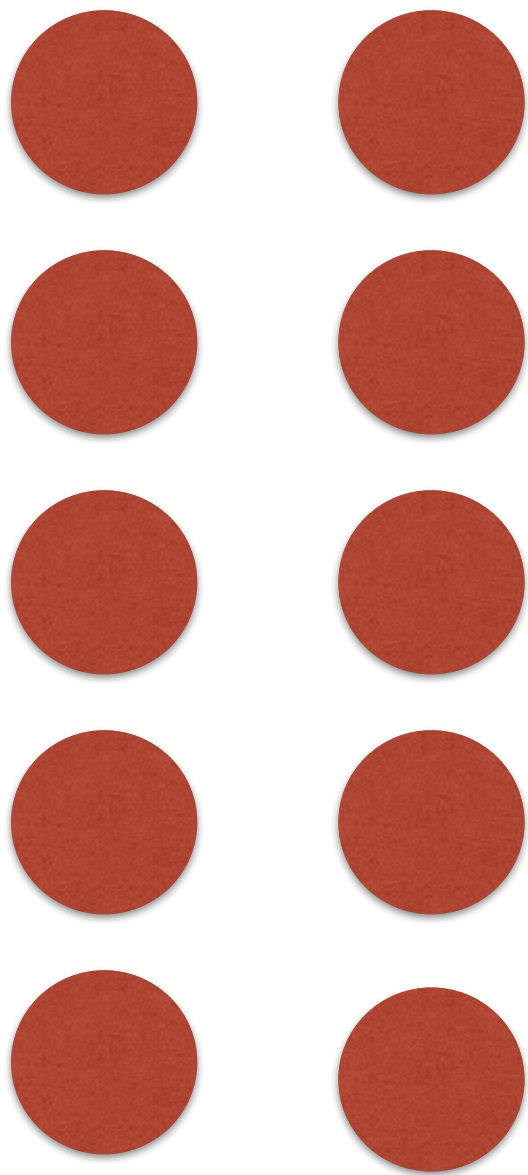
These abilities increase students' fluency and ultimately their ability to either make sense of the text or the problem.



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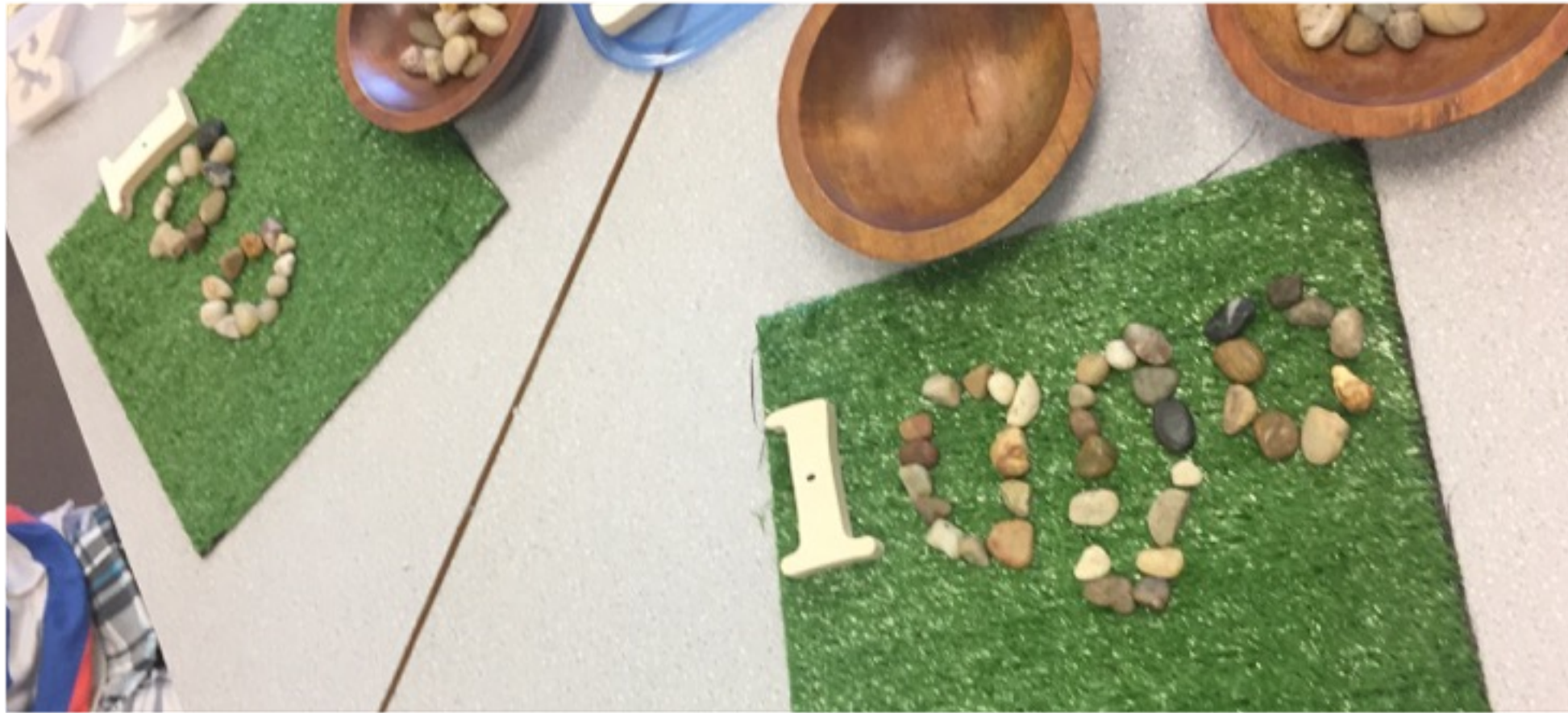


$$8 + 7 = 10 + 5$$



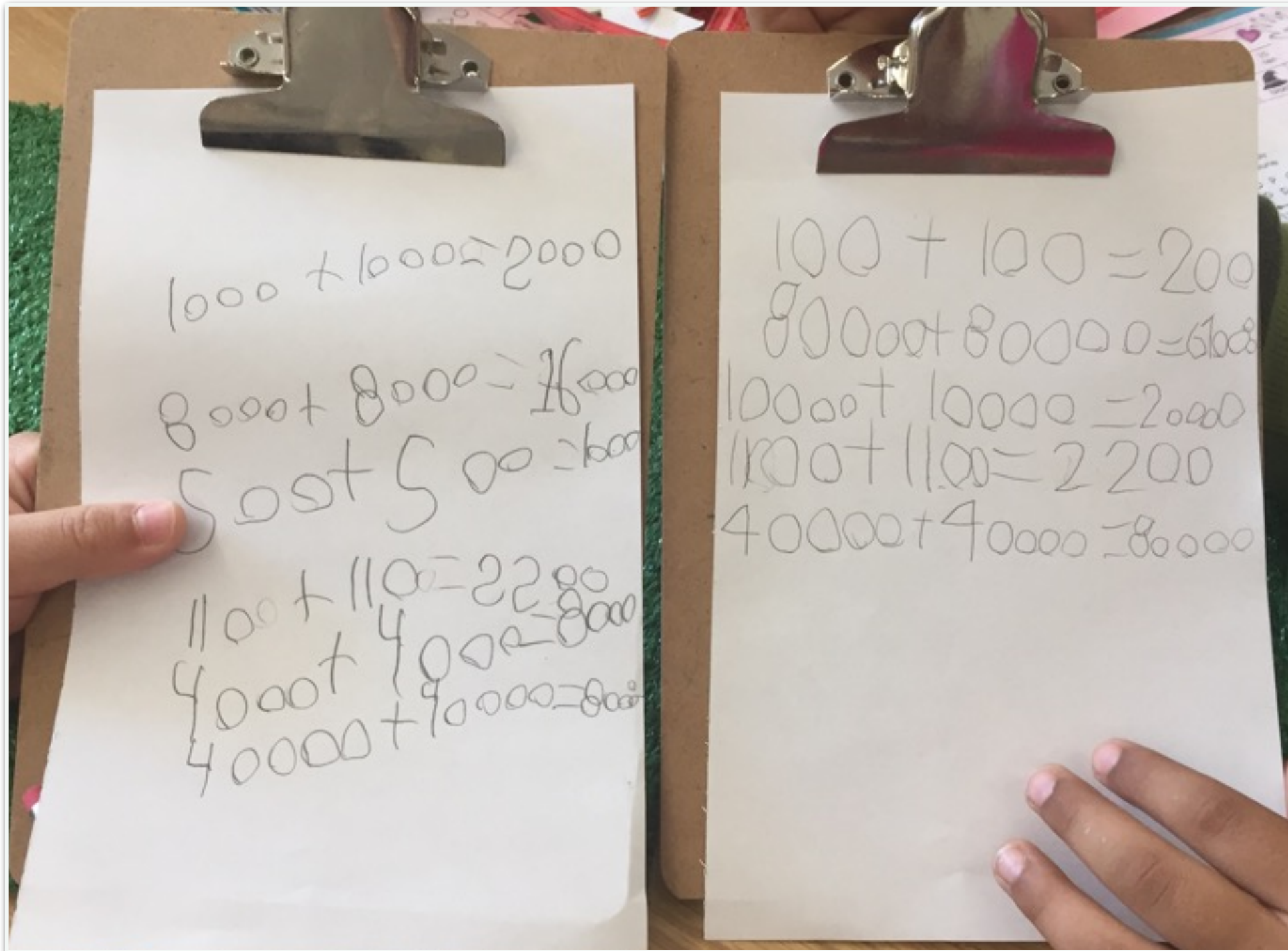
$$(4 + 1) = 5$$





“What numbers can  
you create”  
became  
“What happens when  
we add another zero?  
Or change the first  
digit?”





**Oh the possibilities...**  
**Low floor - High Ceiling**



Children have real understanding only of that which they invent themselves, and each time that we try to teach them too quickly we keep them from reinventing it themselves.

- Piaget

“Can you stack 5 rocks? Or more?”



Where's the math?  
One-to-one correspondence  
Spatial Reasoning  
Stable Order Count

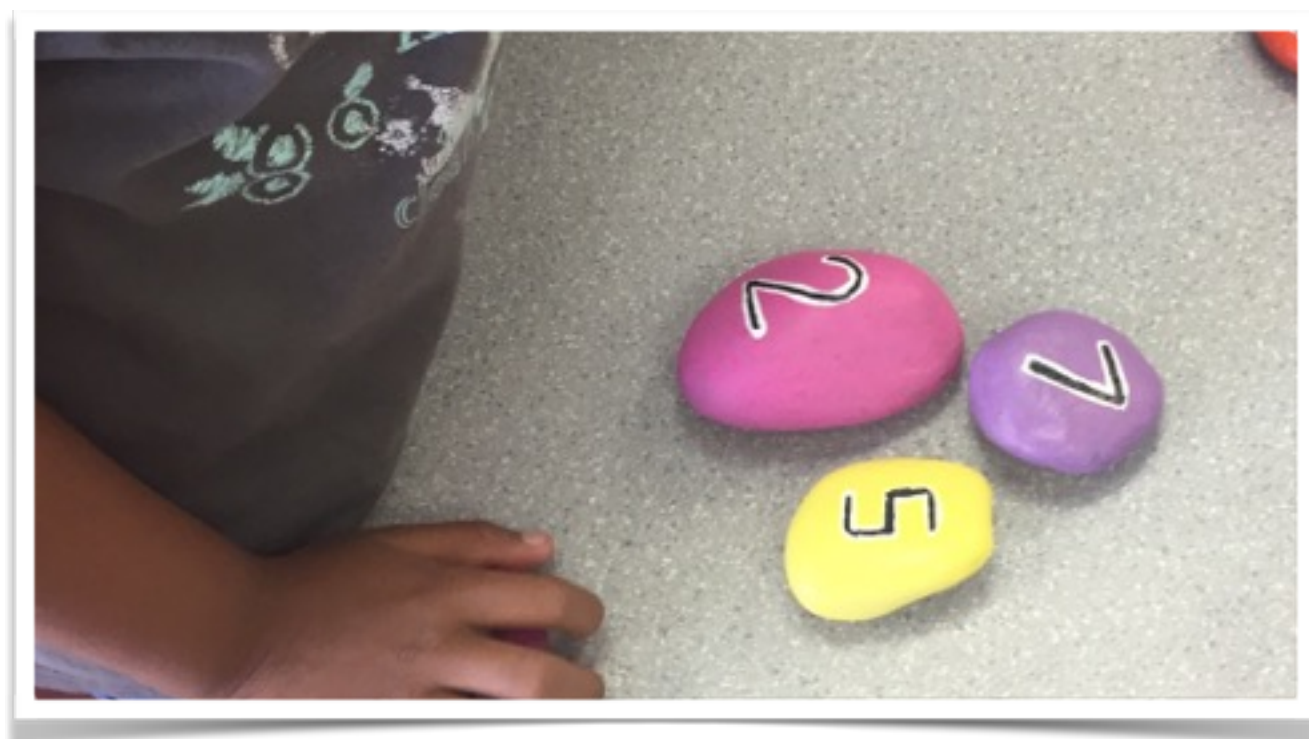
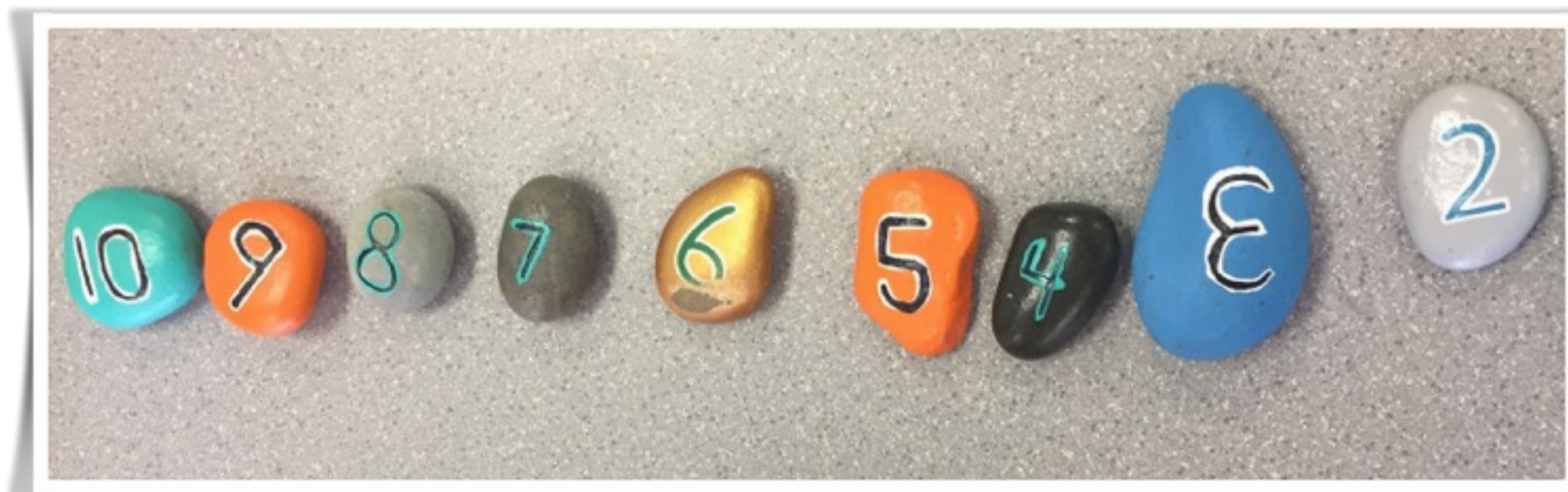




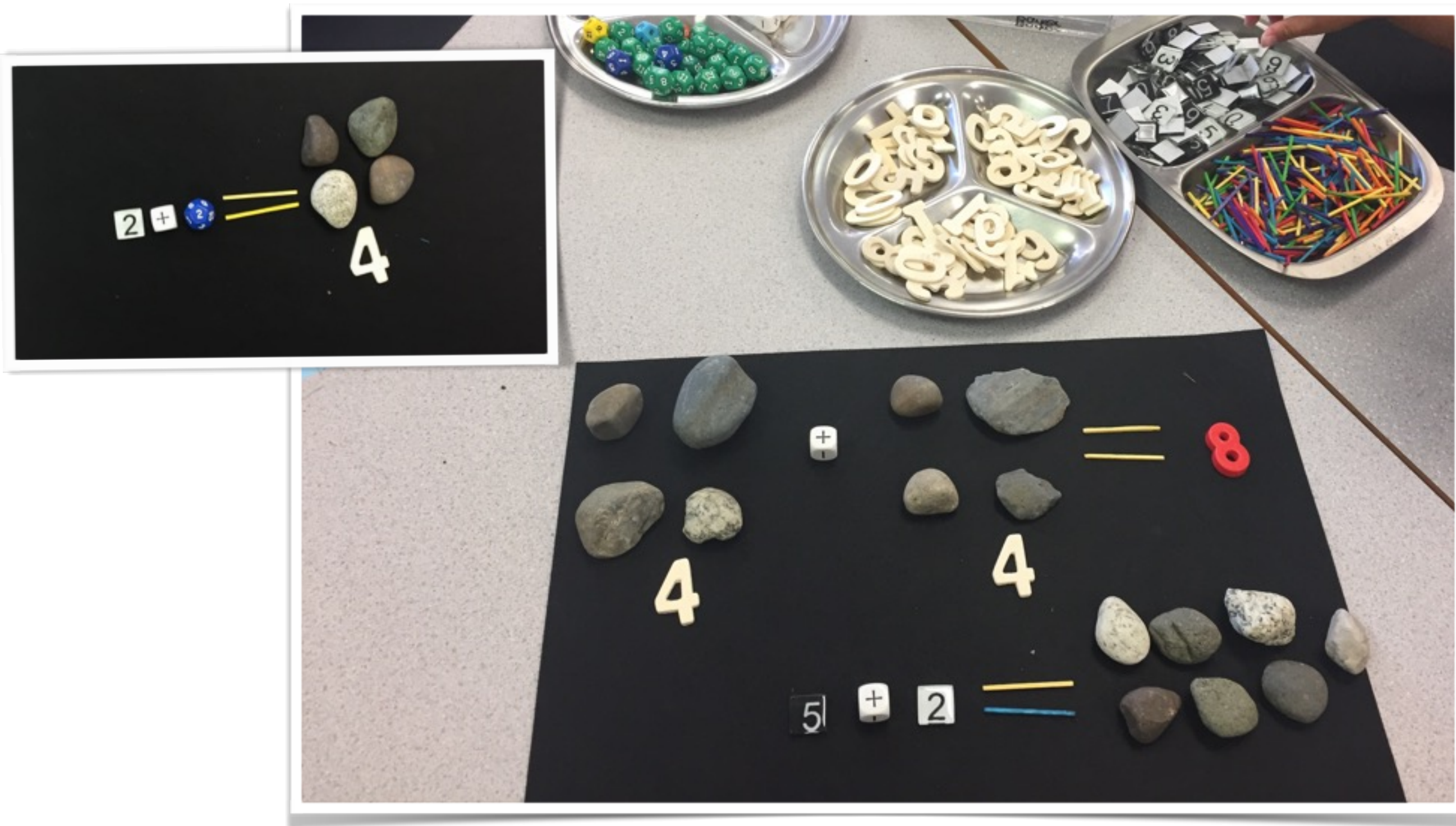
“How are  
your rocks  
connected?”











“How can you use these materials to tell joining and separating stories?”





Learning Intentions for ALL, SOME, and a FEW



Everyone must have an entry point!





# SHRINK AND GROW!



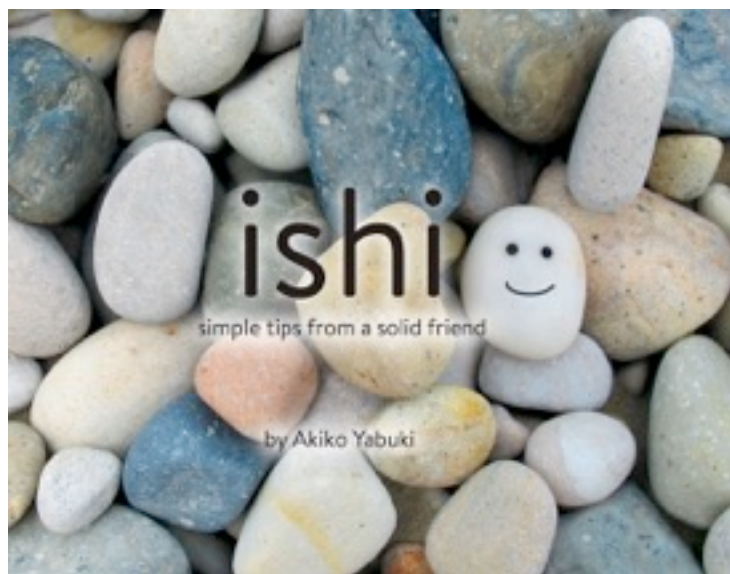
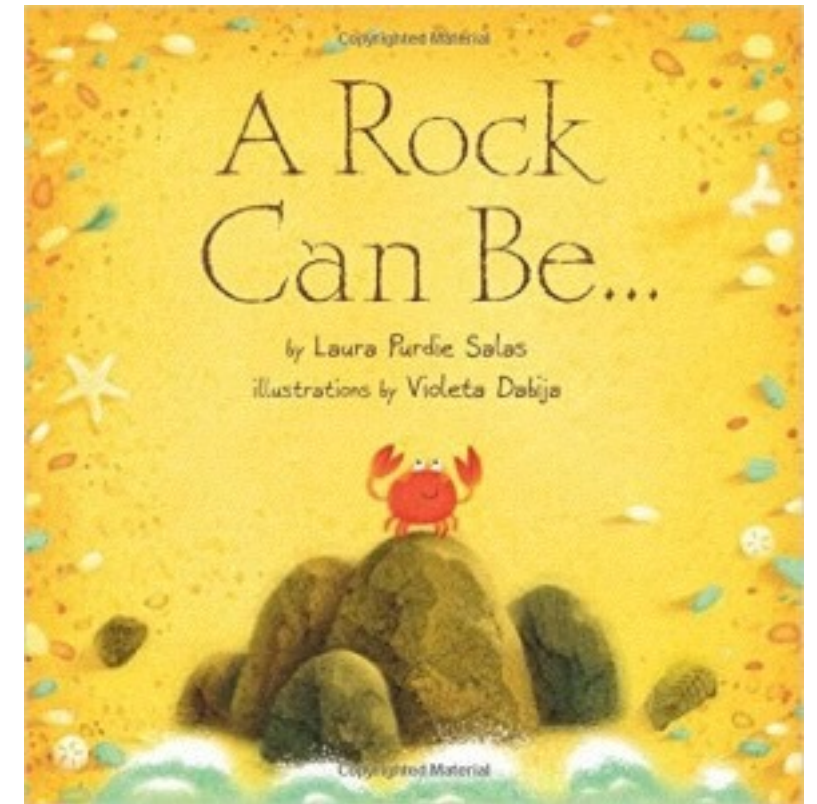
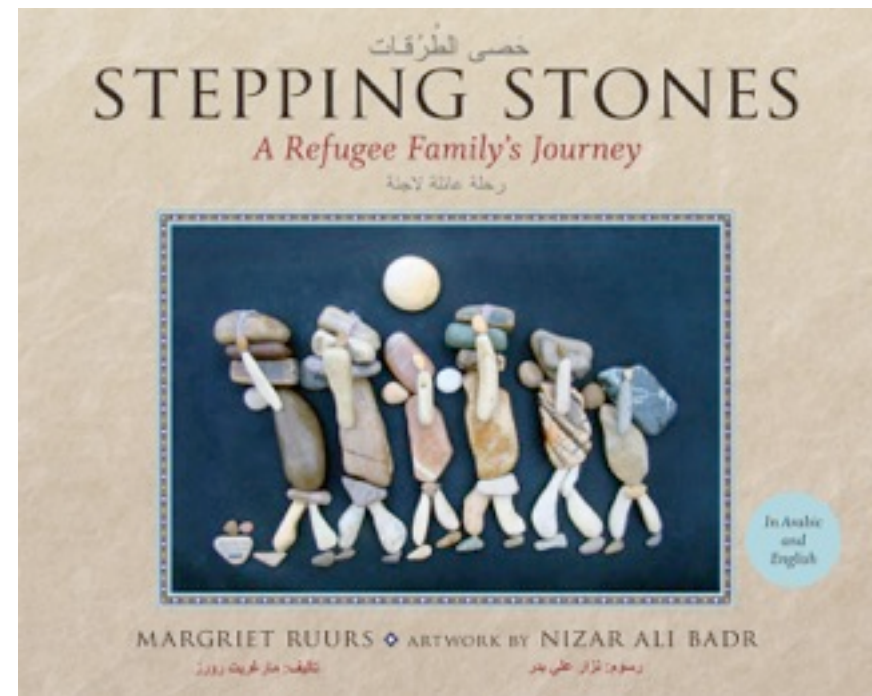
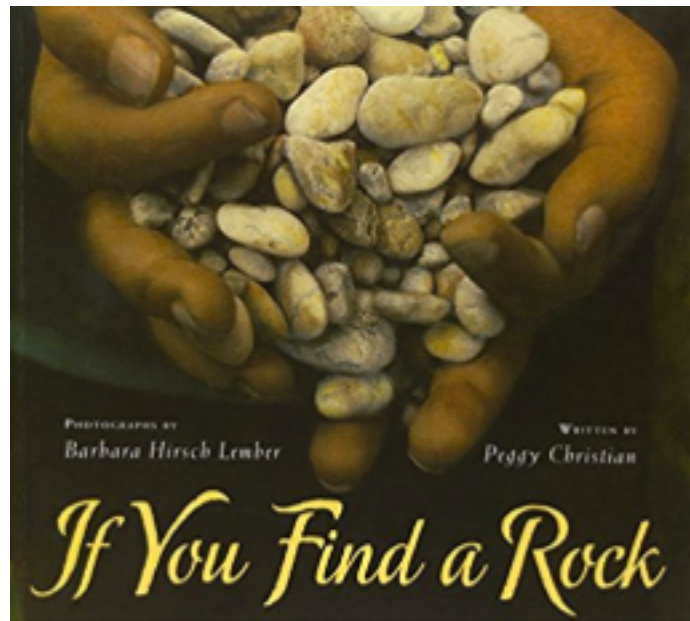
Roll a 1 - 10 dice.  
Build that number.  
Roll again. Do you need to shrink or grow?  
By how many?

OR

How many more for ten?  
Can you record that?



## Rock Books



*“We have found that when adults pay attention to the interests of children, children get serious about learning!”*

by Susan Harris MacKay,  
The Principles of Playful Inquiry





**“There are many ways to fill [primary aged] children’s literate lives with engaging, interactive, and developmentally appropriate experiences with letters and words that are both playful and purposeful.”**

**(Lori Jamieson Rog)**

### **Literacy Learning Intentions**

I can explore the distinctive features of letters (letter formation).

I can tell a story using rocks. I can share my story with a friend.

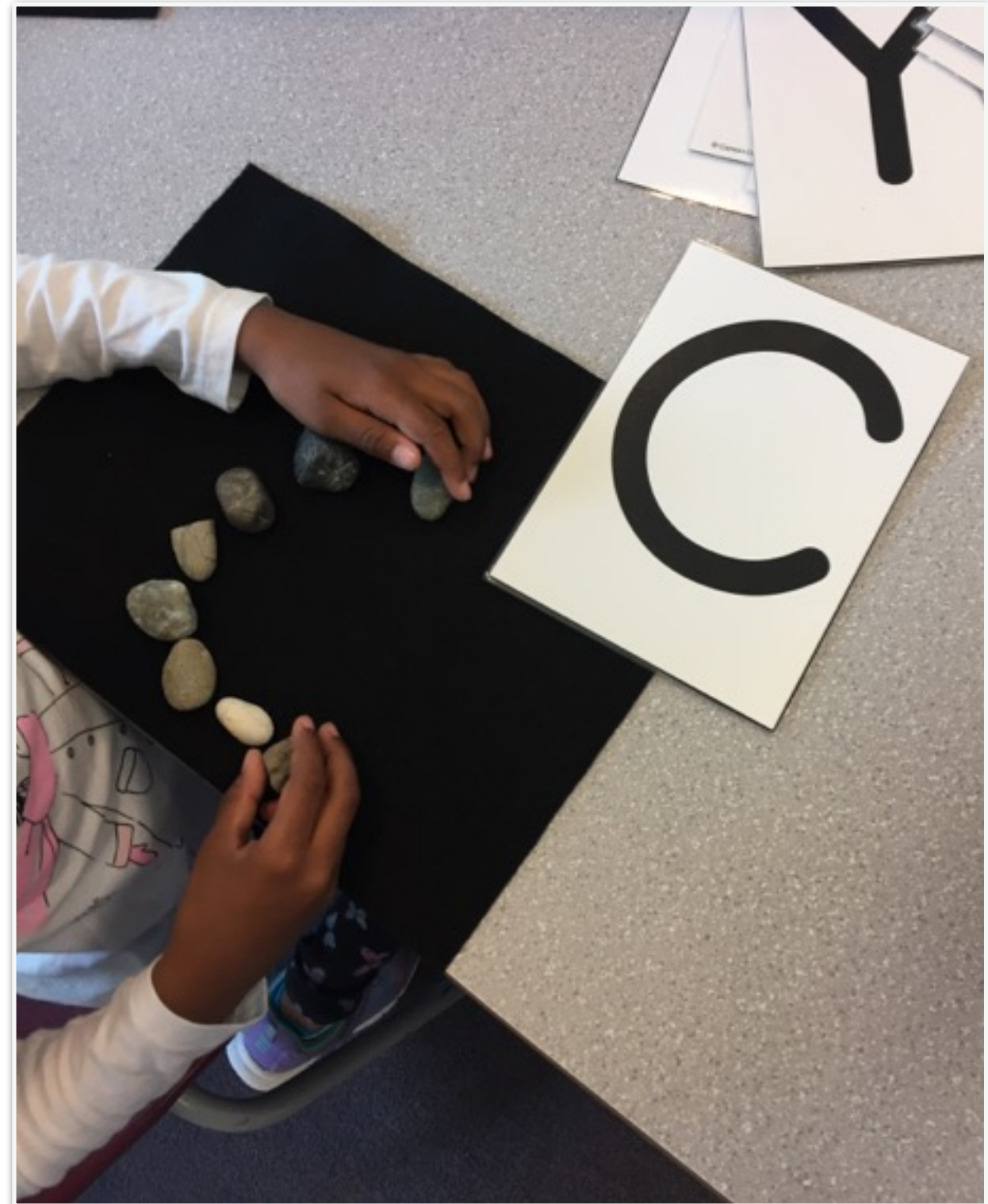
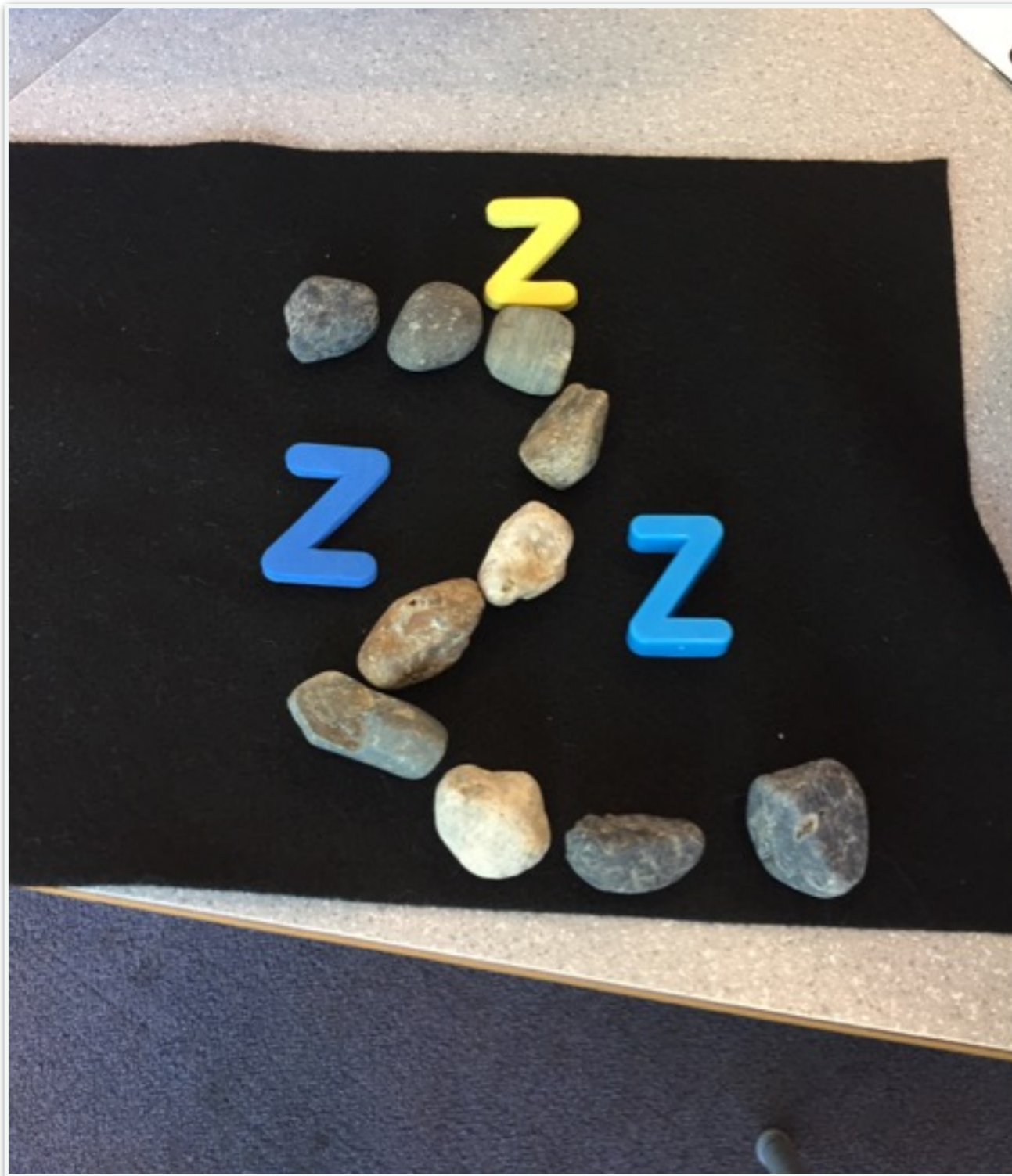
I understand the left to right directionality of words.

I can use creative thinking to represent letter sounds in pictures.

Can you make letters with rocks?







“To recognize letters, children must understand key visual features such as letter shape, orientation, and directionality” (Bradley & Jones, 2007).



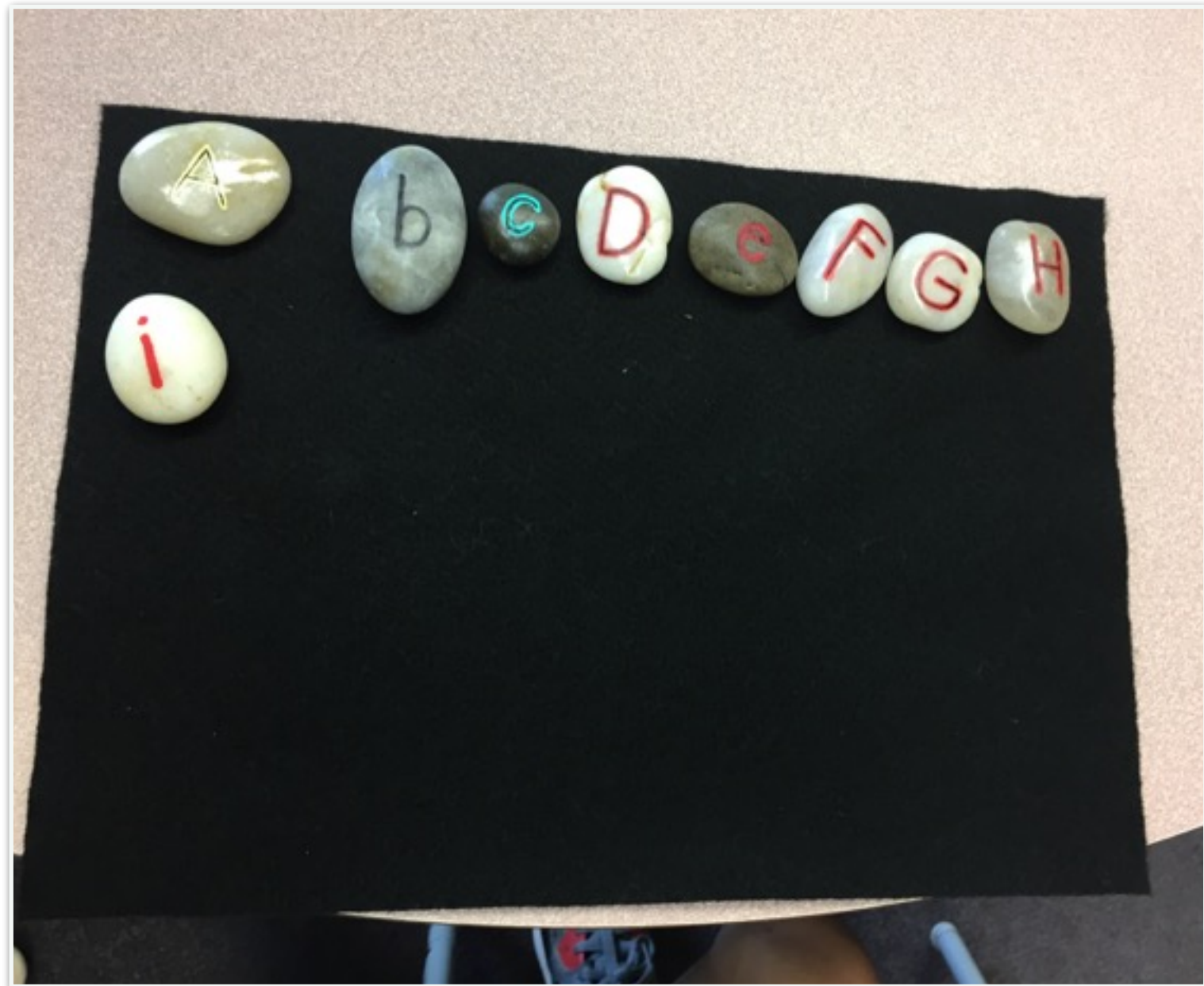
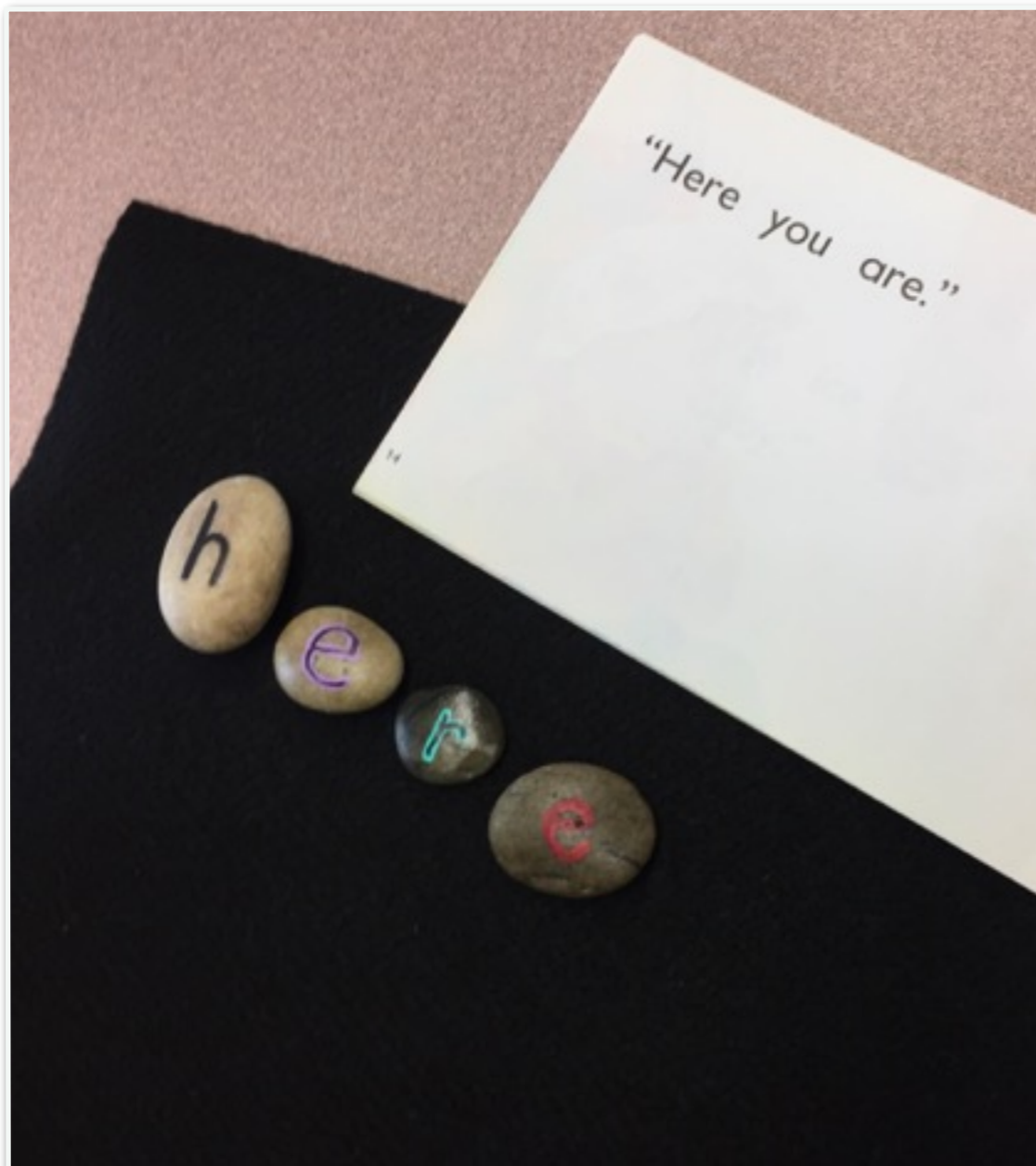


# What words can you create with rocks?

- Rocks with both uppercase and lowercase letters.
- Provide books at their approximate reading level, with words they are both familiar and unfamiliar with.
- The vowels could be in a different colour.

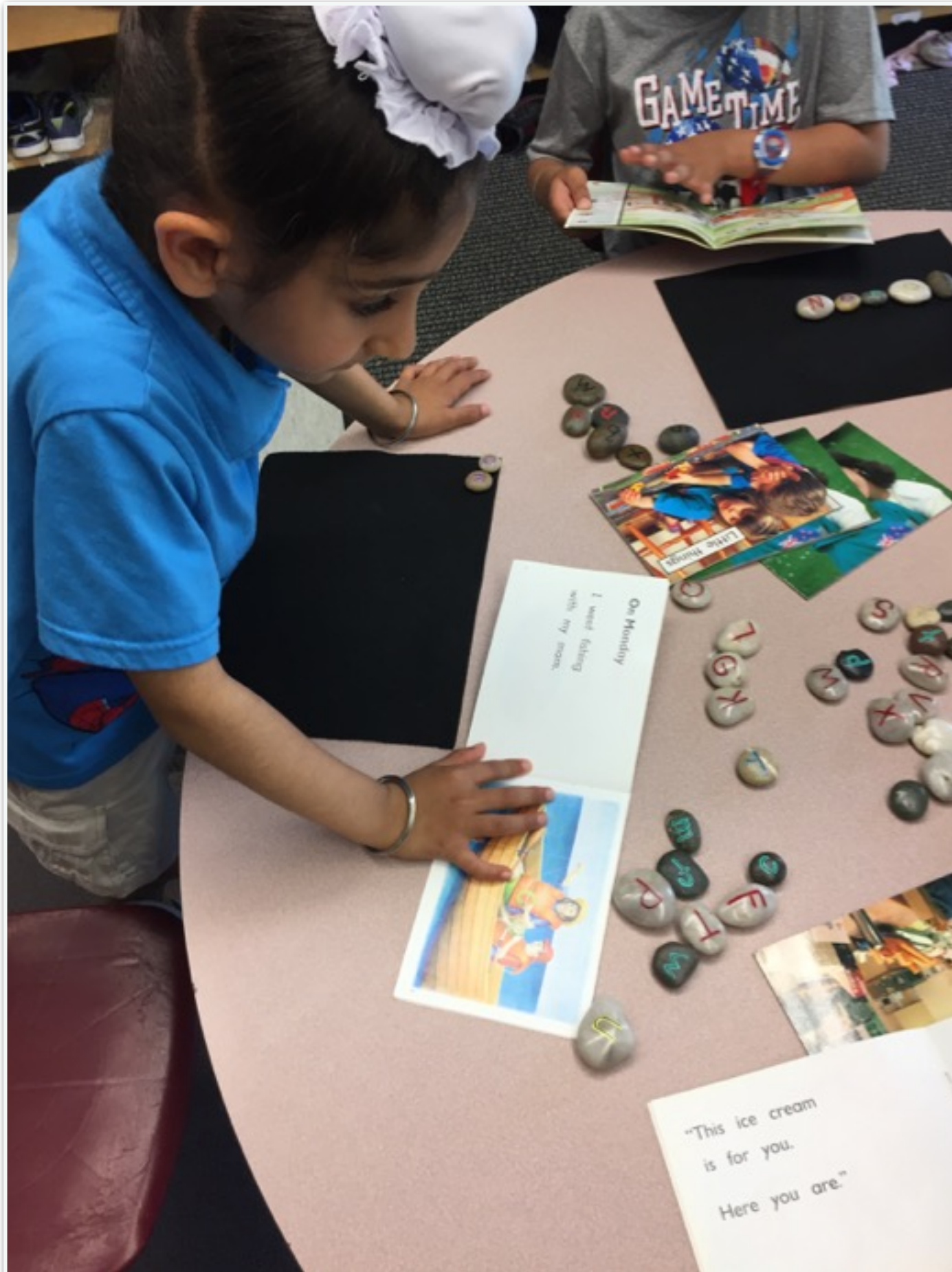
*Ex: “What do you notice about the red letters?”*





Open-ended for all degrees of ability  
Everyone can participate & move their learning forward





“This is my sister’s name.  
It starts with an ‘n’ and it’s  
really long!”

***How would you nudge this  
child’s learning?***



“Children are especially motivated to read and write their names and the names of others in their class.  
Research does show that personal name learning  
does promote letter learning”  
(Miriam Trehearne)

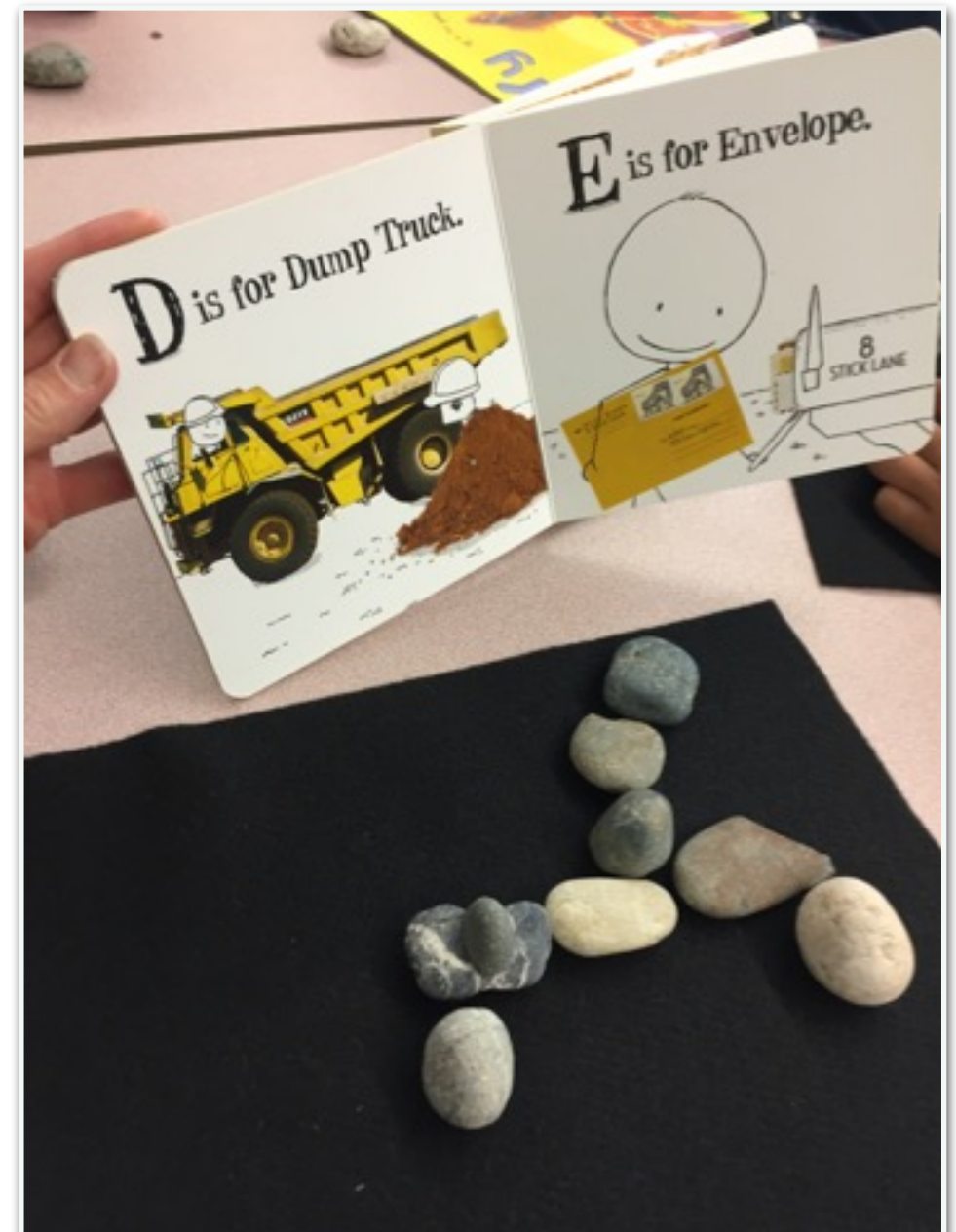


How many letters are in your word?

f	r	o	m	



**Can you make a picture that starts with a letter sound?**



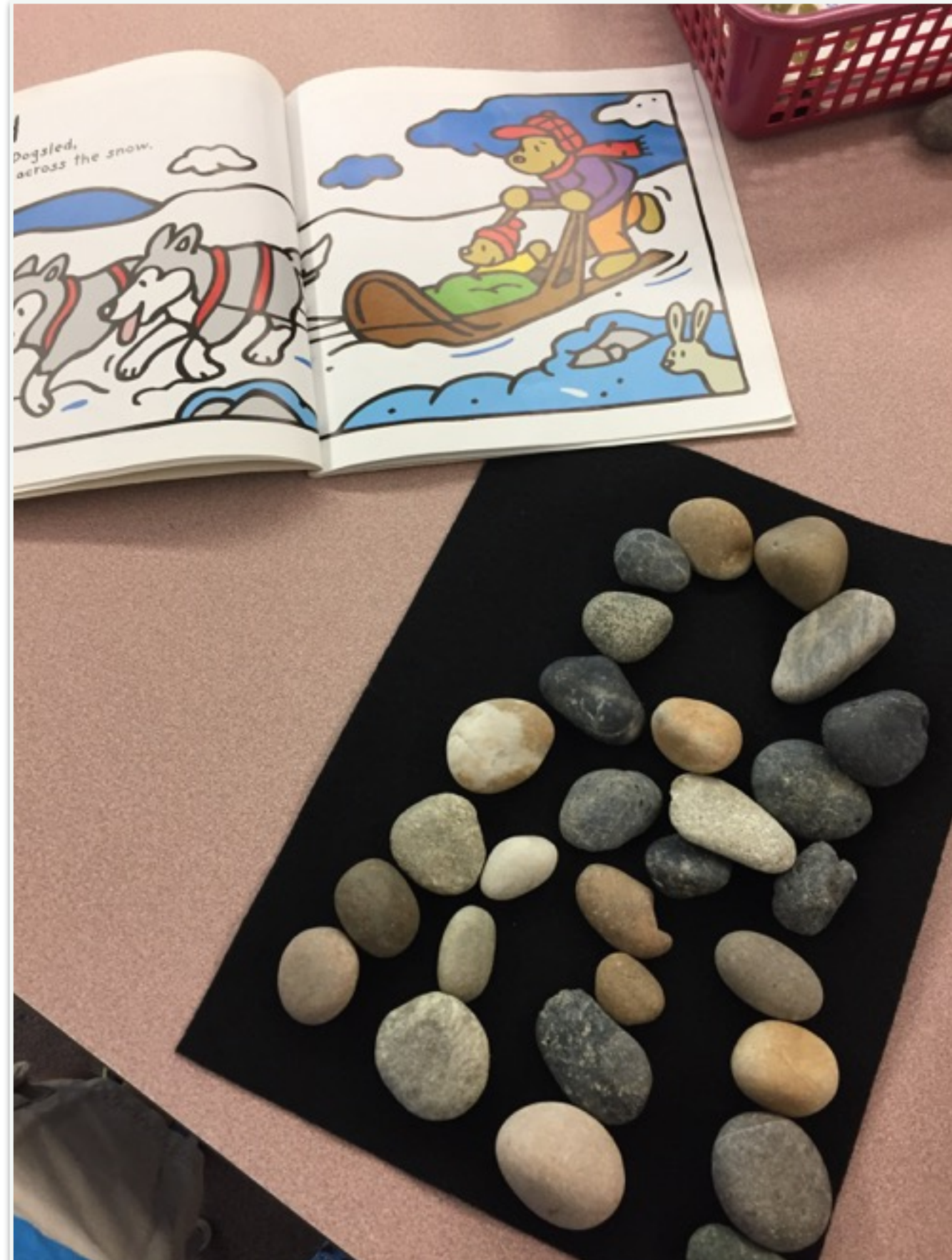
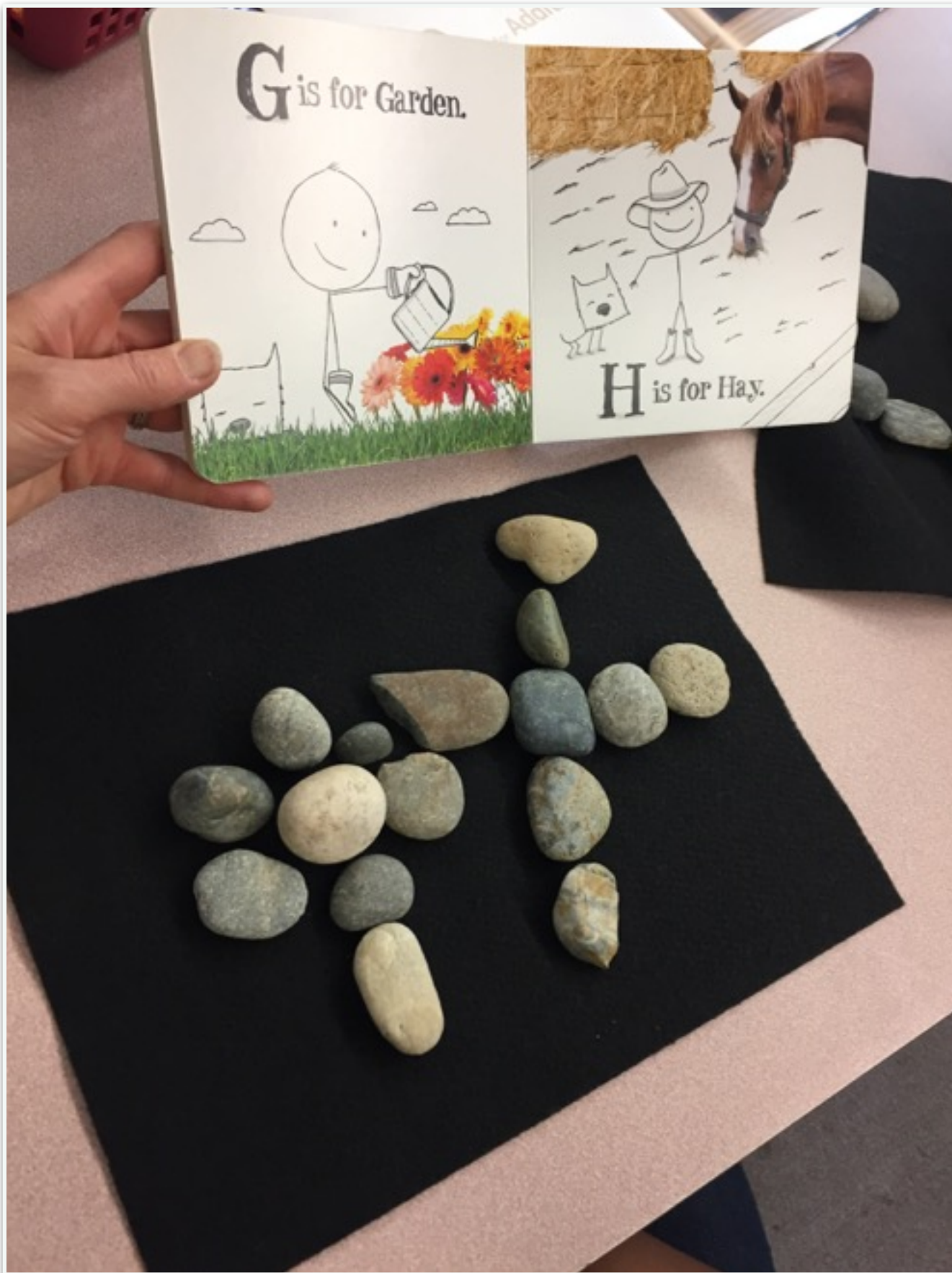
Support letter learning by connecting with WORDS!



“For that child, the question of what *bear* begins with does not make sense, because it is seen as a whole meaning unit, not as a series of sounds that has a beginning and an end.”

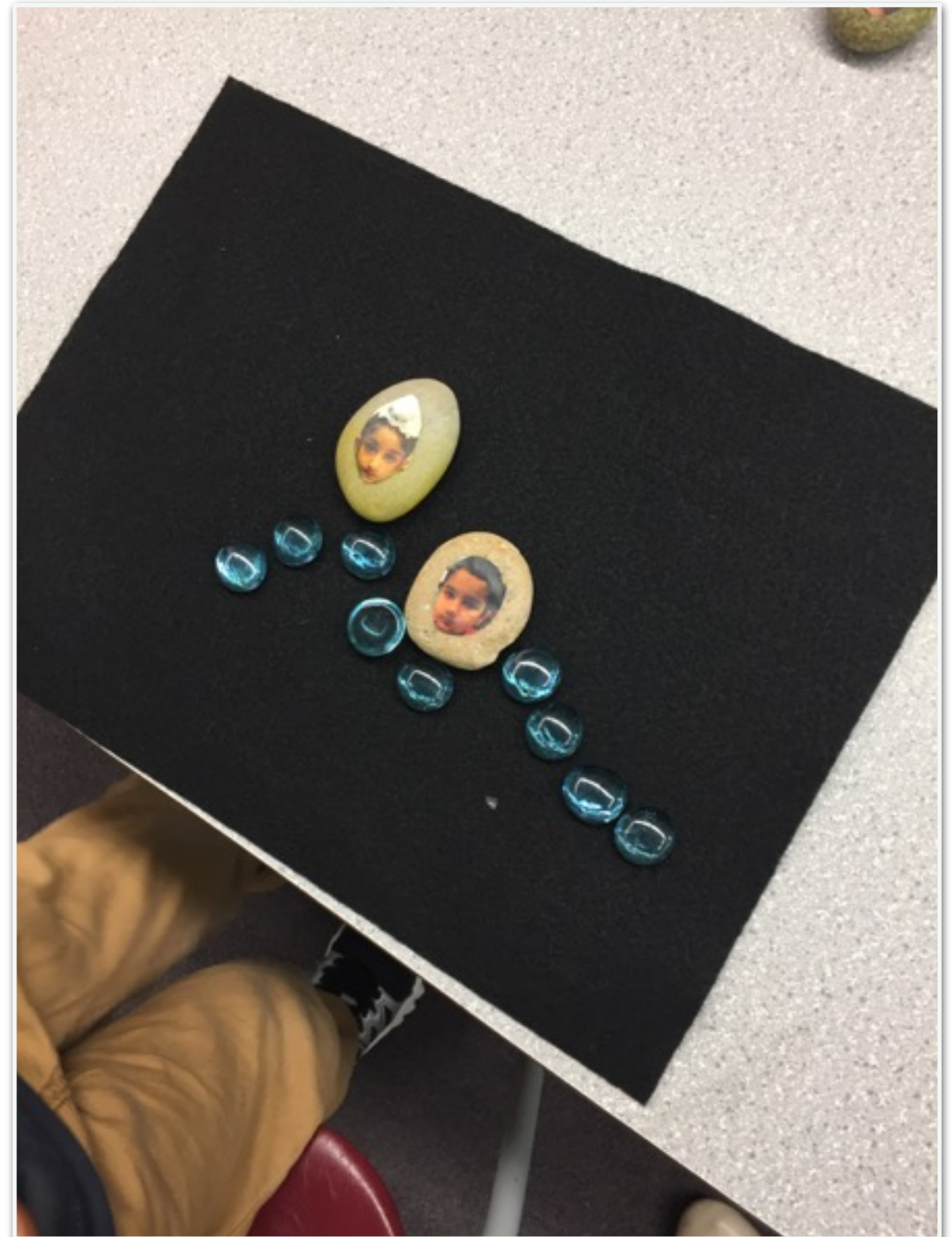
(Stahl, 1992)







Can you tell a story?  
What story can you tell about your friends?









*For the FEW, or for grades 1-2*

“What words can you make using these letters?”

“How many words can you make?”





*For the FEW, or for grades 1-2*

“What letters do you see in these shapes?”

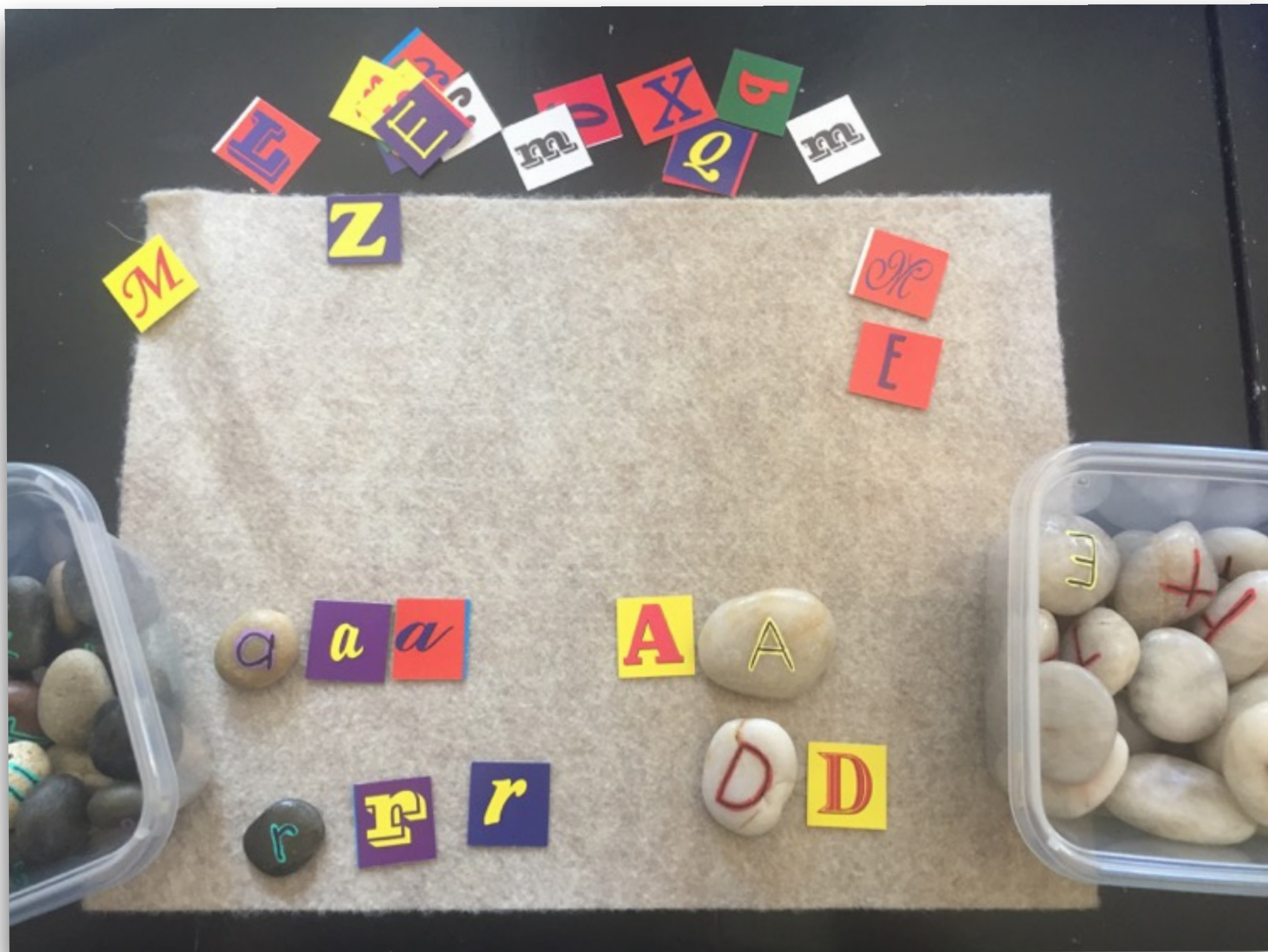
“What pictures can you see in these rock shapes?”





*For the FEW, or for grades 1-2*

Recognizing letters in different fonts. Sorting and matching.



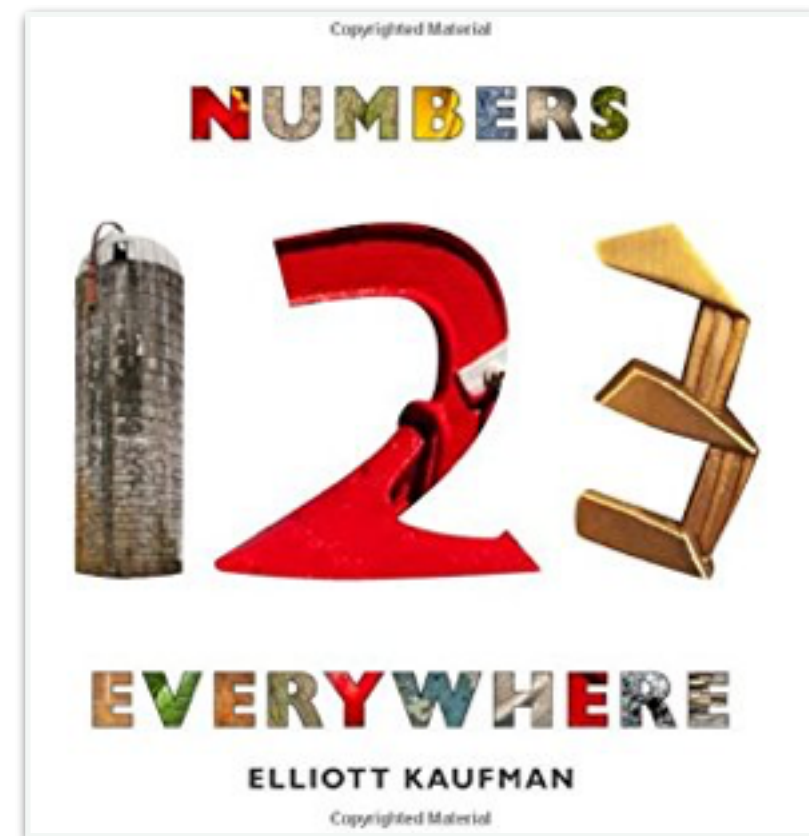
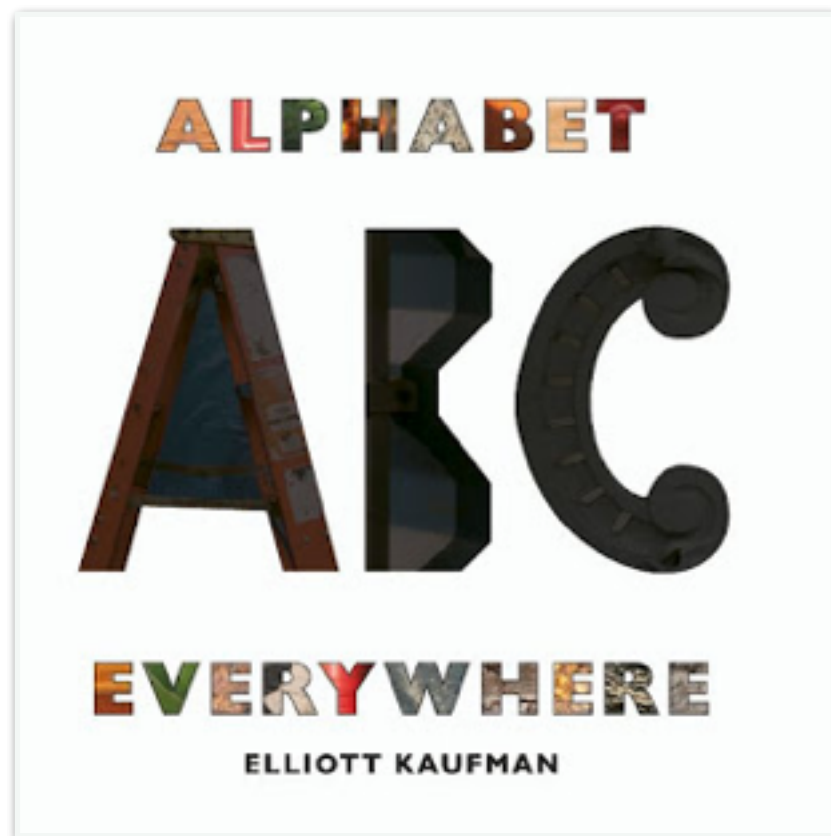


# What numbers/letters can you find around you?

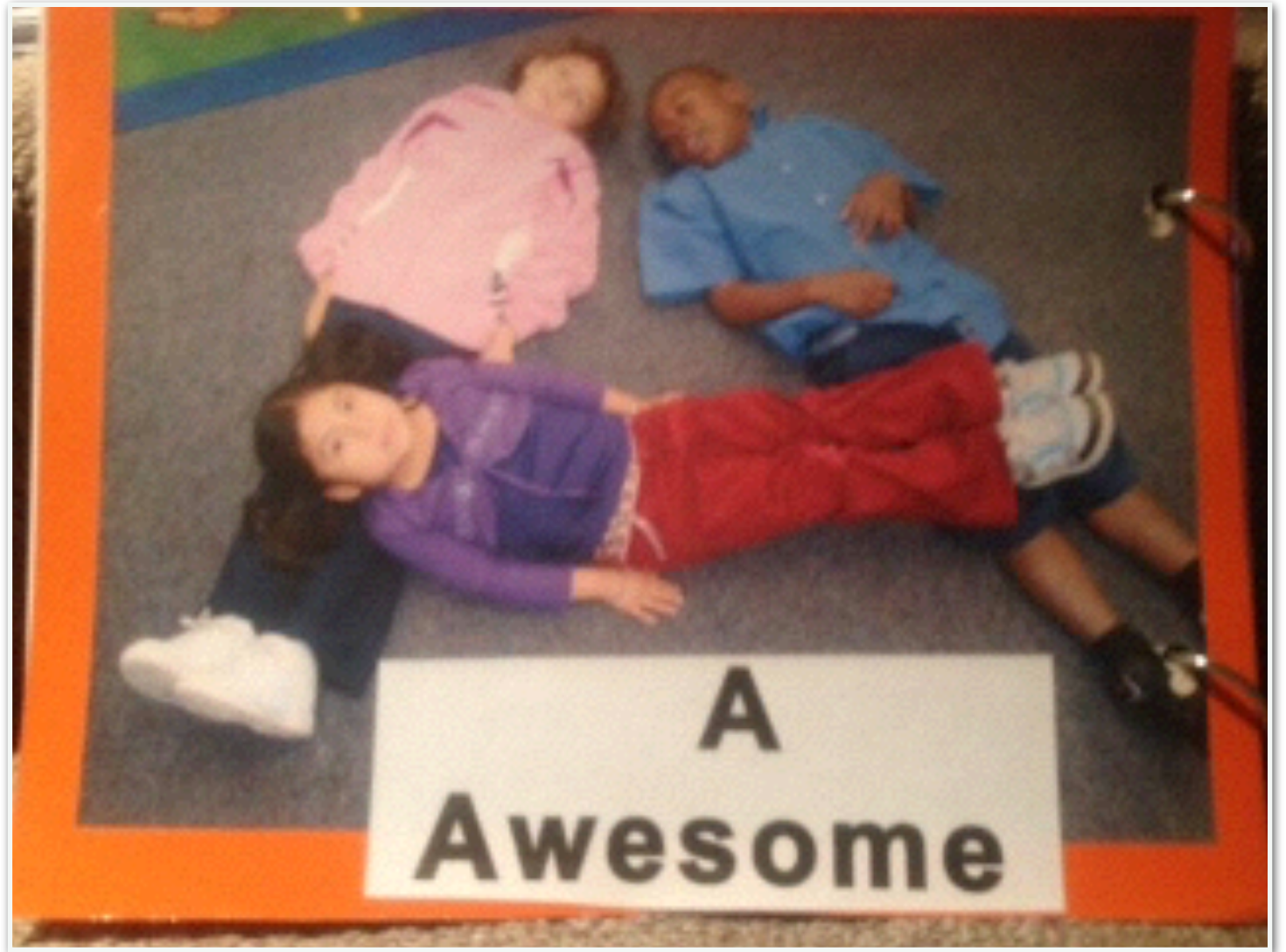
Classroom

Around school (gym, library, etc.)

Outdoors/Nature walk



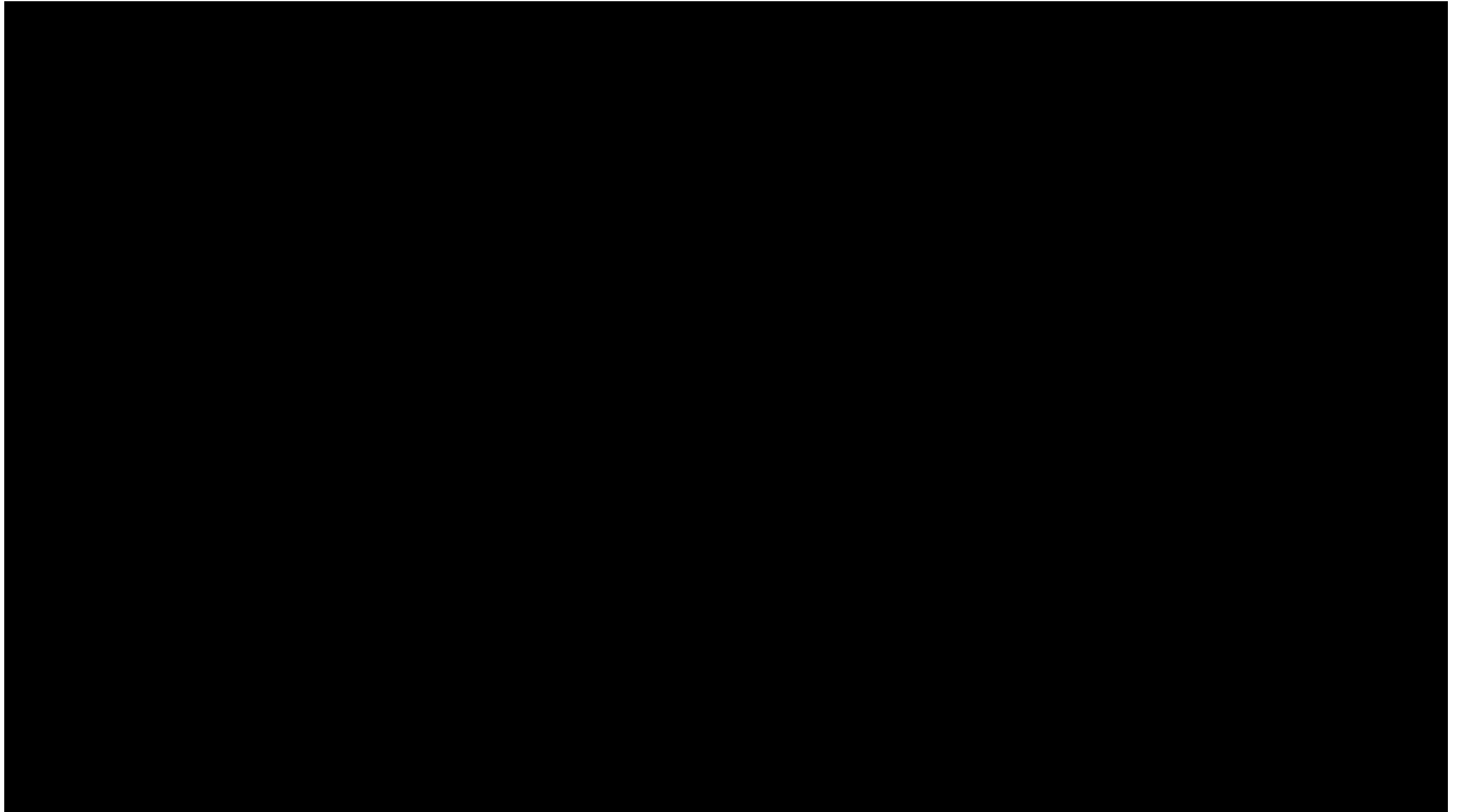
Take alphabet photos with iPads  
Create alphabet books with “Book Creator”(app)  
Make letters with their bodies



Example from: [www.drjean.org](http://www.drjean.org)



Or capture images and make  
them into a movie using Animoto!



# Collaborative chart using magazines

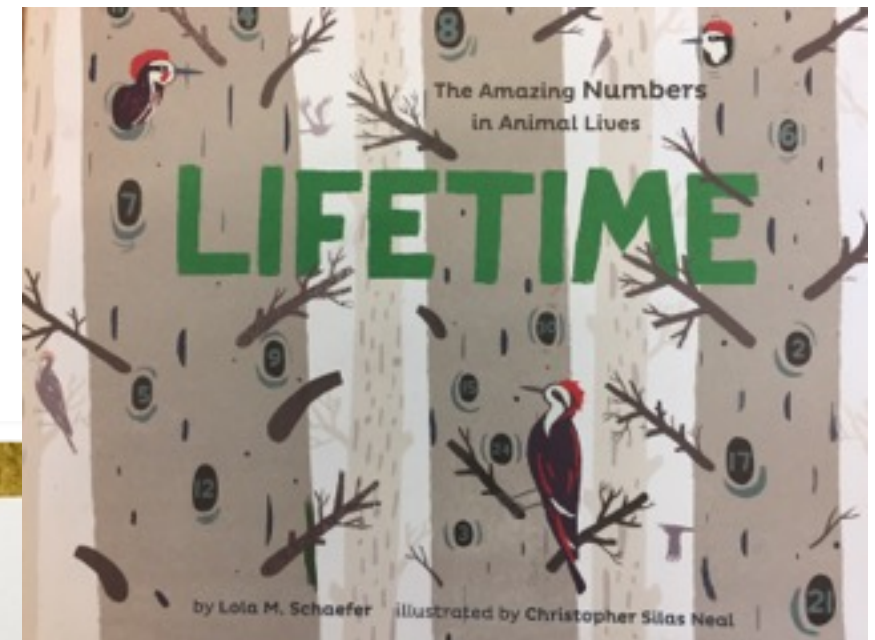
## - Explore fonts



Photos sent from home or  
taken by the students around school



# What numbers are connected to animals?



Cedus Can Run  
10 km in a hour Lawson

A dog has 5 claws  
on each front leg.  
4 claws on each back leg.



From Ria.



# Co-creating alphabet supports





# What do you collect?



**Where do you  
collect your  
items?**



**Why do you  
collect them?**

How could kids' collections become meaningful literacy or numeracy learning opportunities?

# Counting Collections

## Learning Intentions:

- Subtilizing (Perceptual and Conceptual)
- One-to-one correspondence
- Cardinality
- Counting forward
- Skip counting
- Place Value



## Items you could use:

- anything - straws, bottle caps, buttons, pompoms, craft sticks, beans, beads, toothpicks, mini-erasers, play cards, small animals



# Play time

*“Play gives children a chance to practice what they are learning.”*

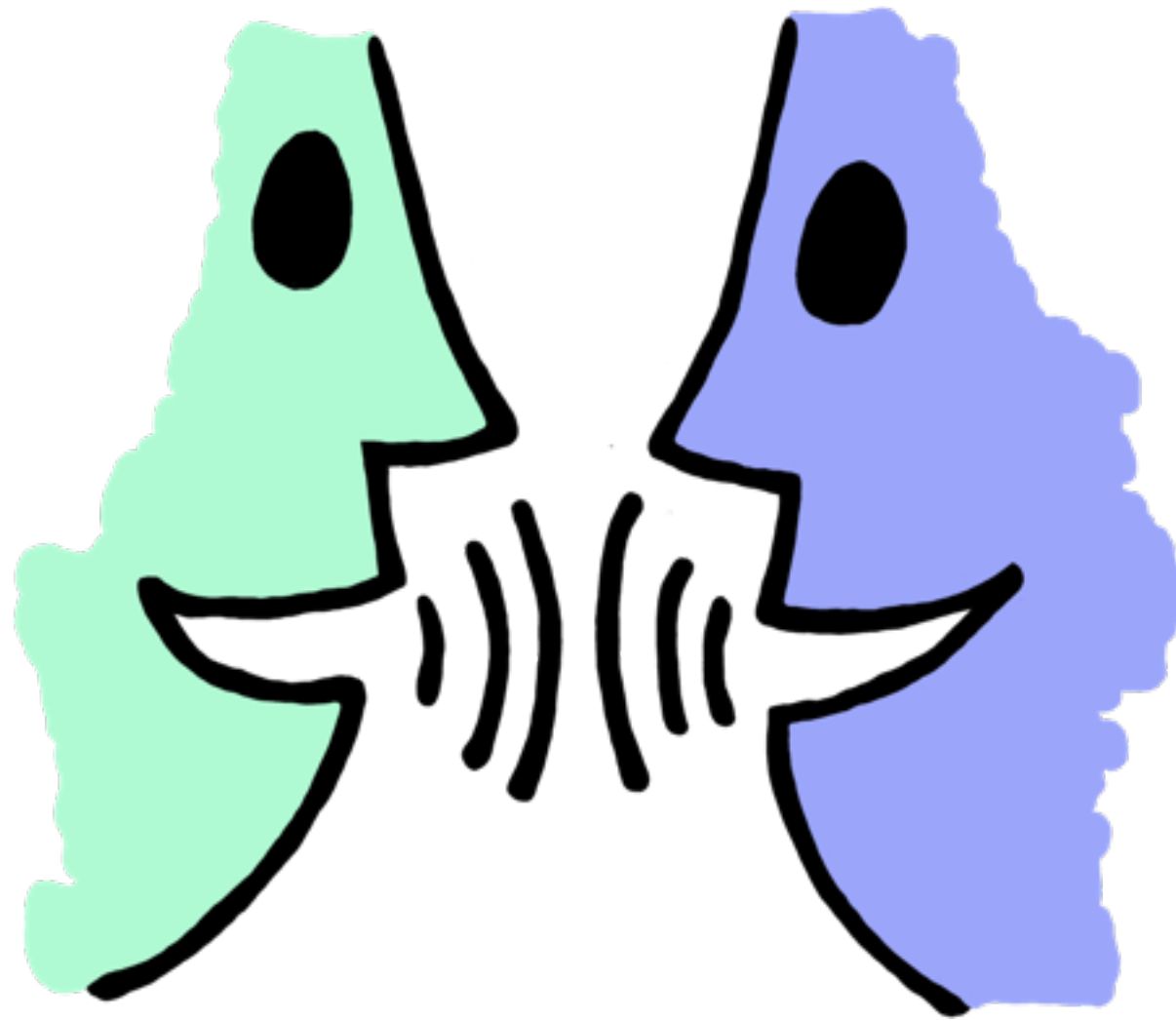
- Mr. Rogers

Please take 5 - 10 minutes to stretch and engage with the various learning activities at each table.



BREAK  
**TIME**





What did you  
connect with?

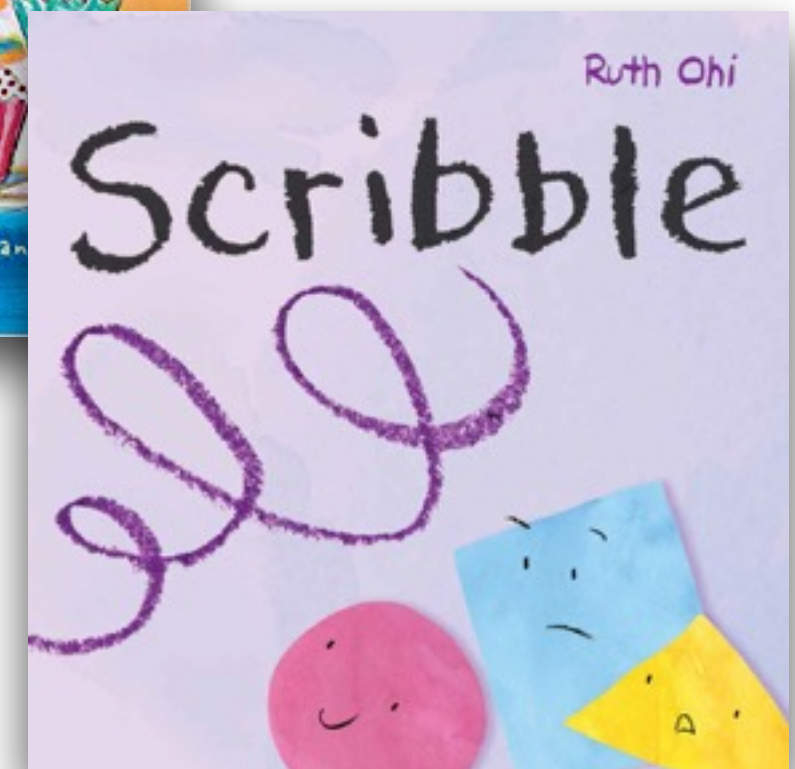
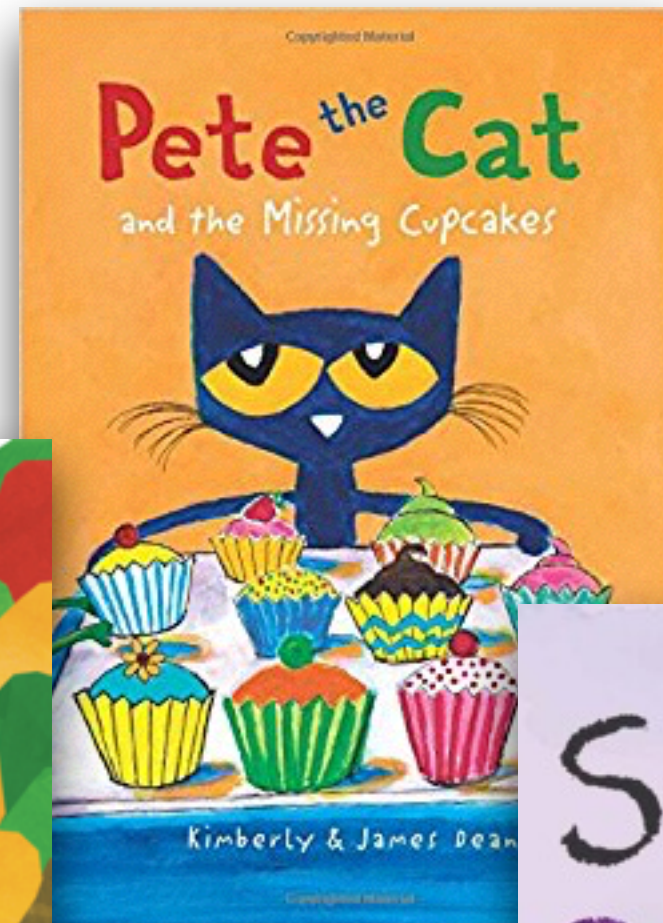
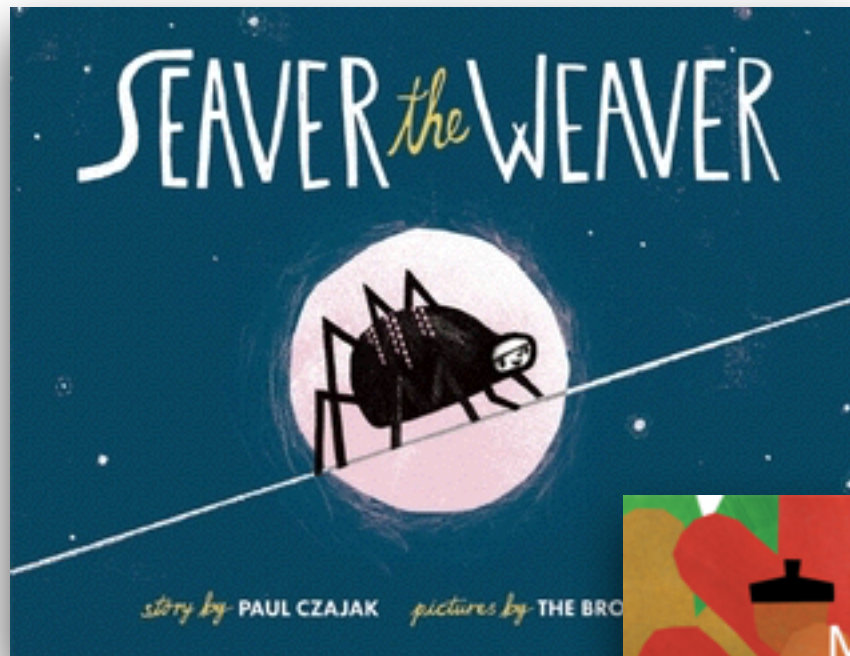
Any questions?

Suggestions?

Something you want  
to share?

What other books or  
curriculum could it  
connect with?

# Booktalk!







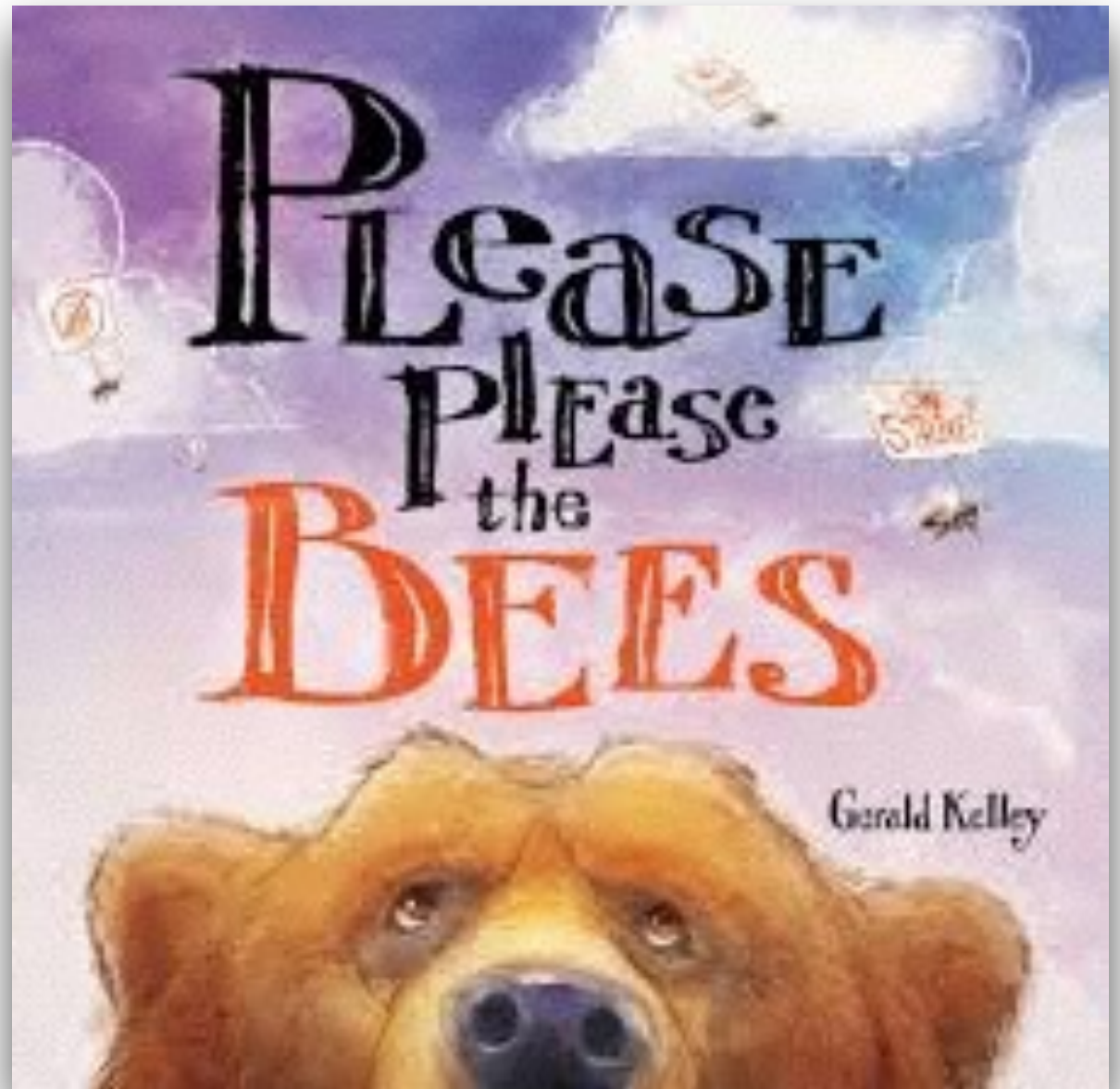
Students were given the choice of taking circles, squares, and/or a string (a squiggle) and asked to make a picture!

# Please Please the Bees

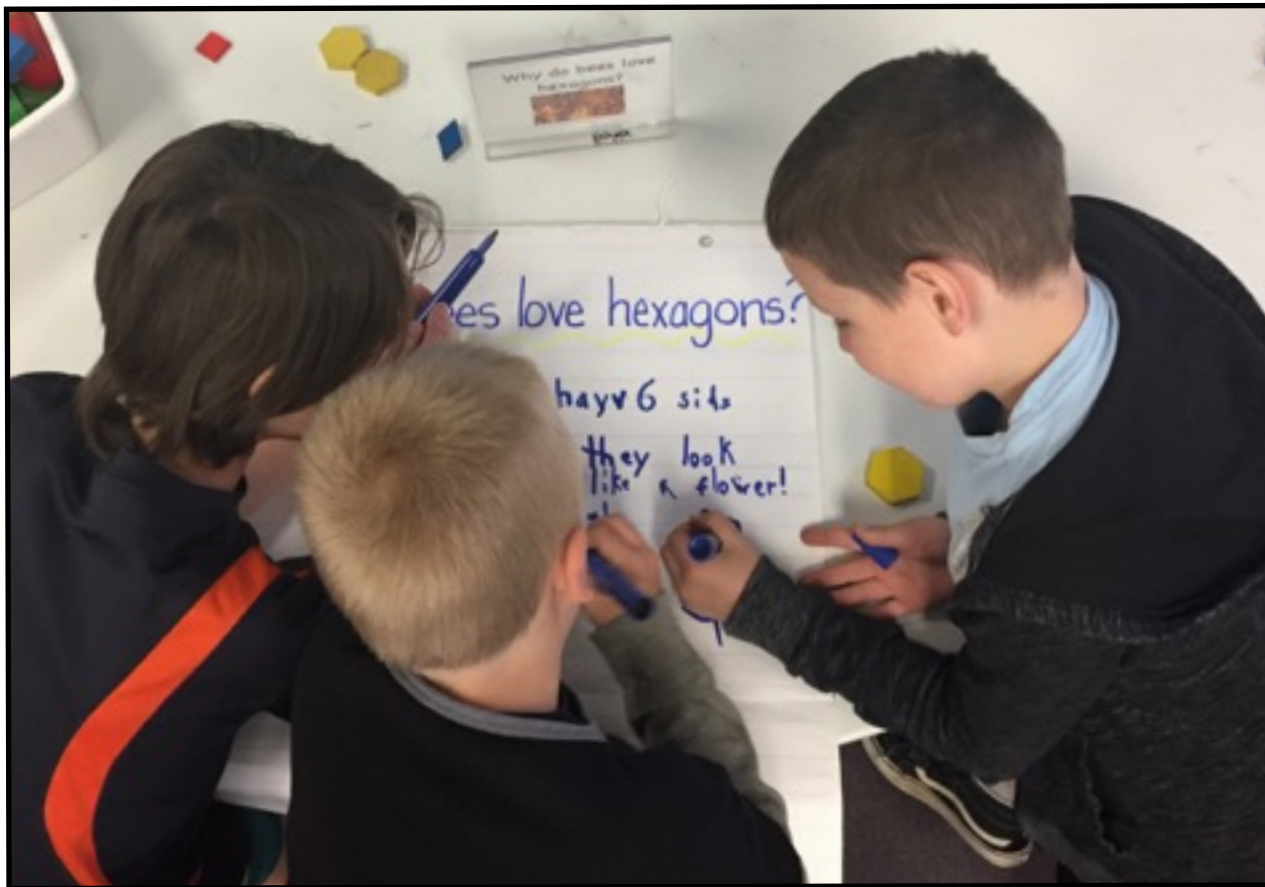
by Gerald Kelley

Benedict the bear enjoys a seemingly-endless supply of fresh honey delivered daily to his back porch.

However, when the bees go on strike, Benedict's daily routine is interrupted and he must face the possibility of a world without honey.







## Numeracy Learning Intentions

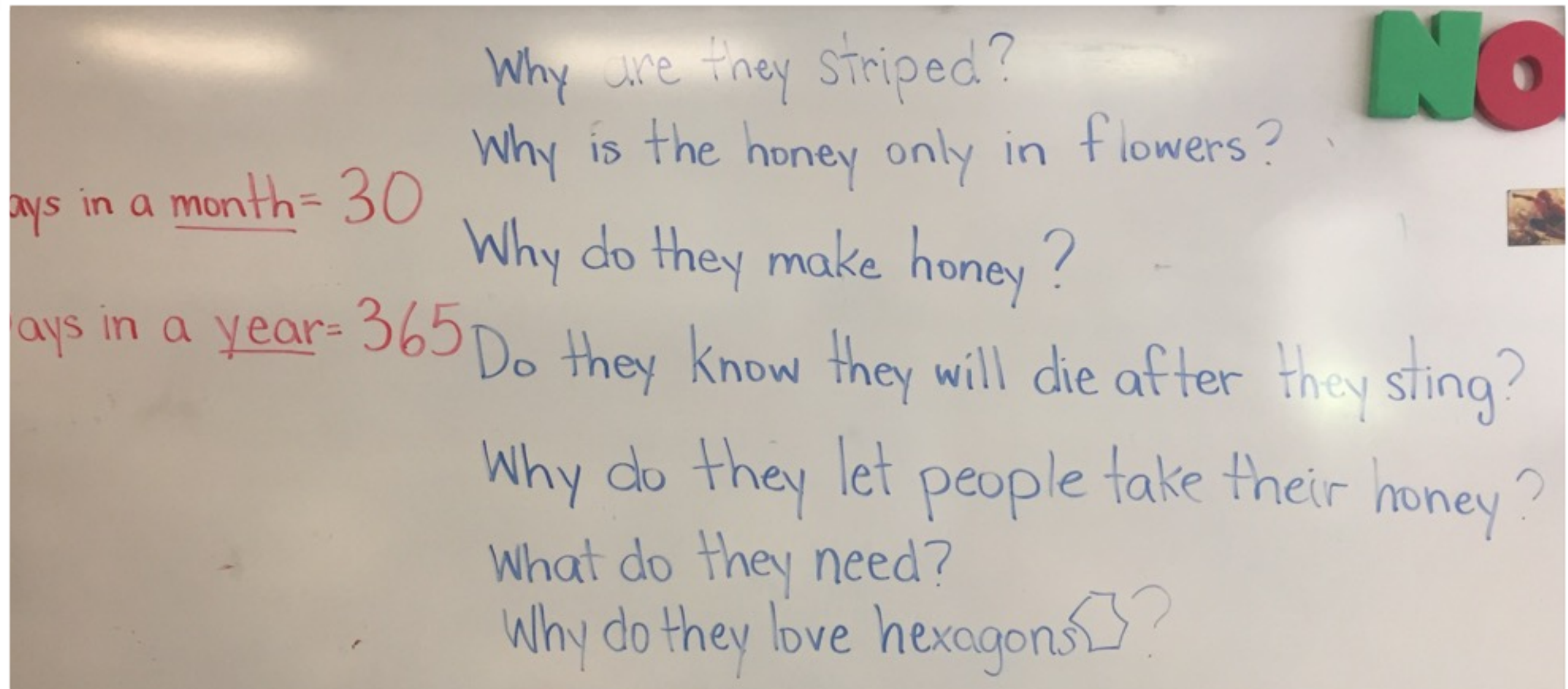
I can communicate what I wonder about bees and specifically my questions connected to mathematics.

I can use concrete materials to explore how geometrical shapes fit together.

I can communicate my conjectures (ideas) about why I believe one shape works better than another.

Thank you to Christie Fraser and her Grade Two class for engaging in these activities!

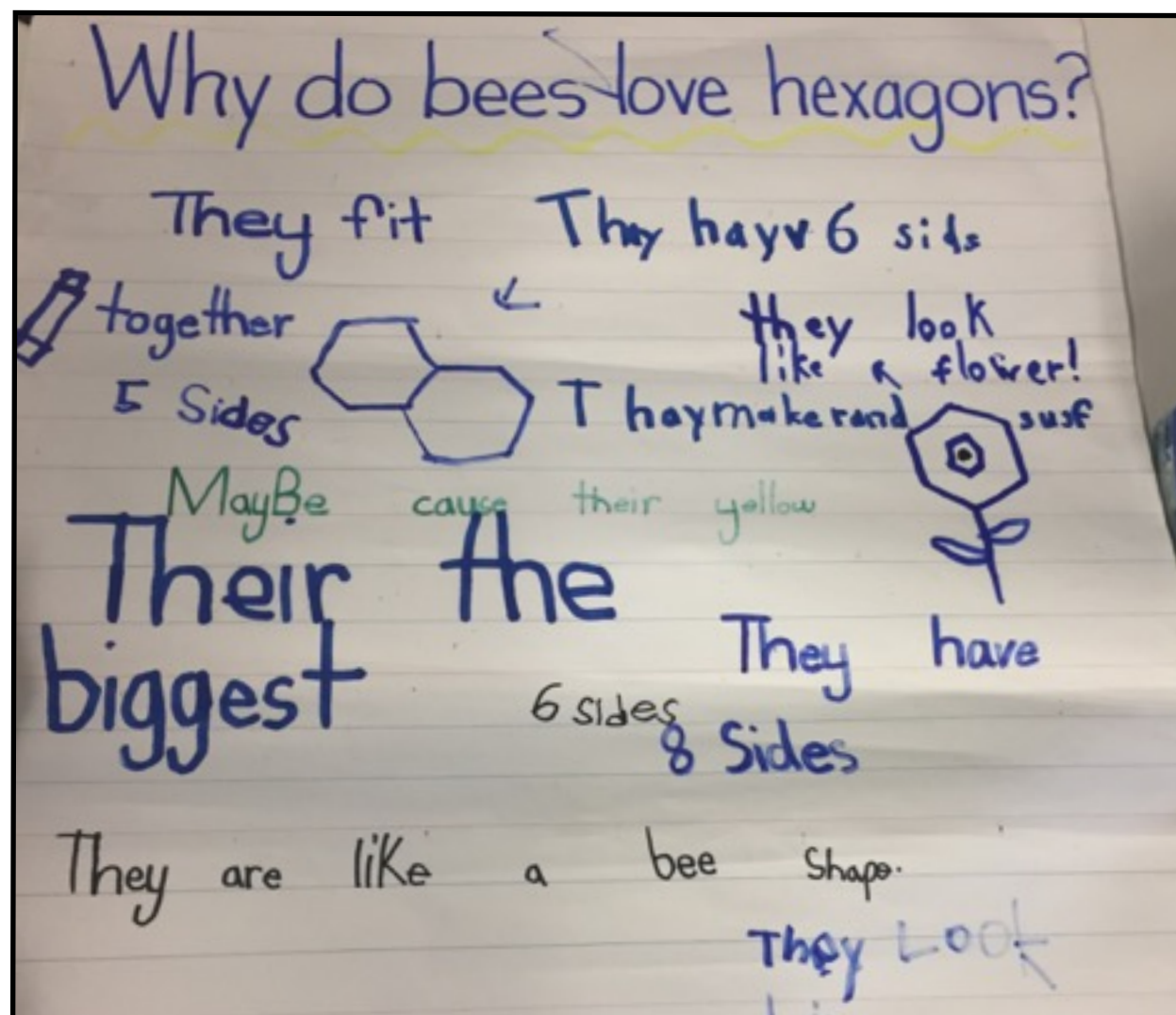
# “What do we wonder about bees?”







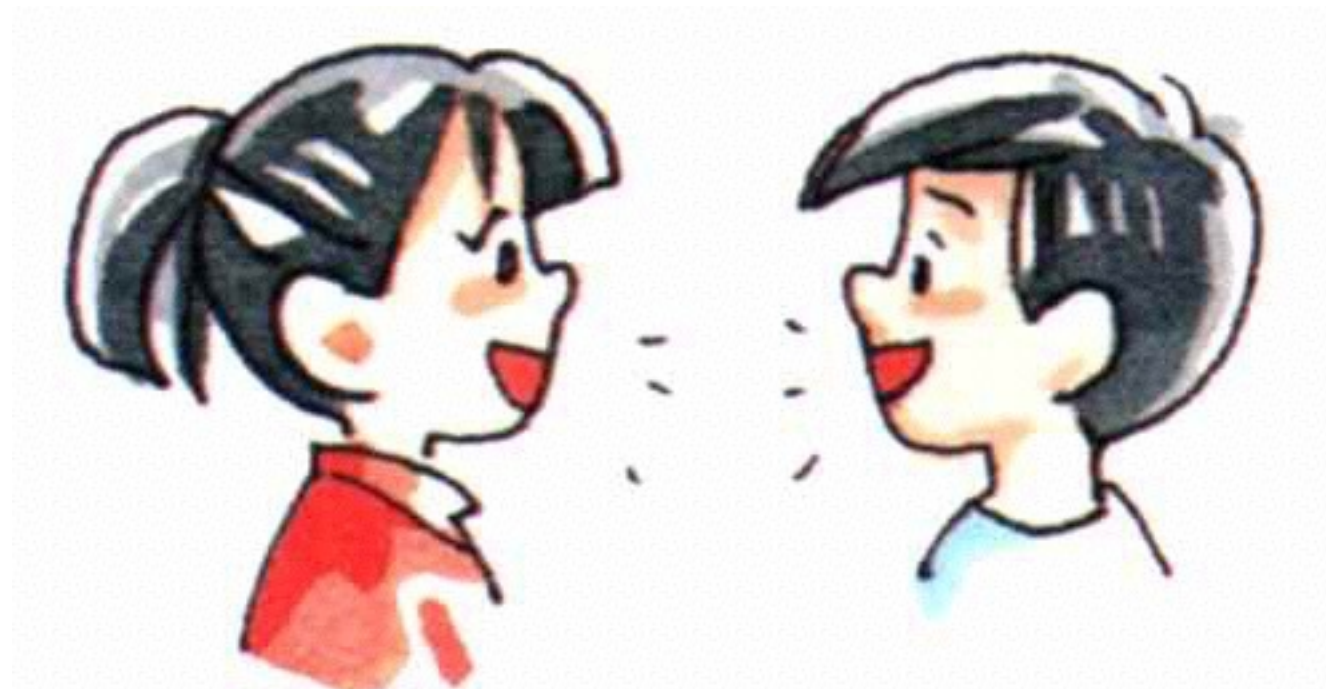
Students need opportunities to communicate their conjectures.



Primary students can construct arguments using concrete items, drawings, and actions. Students at all grades can listen to the arguments of others, decide whether they make sense, and ask useful questions to clarify or improve the argument.

# Build an anchor chart:

- I agree with \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_.
- I didn't understand why you \_\_\_\_\_.
- I disagree with \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_.
- I wonder why you \_\_\_\_\_.
- What if you had \_\_\_\_\_?



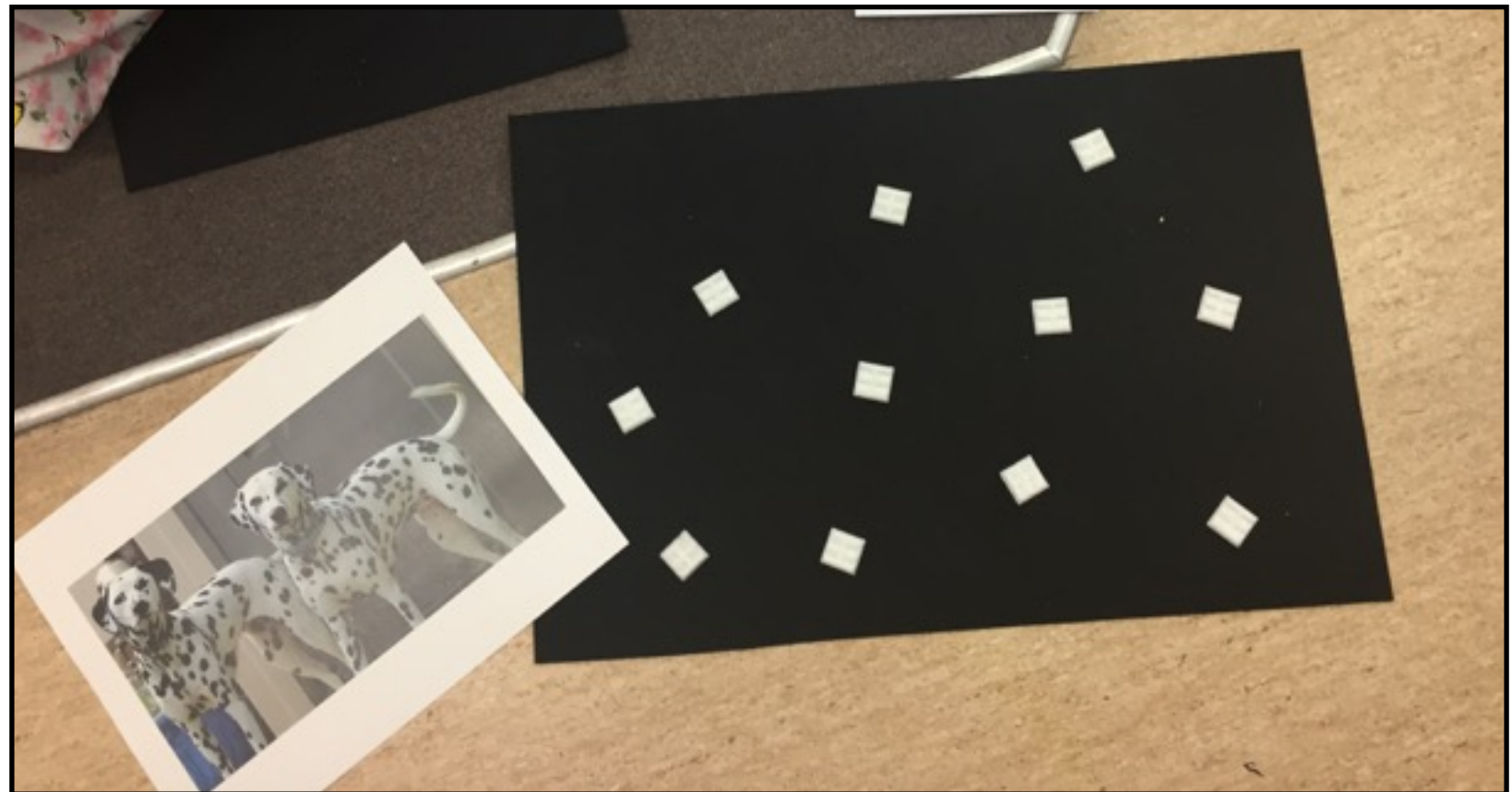
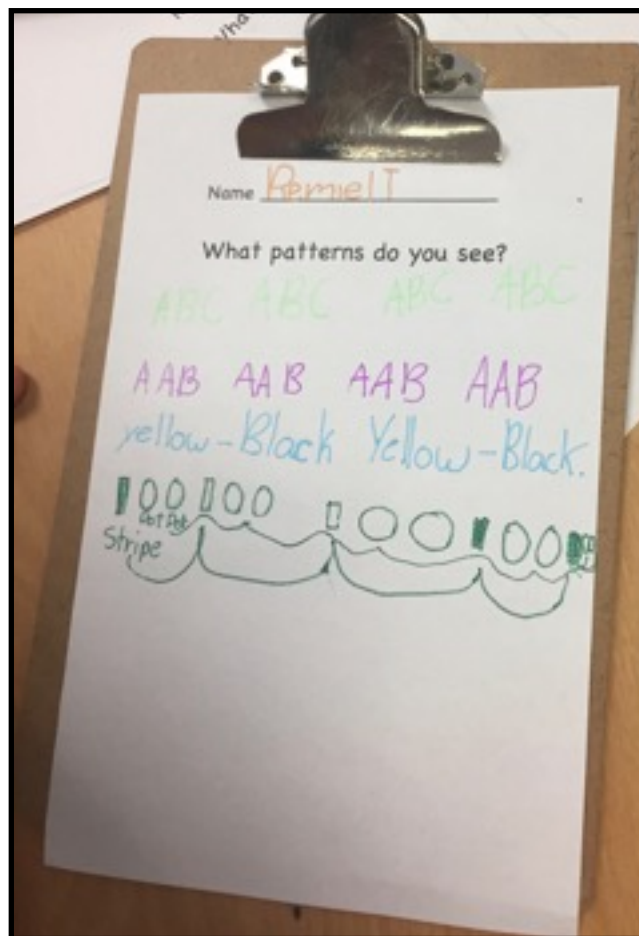




"Where does Math live in our world?"  
Math is ALL around us!



*"When connections to the world are natural and authentic,  
we should make our classroom walls porous." (Zager, 2016)*



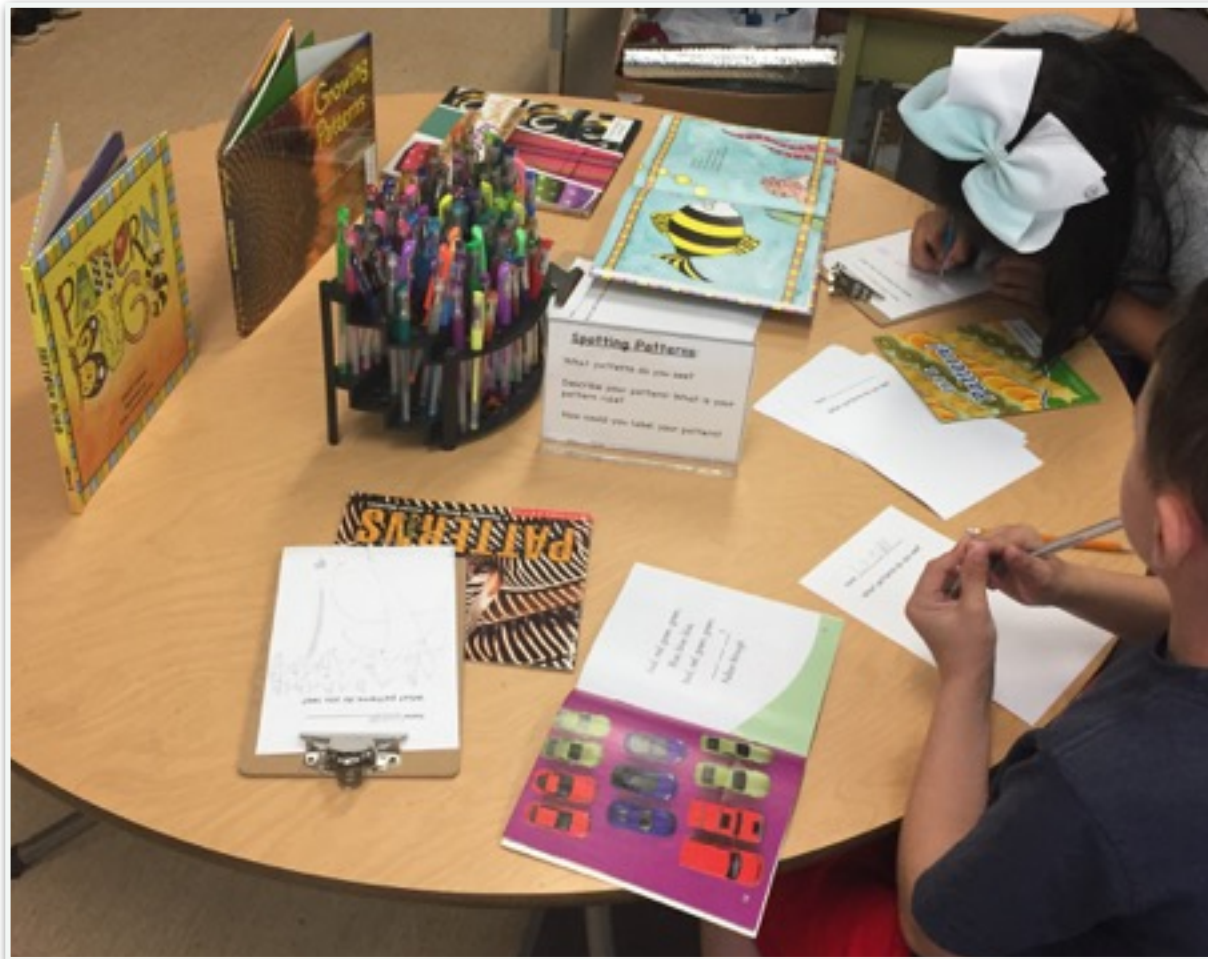
## Numeracy Learning Intentions

I can describe the patterns I see in animals in the world.

I can create and represent patterns using concrete materials, pictures, and numbers and symbols.

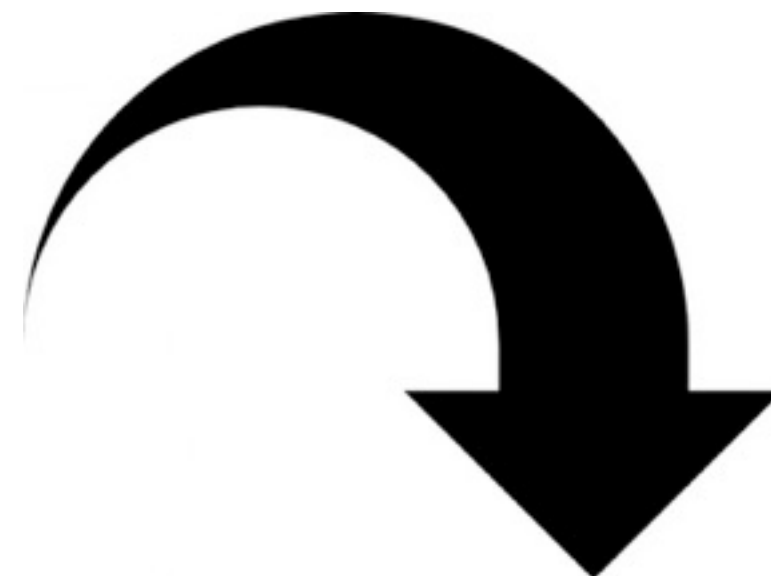
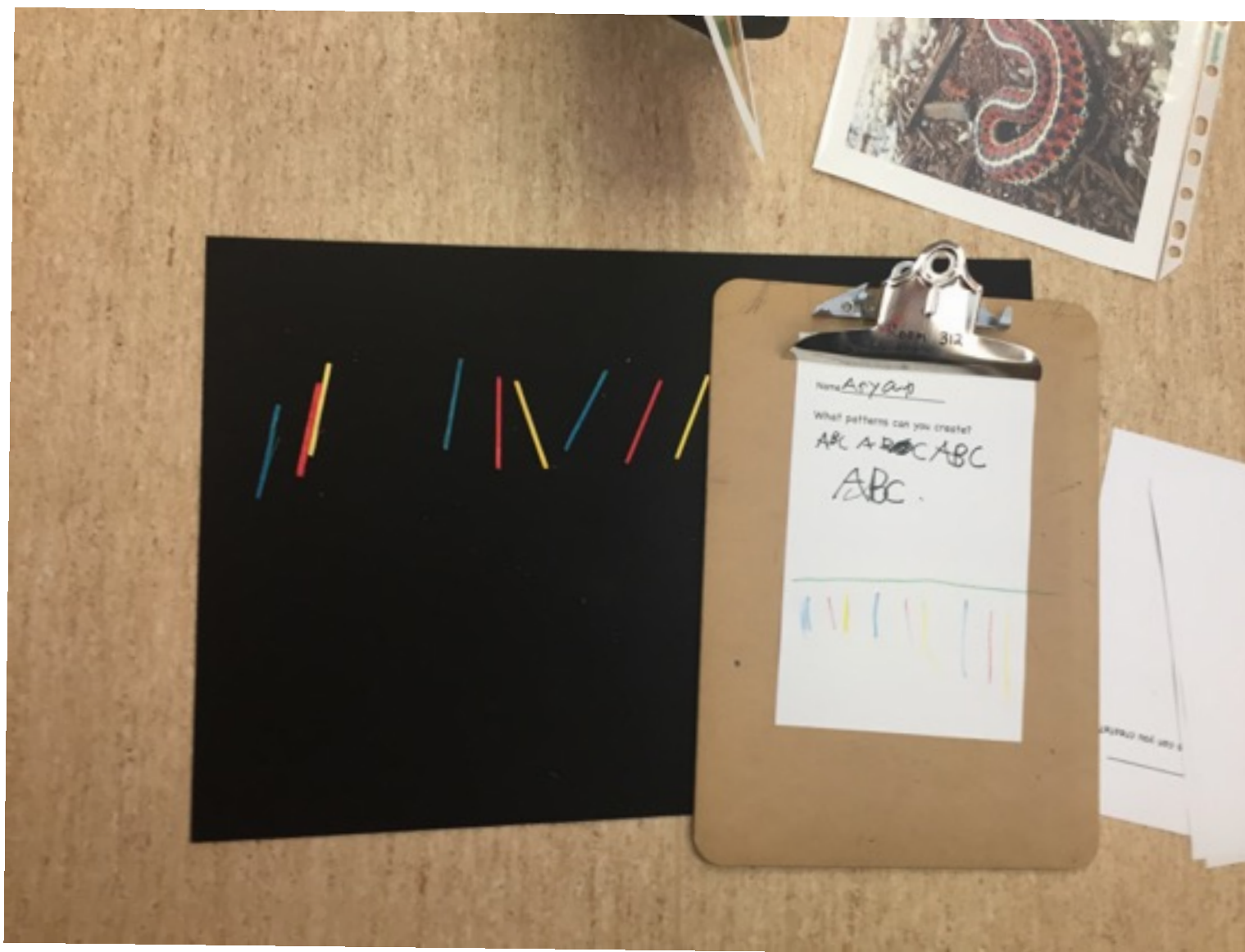
I can describe patterns using mathematical language (e.g., attribute, core, repeat, increase, decrease)





Provide students with many examples of visual patterns in books, photos, and concrete materials.





When students are working with materials, look for ways to extend their thinking by asking guiding questions, such as “How might you label your pattern using letter coding?”



Benedict did the same thing  
each day! This is called a  
pattern.



What patterns  
do you  
experience  
each day?



When students begin to recognize the mathematical  
connections not just within the discipline, but also their lives,  
their understanding becomes deeper.

# Word Problem Challenges:

*Benedict receives three jars of honey every day for a month.  
How many jars of honey does Benedict have after a week?*

**Student One:** “I don’t get it!”

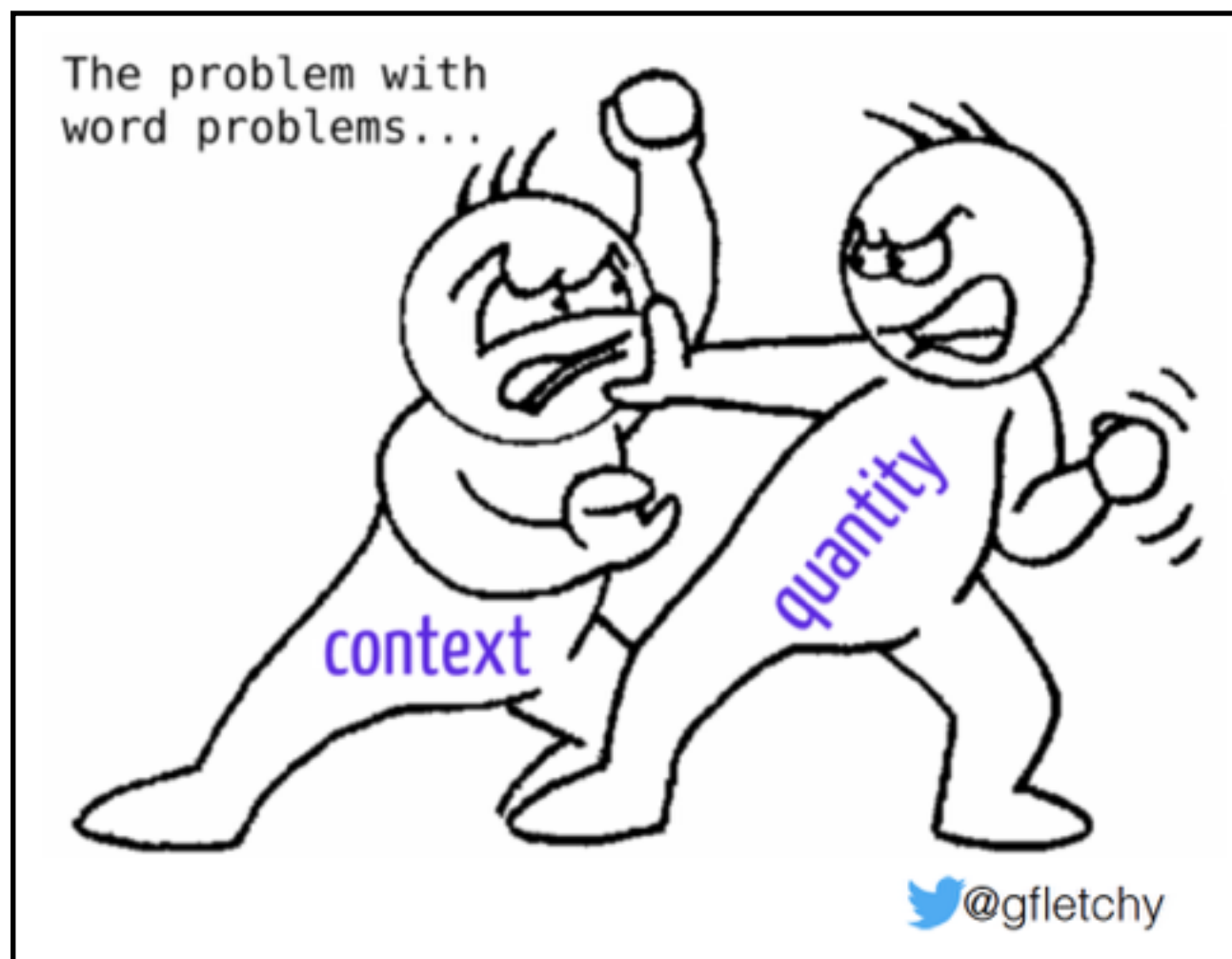
**Student Two:** “This is easy. I already know the answer”

**What challenges might occur for these students?  
How might you respond?**



**Student One:** He/she may not participate, doesn't connect to their own thinking, loses out on the power of noticing and wondering.

**Student Two:** Narrows in too quickly on their thinking. He/she may confuse the context, ultimately they may lose out on the opportunity to gain insight/understanding from strategies shared by their peers.



# Numberless Word Problems

A scaffolded approach to presenting word problems that gets students thinking before they ever have numbers or a question to act on.

- Begin with a situation - question comes later. This causes students to focus on sense making.
- As students notice and wonder - they visualize and predict. Similar to literacy this builds their comprehension and understanding of the context. It keeps some students from racing ahead as soon as they see the numbers.
- As students receive more information, they can reason about quantities and relationships, which develops their ability to problem solve.

Many examples can be found at <https://bit.ly/NumberlessWP>



Every day the bees gave Benedict some honey!



What do you notice?  
What do you wonder?

Every day for one week, the bees brought  
Benedict some honey.

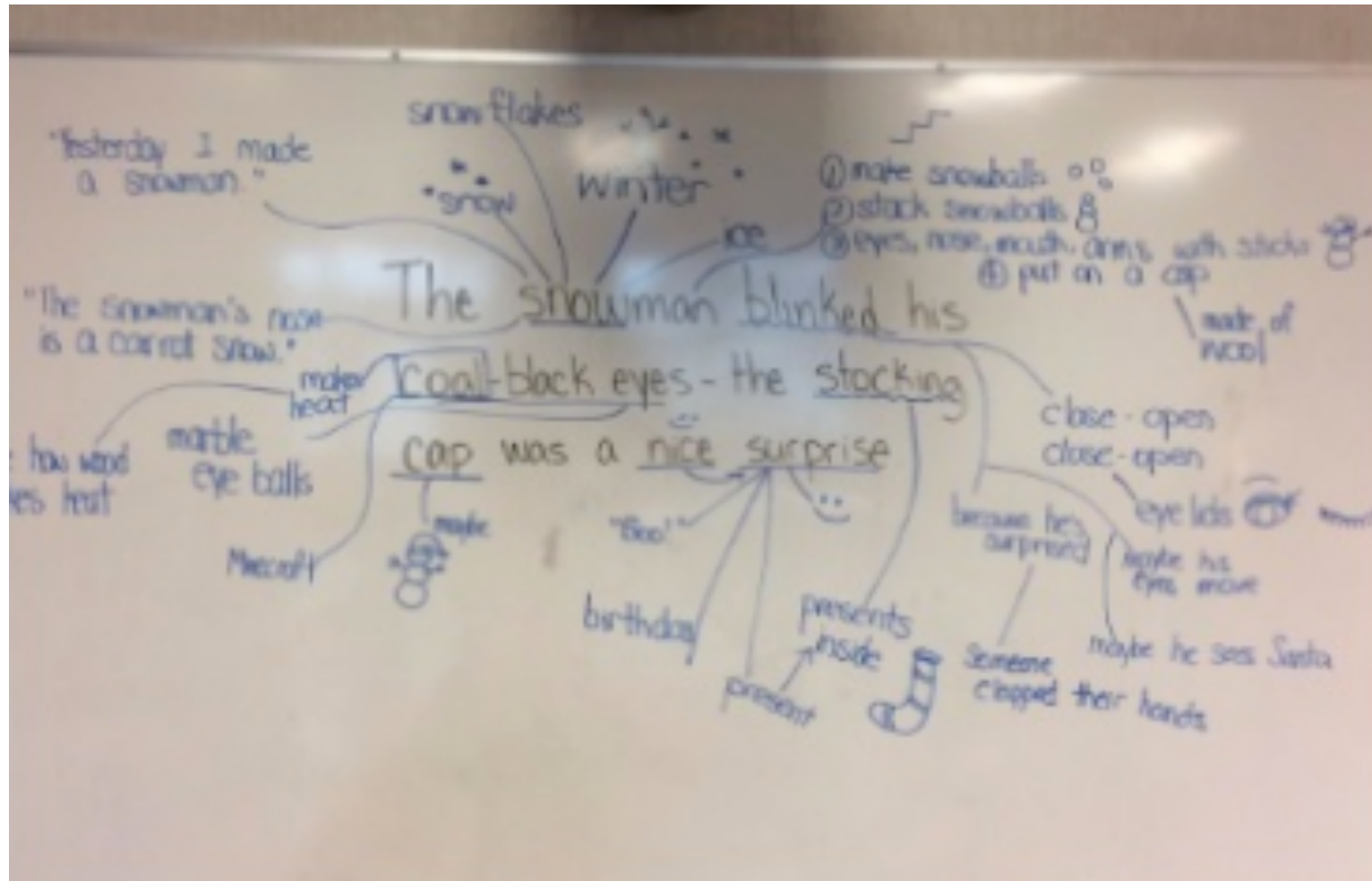




Each day the bees brought  
Benedict three jars of honey.



# Similarities between “Explode the Sentence or Image” and “Notice Wonder”



Faye Brownlie, Learning By Design, May 2017

Both readers and mathematicians need to spend time **SENSE MAKING!**



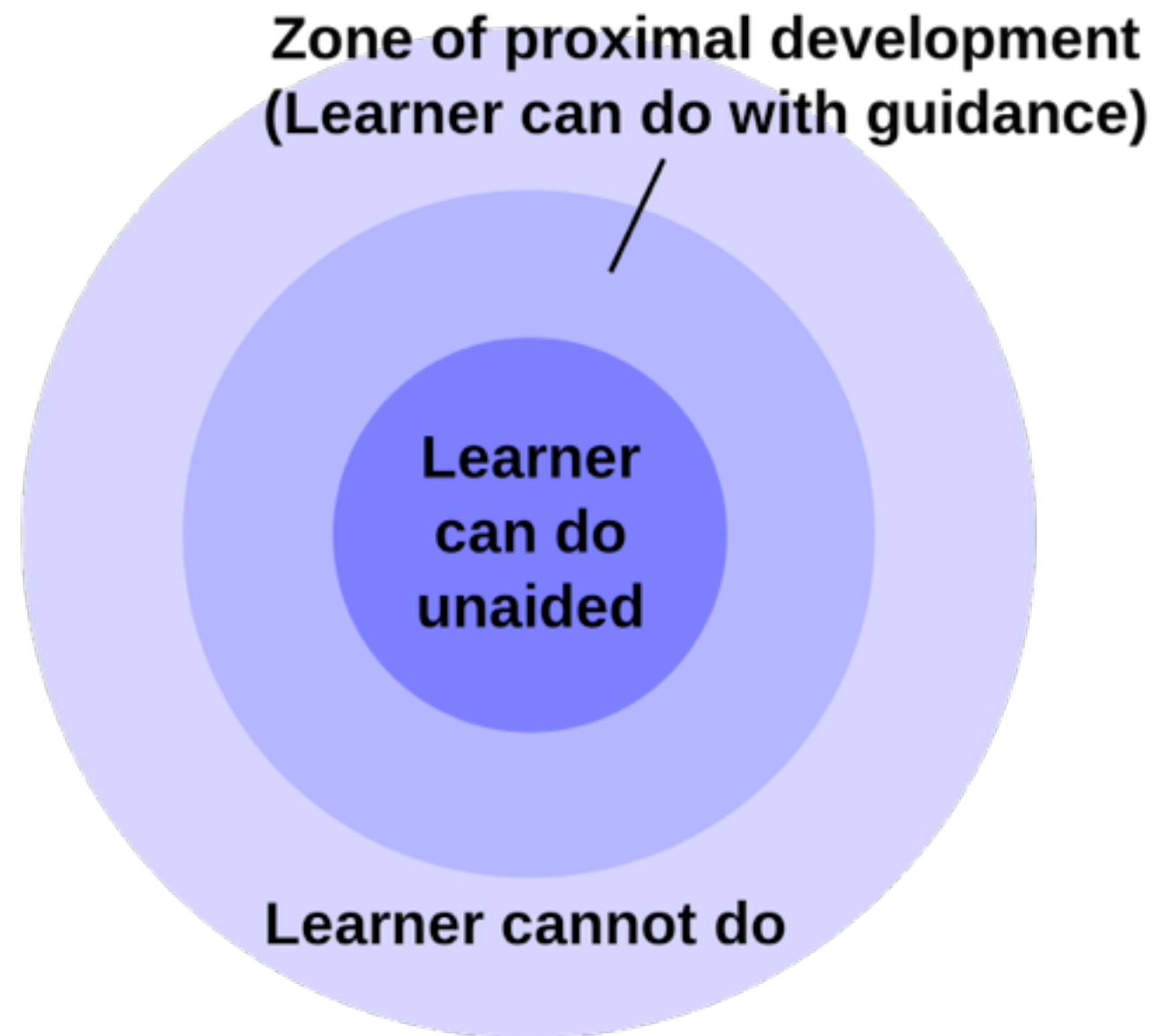
# Numberless Word Problems include:

## Storytelling:

- Actions
- Characters

## Scaffolding:

- creates a safe space to take risks when the numbers are removed
- connects to prior knowledge
- increases communication and collaboration



Through visualizing and predicting, students develop problem solving abilities.

# Open Strategy Share

Elicit many different ideas to hear the range of ways our students are thinking

Building students' repertoire of strategies

Students listen for and contribute in different ways to solve the same problem

Generate many different ideas

Move across a broad terrain of concepts, procedures, representations, explanations

Can you explain how you solved?

Did anybody solve in a different way?





“I want teachers to become addicted to listening to students’ mathematical ideas...

Once we become fascinated by our students’ creativity and ingenuity, we become more motivated to teach math...

Aspire to talk less, and listen more, to ask better questions, to make more thoughtful instructional decisions, to support our young mathematicians.”

- Zager, (2017)



“A mathematical representation often highlights only one aspect of a mathematical concept. To restrict oneself to any one mathematical representation is to approach the concept blindfolded. A holistic picture of the concept begins to emerge only when one removes the blindfold and looks at the idea from different perspectives.”

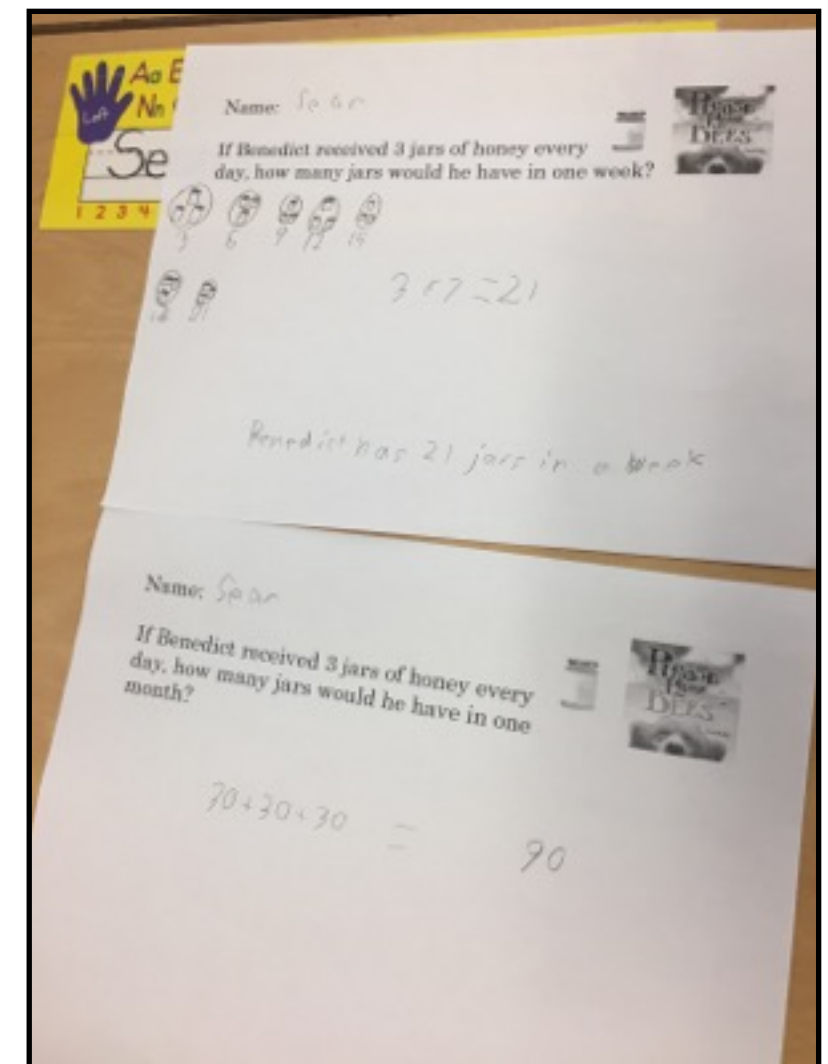
–Preeti Tripathi in Zager, 2017



# Connecting Representations

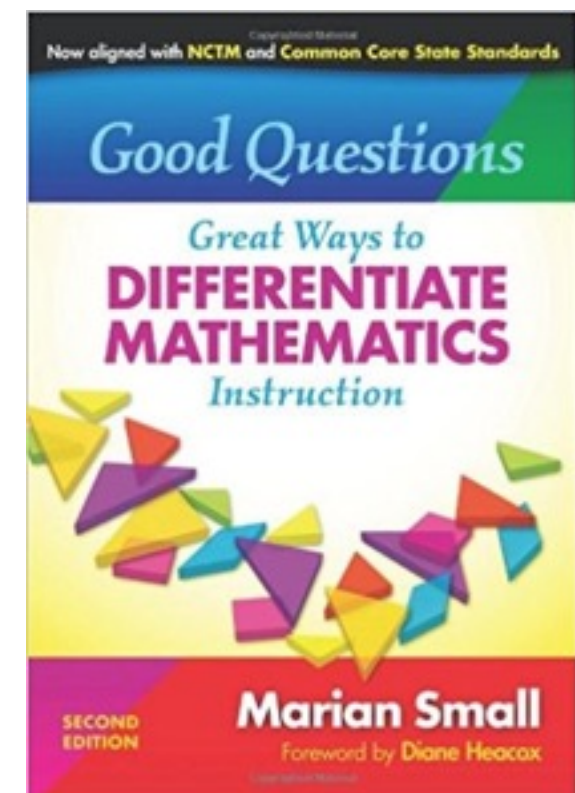
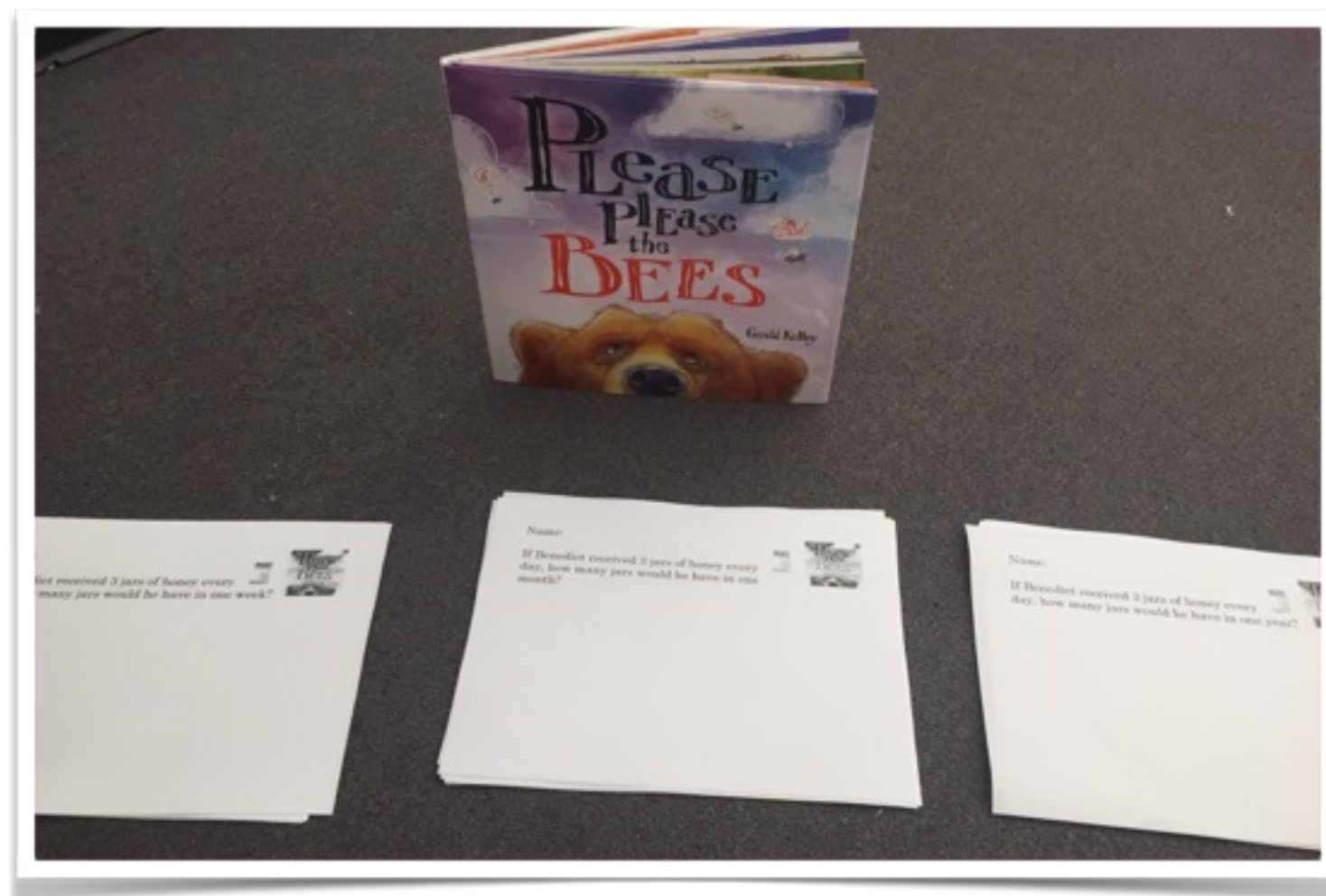
- Walk around the room and find one or two other students. Compare your strategies. Be prepared to tell me about one of your friend's strategies.
- Try to find one person whose strategy you think makes sense and one person whose representation you're not quite sure about.

Note: Discussion should occur about talking about the math, not putting down the person. Remember that anchor chart!



# How Do I Ensure A Productive Struggle for ALL My Students?

**Parallel Tasks**: Two or more tasks that focus on the same big idea at different developmental levels.







## Literacy Learning Intentions

I can tell a story using what I know about bees.  
I can add to/change my story with new information.

I understand that readers read for different purposes.

I know how text features work in non-fiction books.

I can share facts and information orally and in writing.



# “Do you like bees?”

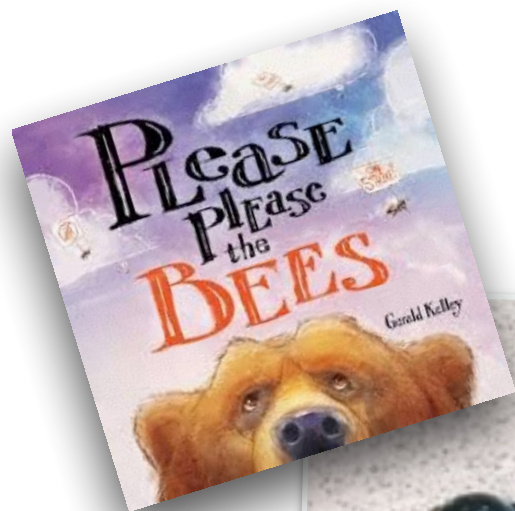


Talking/listening about personal opinions,  
based on prior experience and knowledge of Bees.

*I recognize that there are different points-of-view and I can disagree respectfully.*



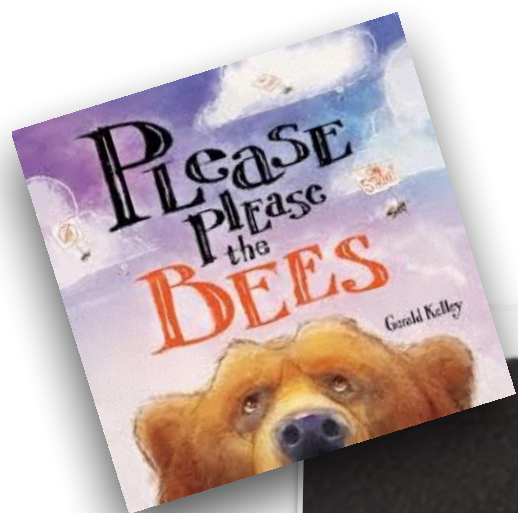




“Can you tell a story about this bee?”



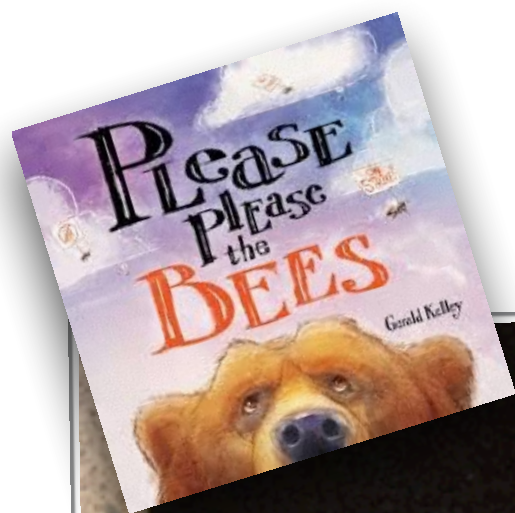




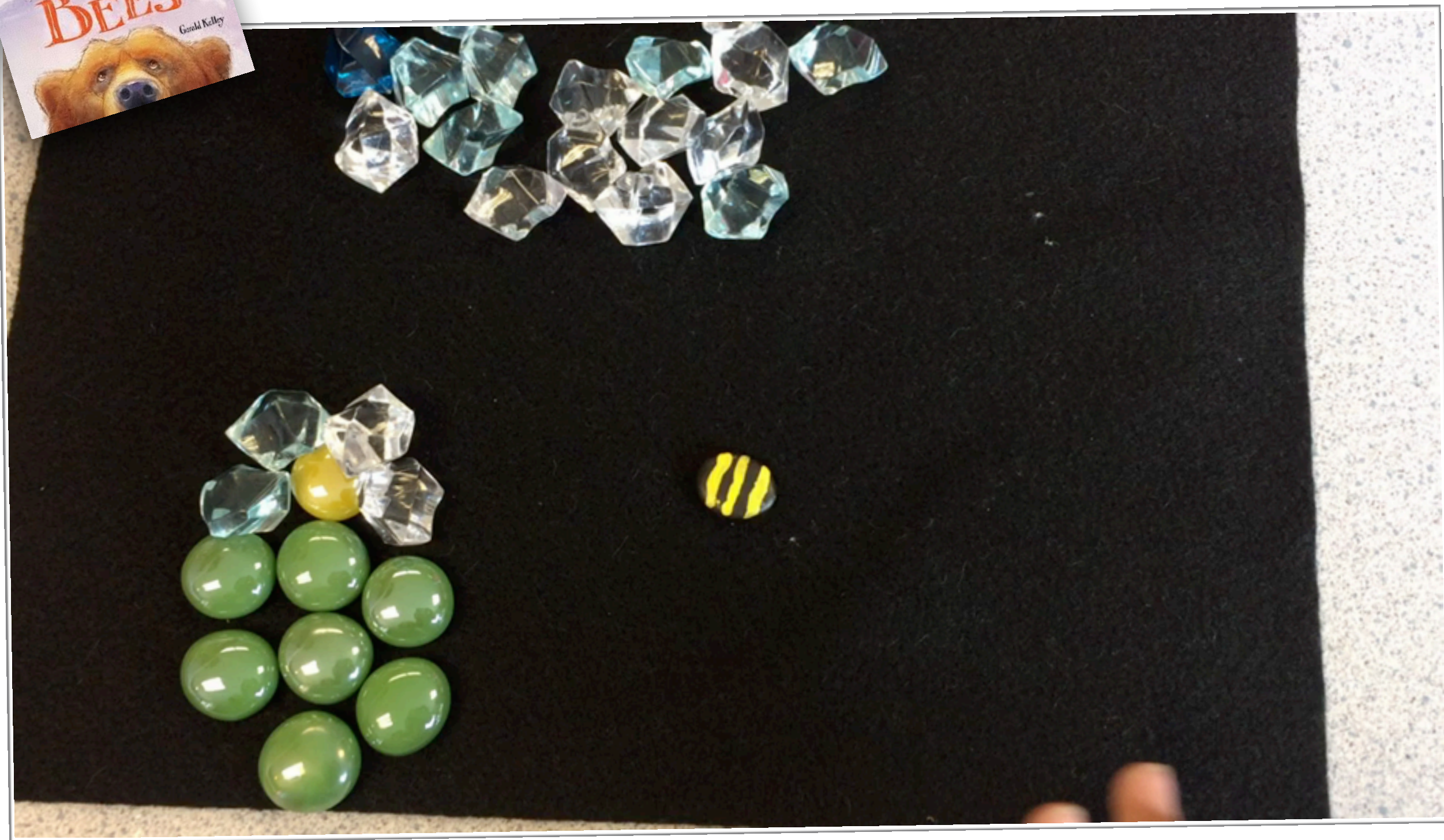
“Can you tell a story about this bee?”







“Can you tell a story about this bee?”



*I'm noticing: Can she tell a story? What vocabulary does she know?*

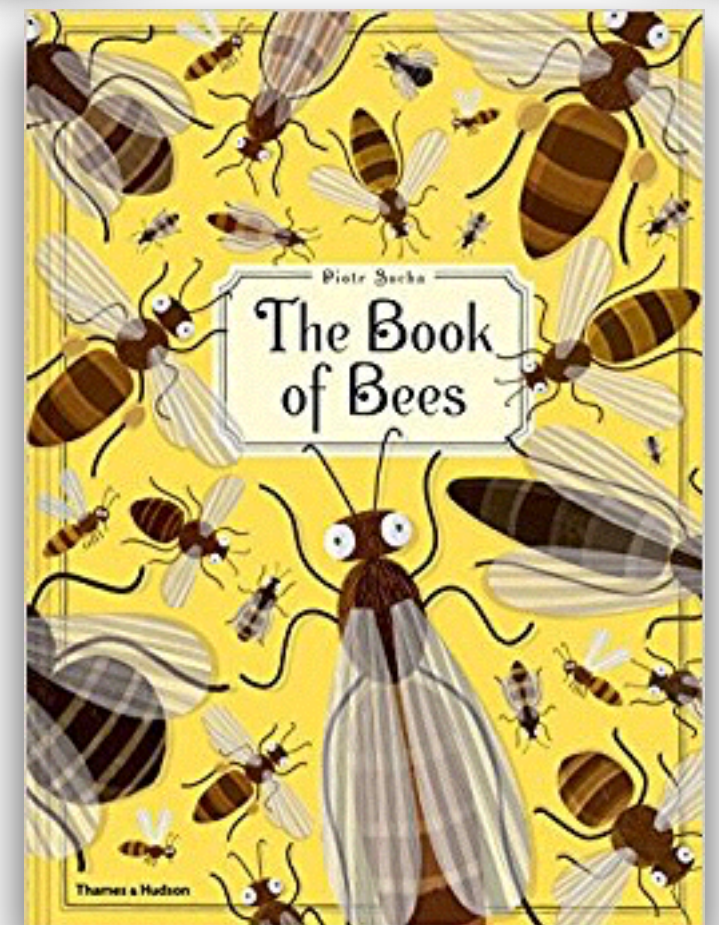




Let's notice what Benedict did to please the bees.  
What can we tell about bees from what he did?



How could we help bees?  
What could we do to please the bees?



*Videos and/or information books*

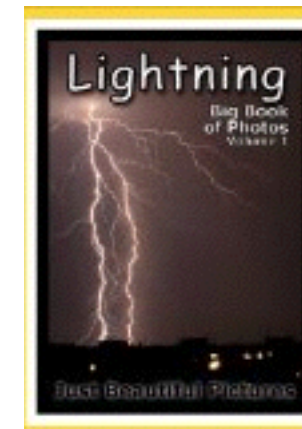
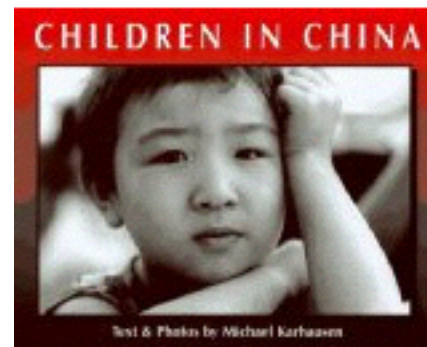


# Types of non-fiction books:

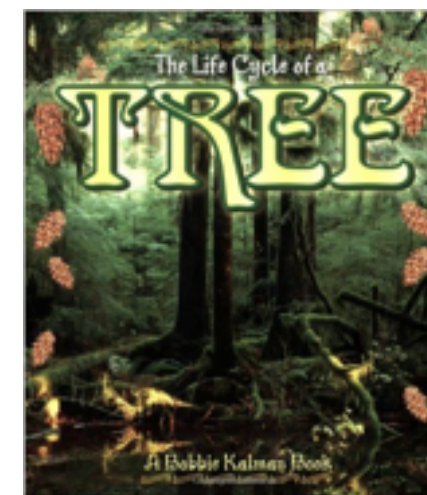
**CONCEPT BOOKS :**  
*Single topic, simple,  
interesting*



**PHOTO ESSAYS:**  
*Extends text with  
photos*



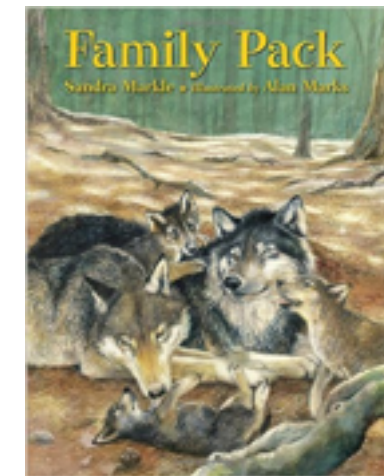
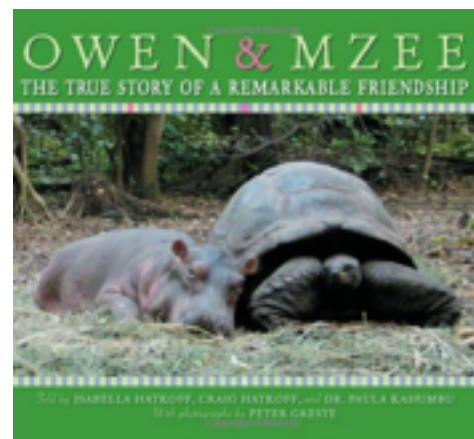
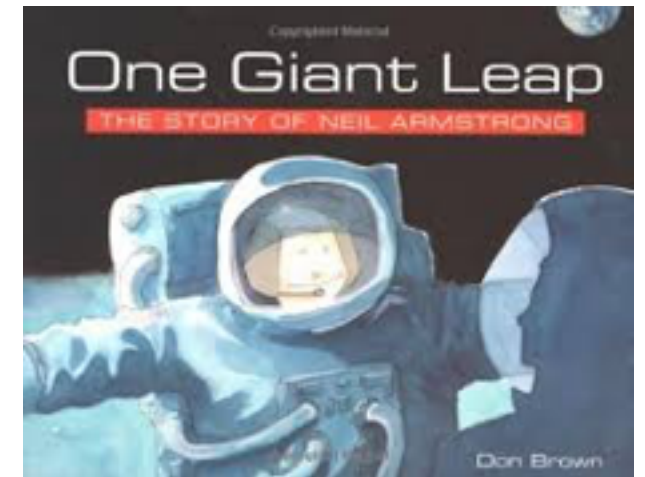
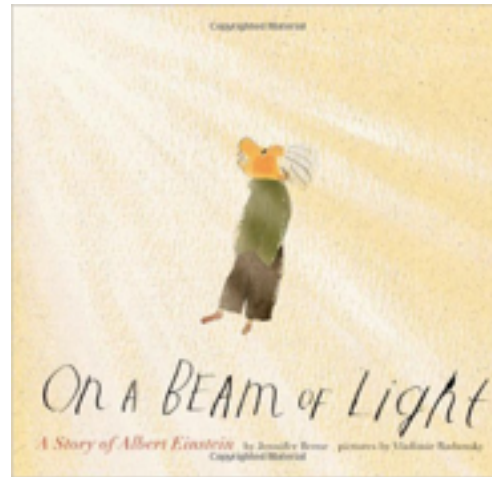
**LIFE CYCLE BOOKS:**  
*Presents life cycle in  
more detail & more  
appeal*





# Types of non-fiction books:

**NARRATIVE  
NONFICTION:**  
*Factual information  
written in narrative  
format,  
also known as  
"creative nonfiction"*



- Concepts are embedded in narrative
- Language is both academic and conversational
- Cognitively less demanding for ELL students



## Acquire, interpret, and present information

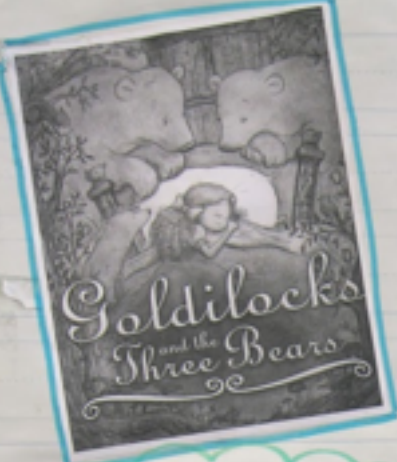

“What job will your bee have?”

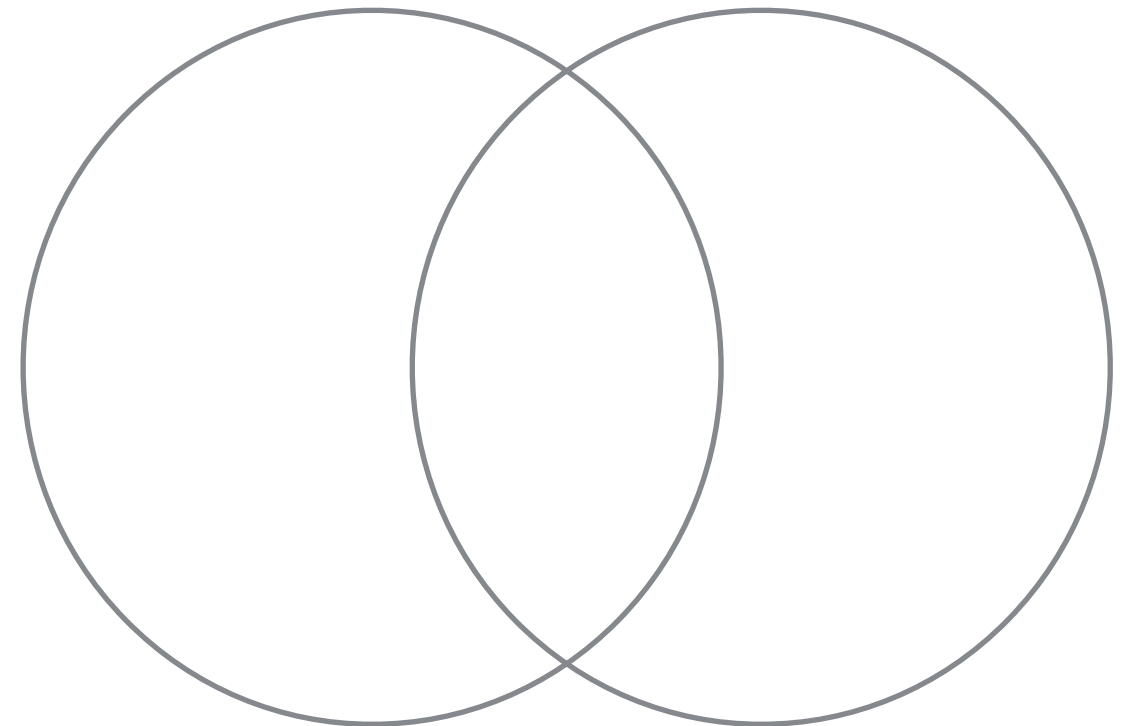
“What might you add to your story with what you now know about bees?”





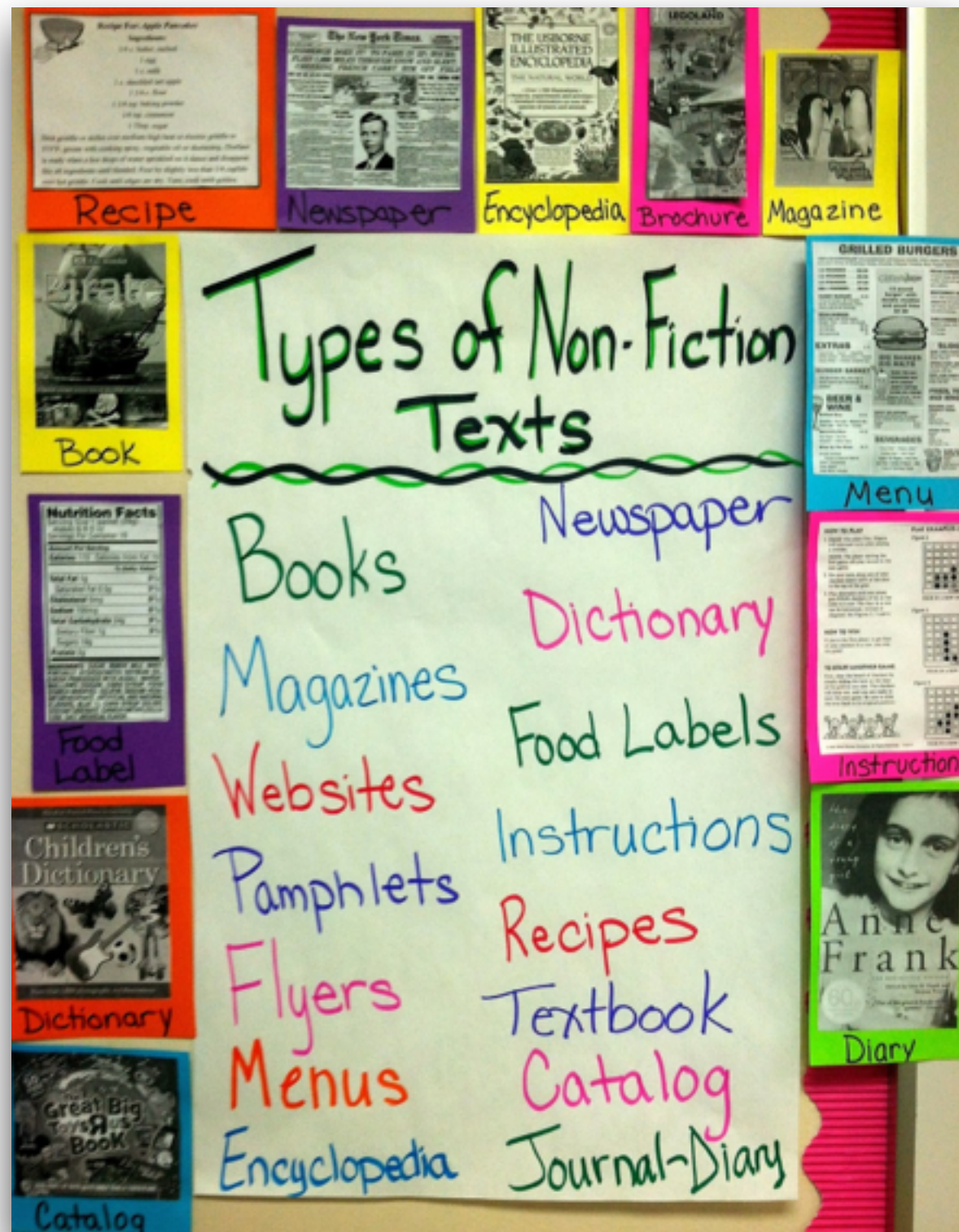
# Compare/Contrasting book purposes

	
fiction	non-fiction
not real characters & made up setting 🏠 beginning 😊 middle 😞 (problem) end 😊 (resolution) illustrations 🖼️	real and true gives information teaches us about the world text features (heading, captions, page numbers) real pictures

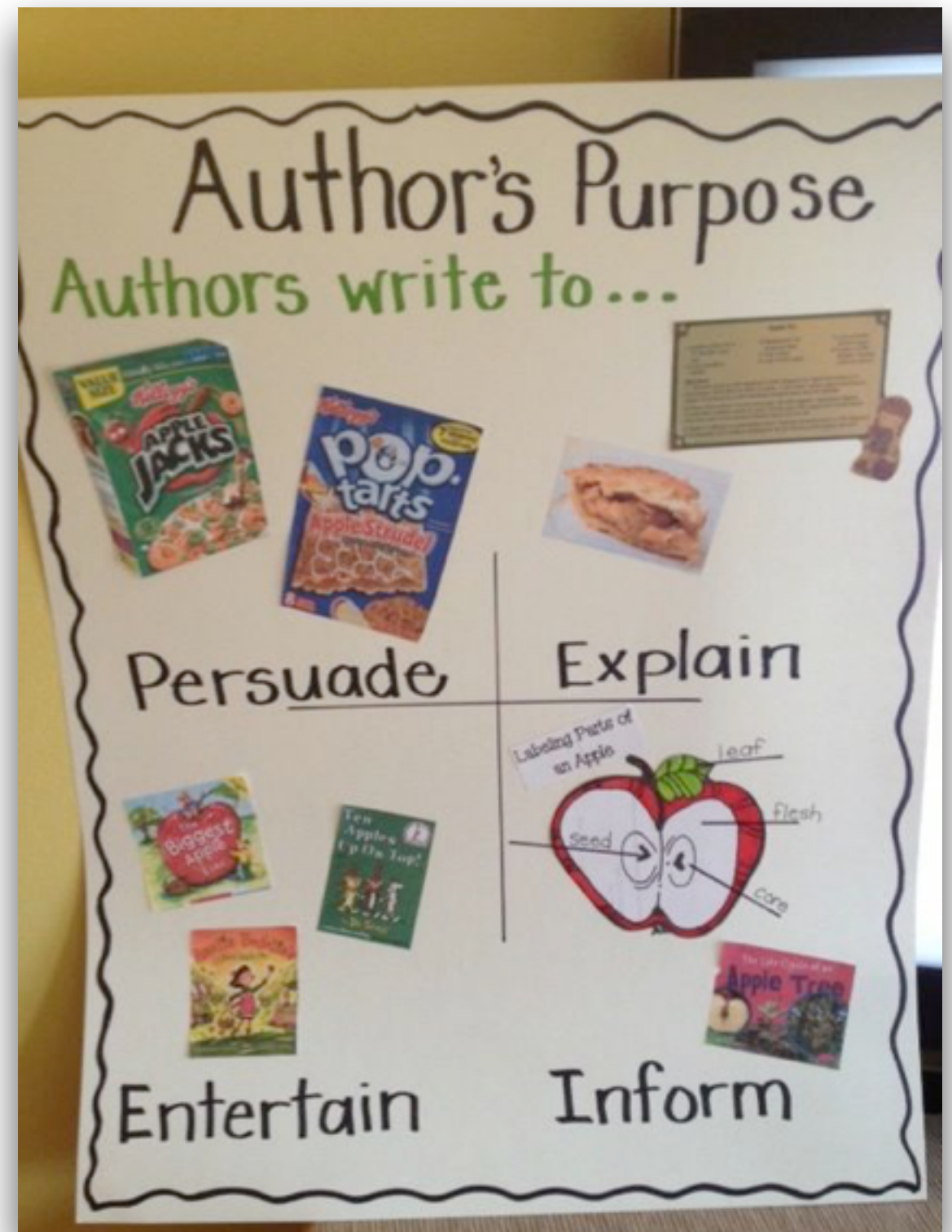




Explore different forms & purposes for text -  
to entertain, to inform, to persuade



[hellolearning.blogspot.ca](http://hellolearning.blogspot.ca)

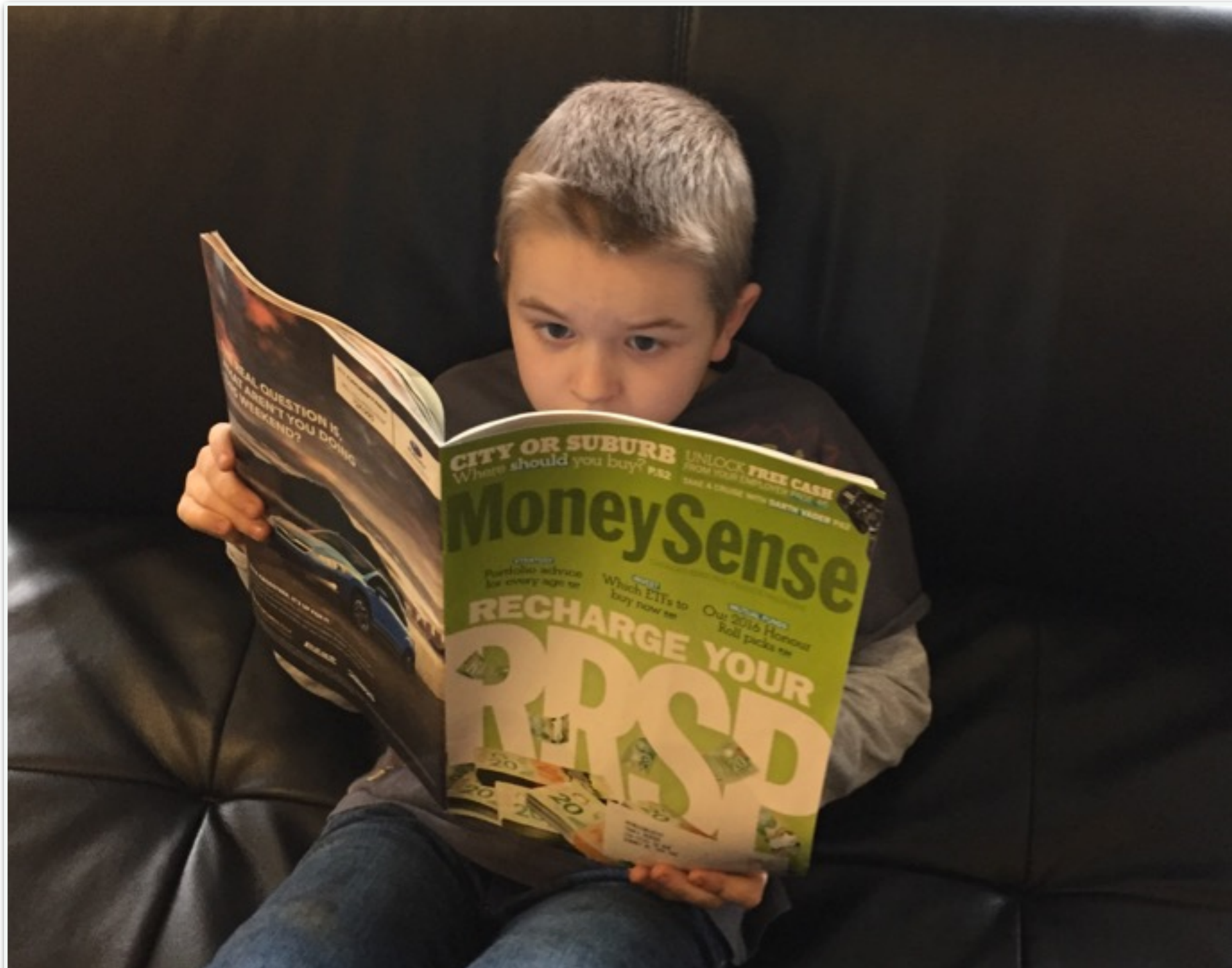


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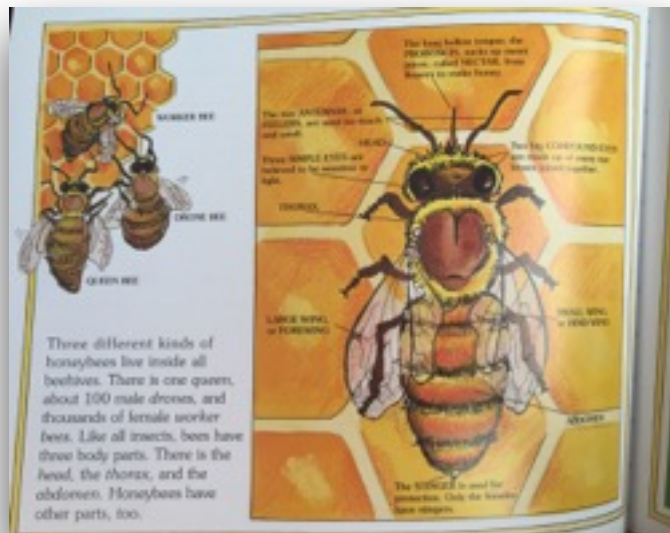


## Non-fiction text:

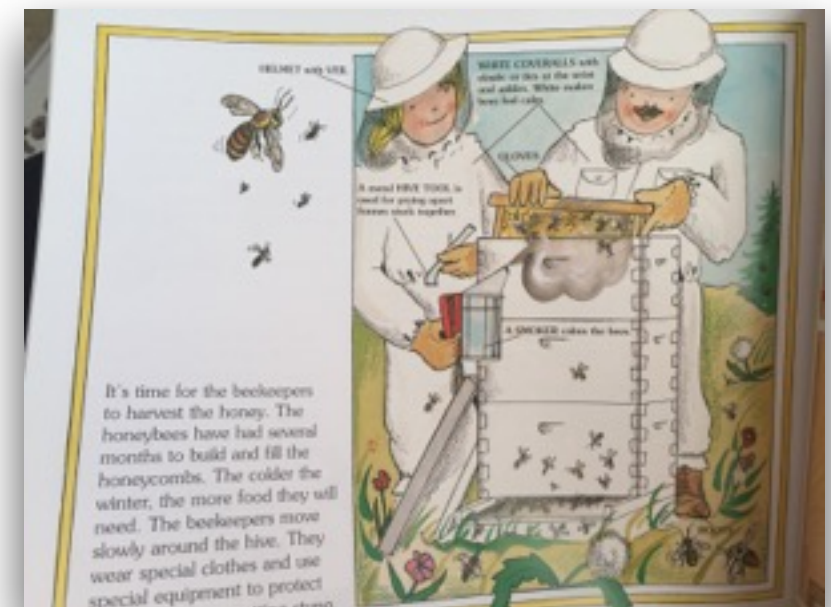
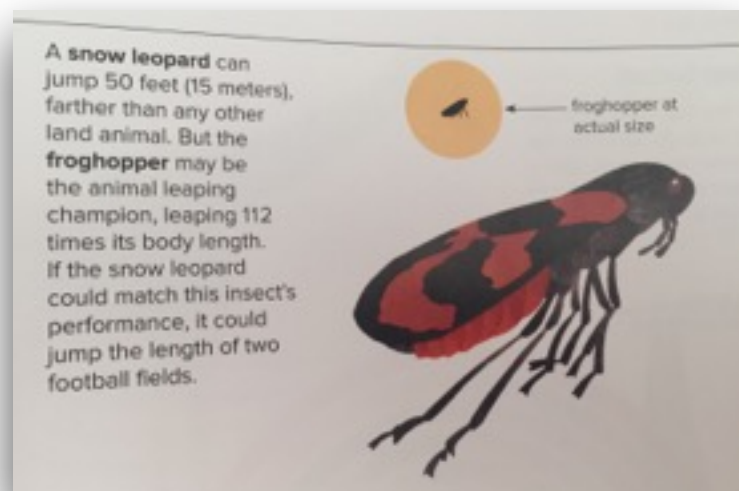
*Academic language* and an understanding of text features helps us learn from non-fiction texts.



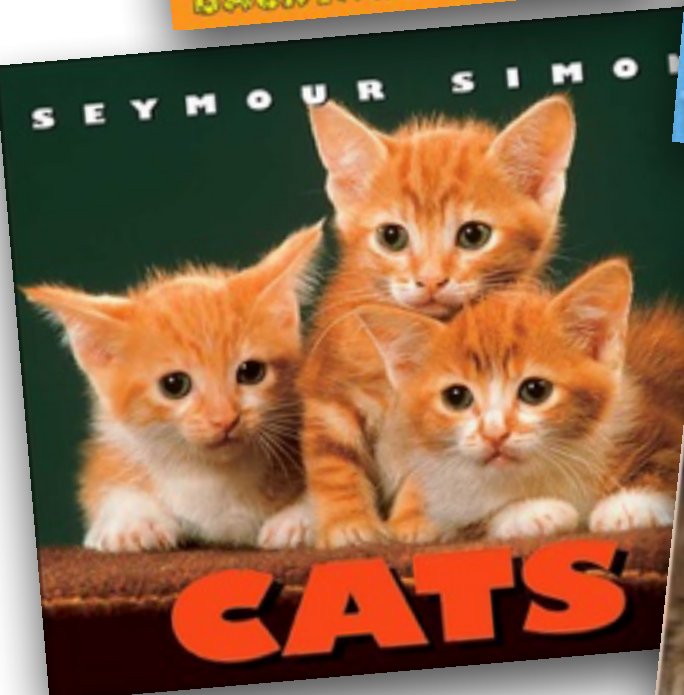
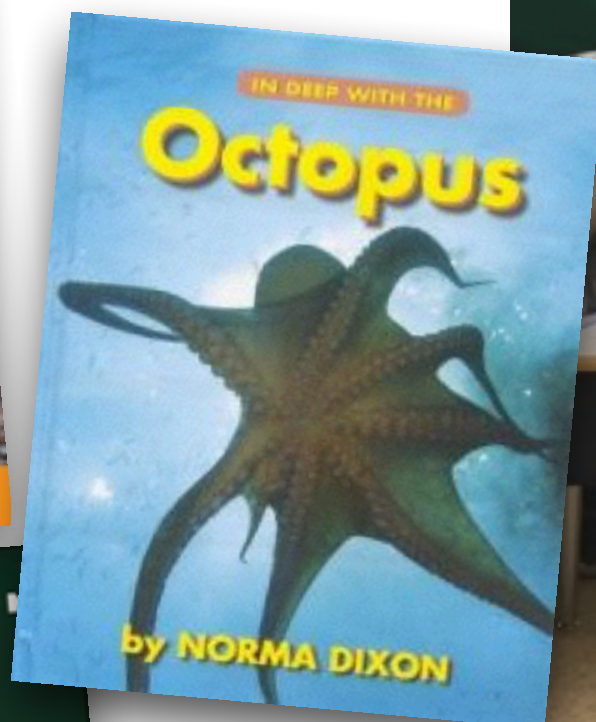
# Non-Fiction text features



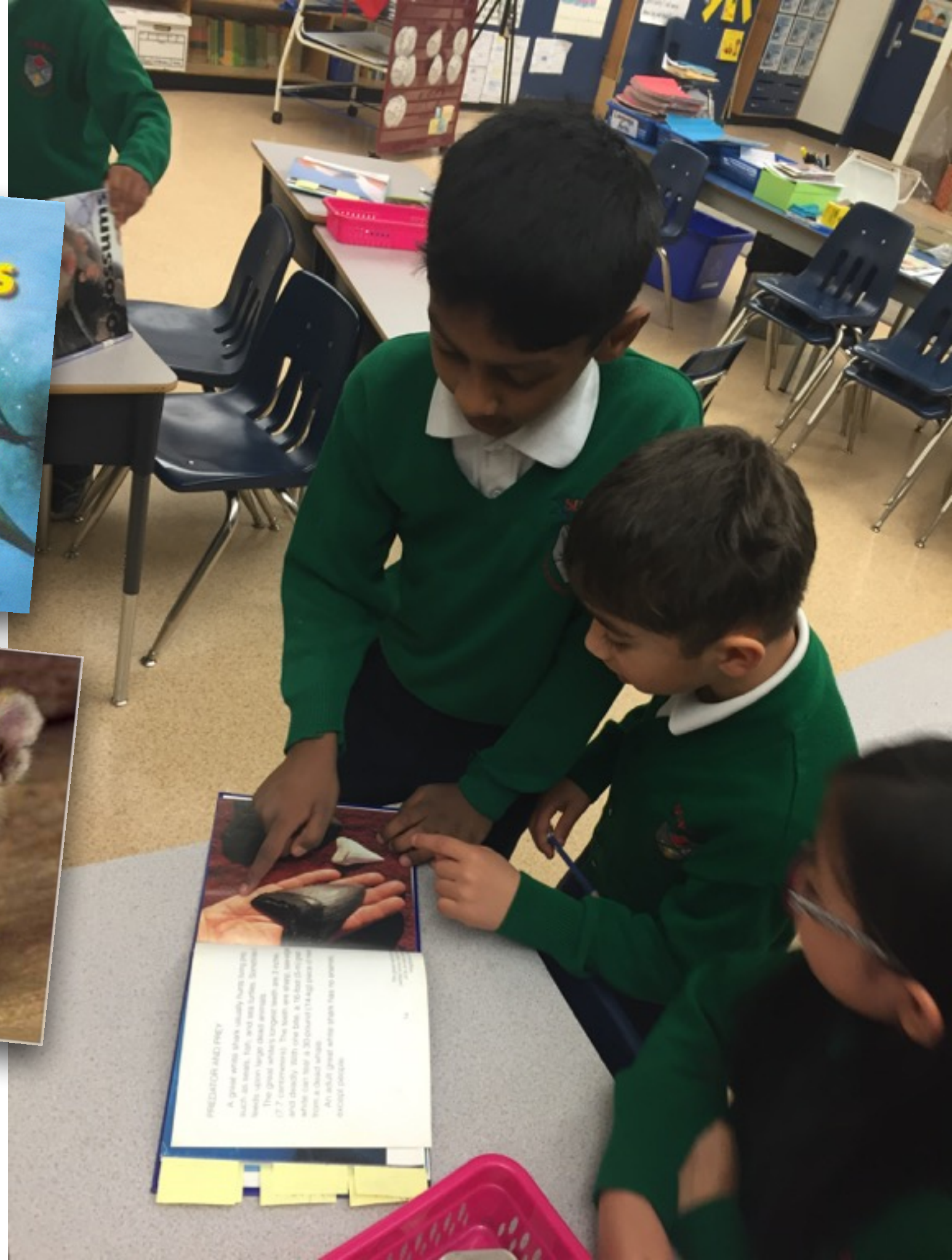
- Photos/Illustrations
- Tables of Contents
- Graphs & Charts
- Diagrams
- Headings & Bold Lettering
- Timelines
- Glossaries & Indexes



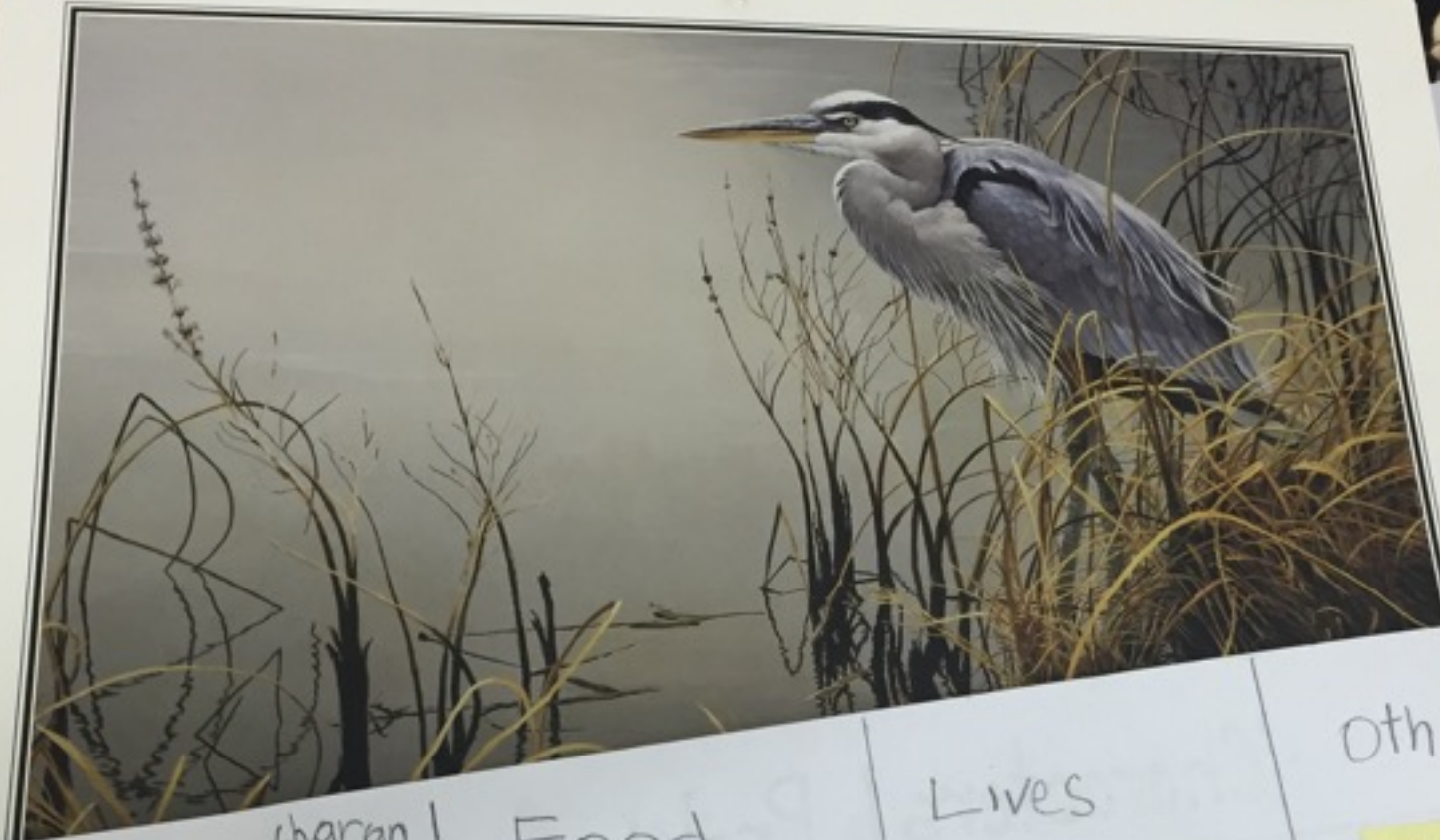




Talking, noticing,  
wondering, writing







charan  
Appearance

He is blue  
black white

short and  
long fether

He has  
fether

Food

eat frog

Lives

He live in  
ponds

Other

long neck

long legs  
for wading

“Which category needs more information?”

(Eva Misner - Grade 1 - Surrey Traditional)



Model non-fiction language:

Giraffes have \_\_\_\_\_.

Alligator babies are \_\_\_\_\_.

Deer eat \_\_\_\_\_.

Bears live in \_\_\_\_\_.

Sharks like to \_\_\_\_\_.

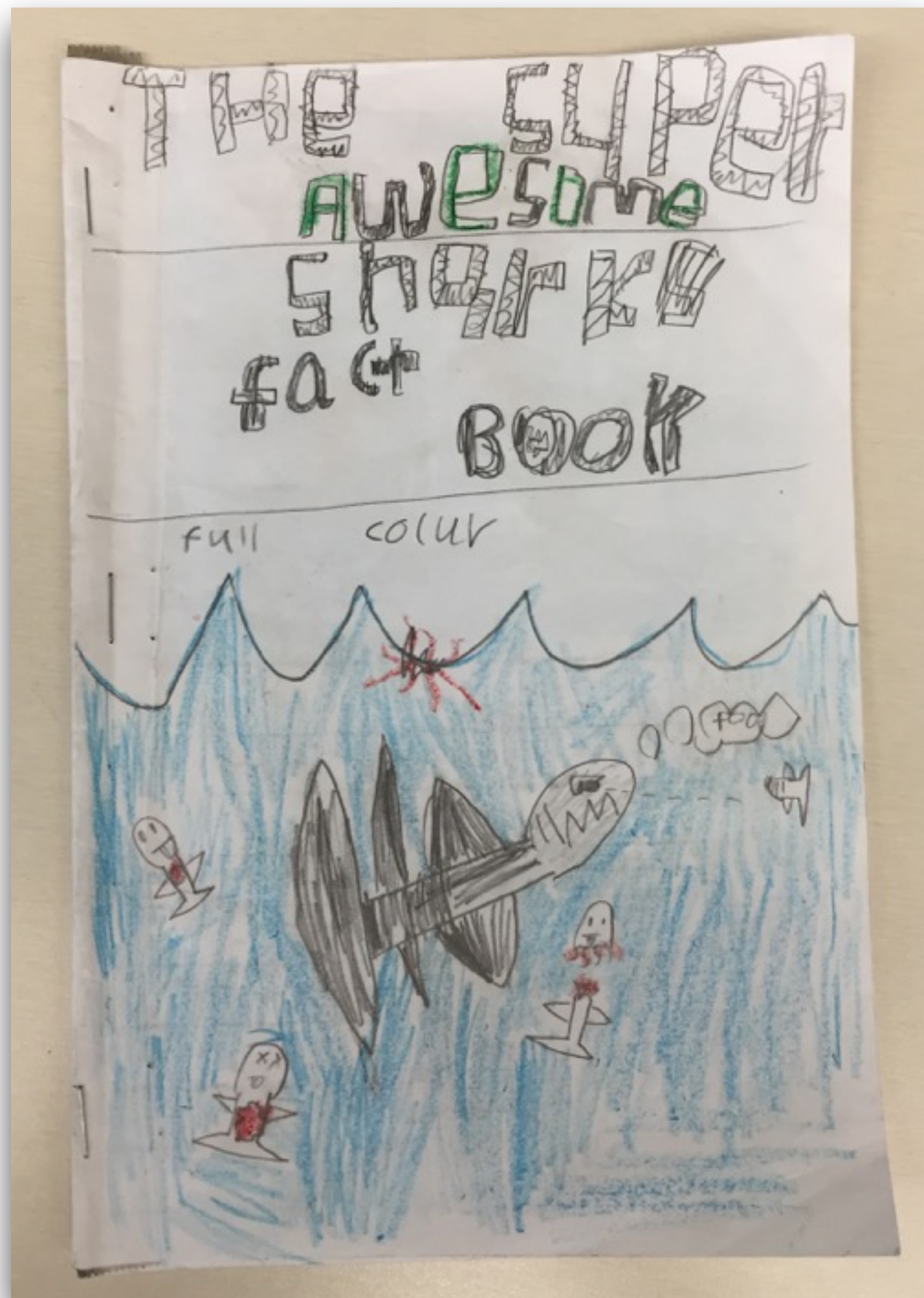
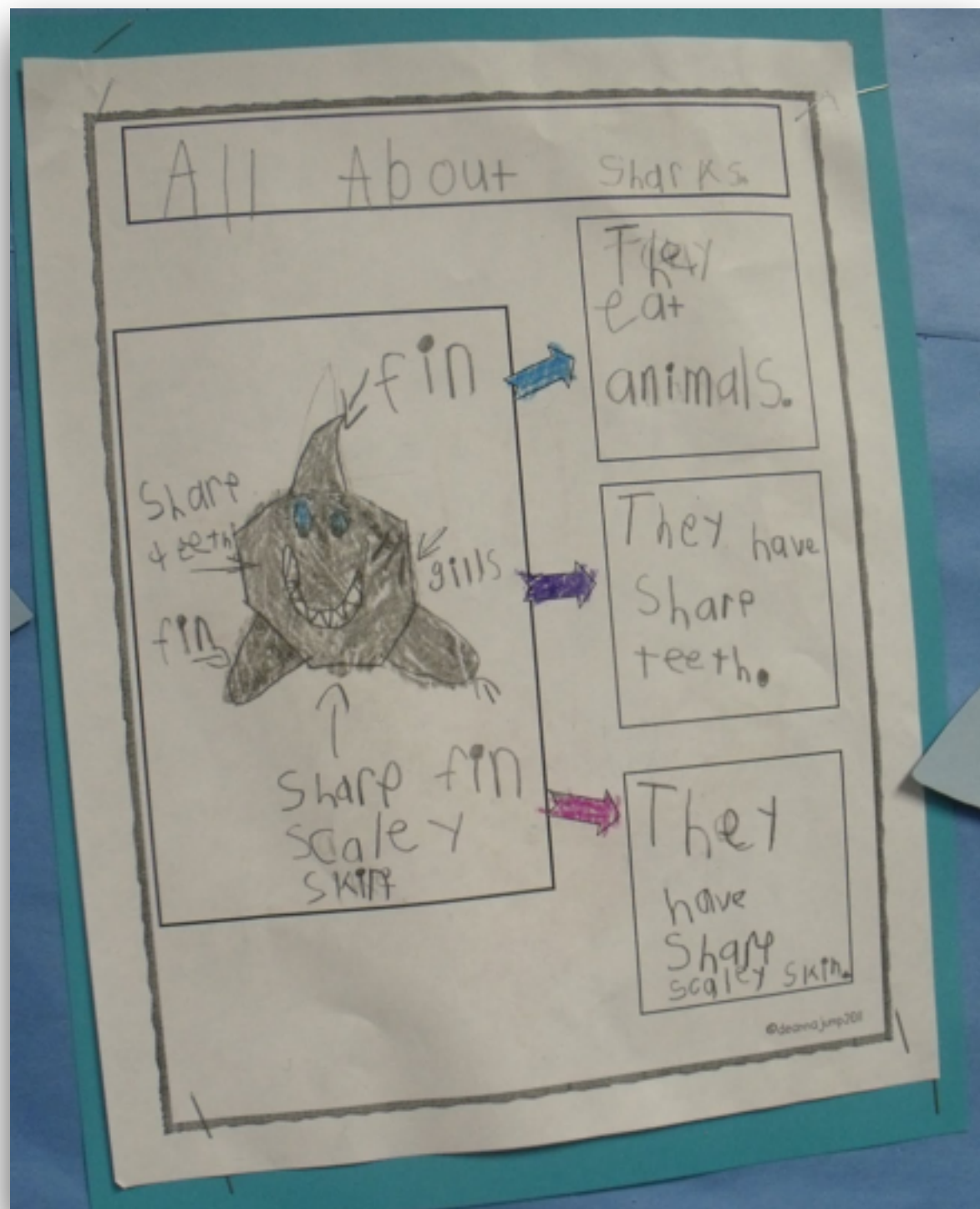
Dolphins protect themselves  
by \_\_\_\_\_.

TIME TO TALK



Rehearse non-fiction language







# “Why is the bee population declining?”

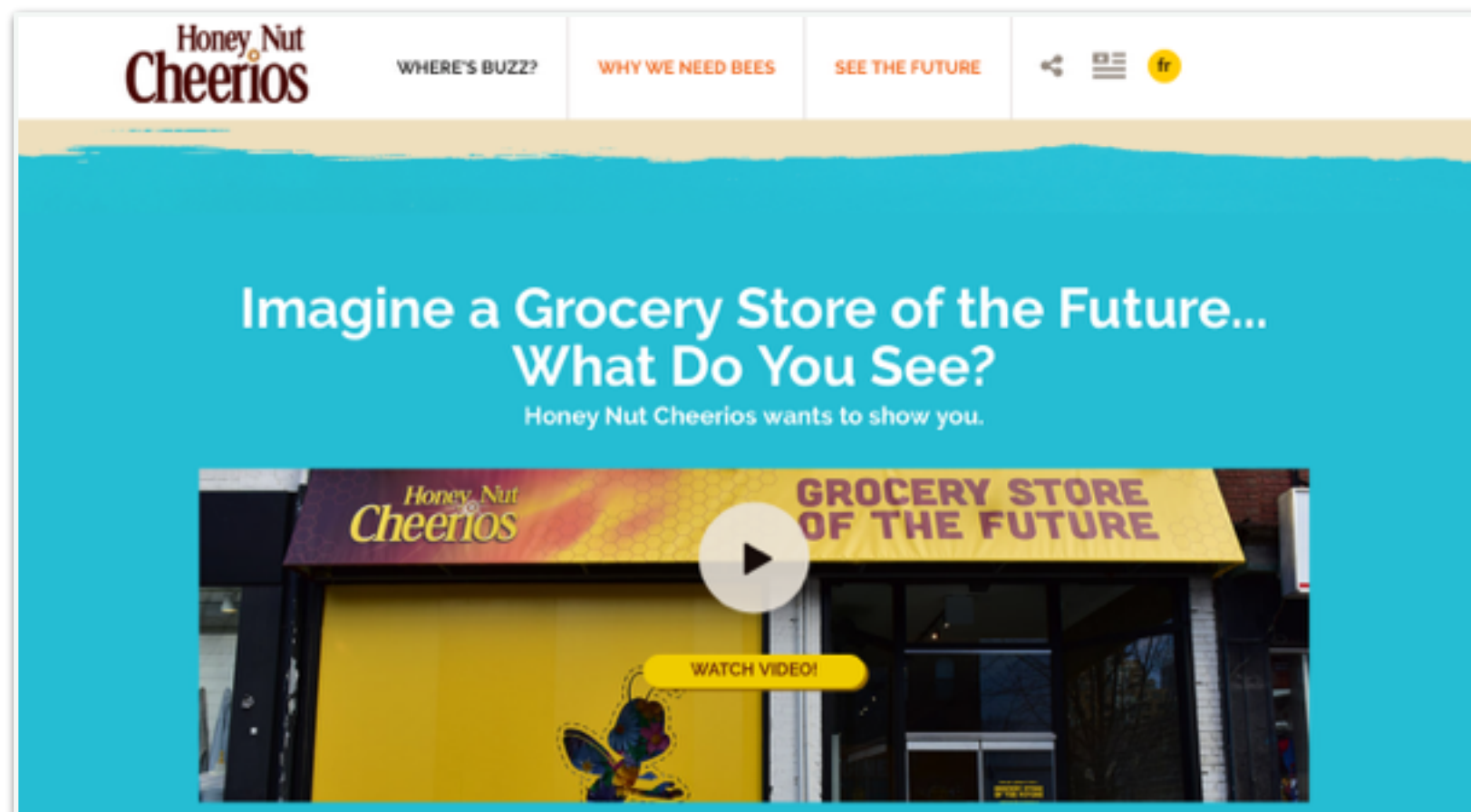
Research current news articles, websites, videos

Brainstorm ideas of how students can help

Create a way to communicate this message to other classes/community

Write letters to newspapers or make videos for school website

Make posters or plant a garden of wildflowers

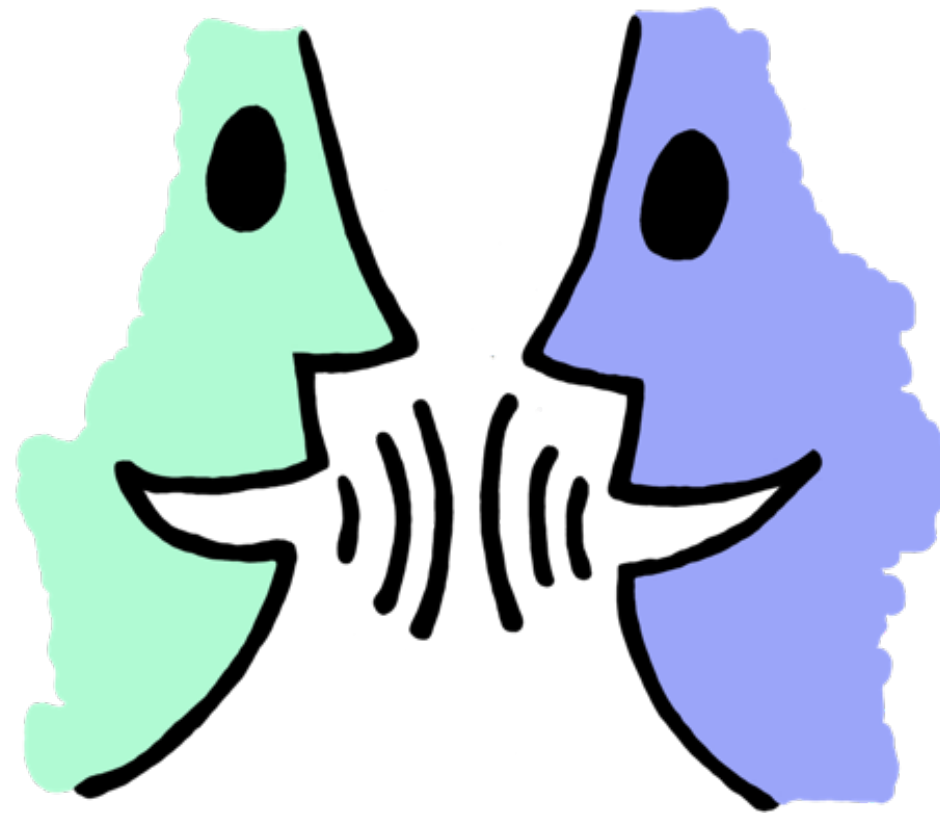


**Integrate science, math & social studies**

# Wordless picture book







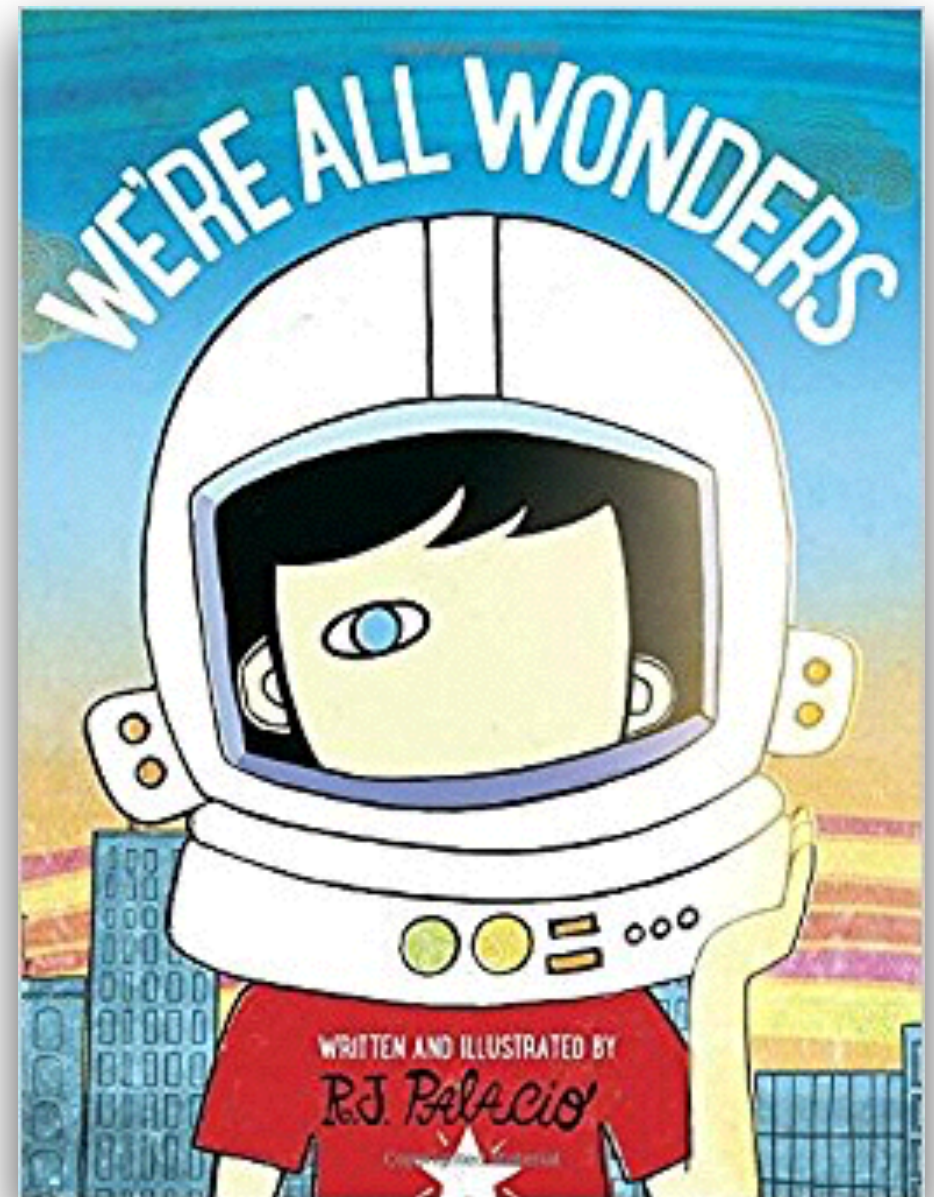
What are you connecting with?  
What ideas are surfacing? Please share them!  
How might you see yourself using these books?

# We're All Wonders

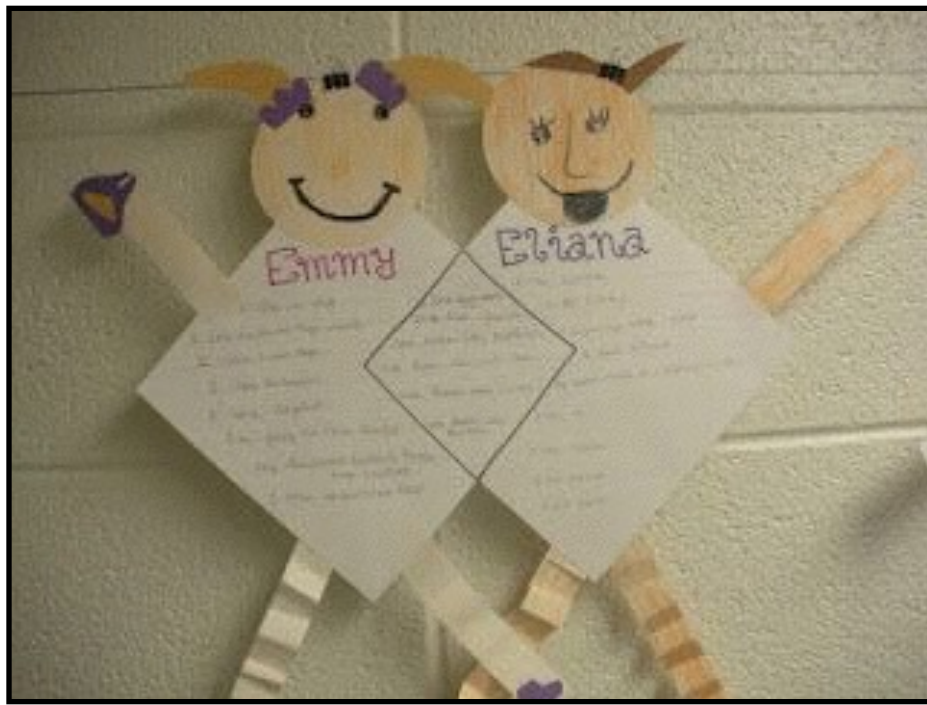
by RJ Palacio

A picture book extension of Palacio's middle-school novel "Wonder", starring Auggie, the ordinary boy born with an extraordinary face.

The picture book explores the same themes as the novel: kindness and tolerance to others, and recognizing unique qualities of each child.







Concrete items can be represented, compared, and interpreted pictorially in graphs.

# Numeracy Learning Intentions

I can collect data and create a concrete or pictorial graph.

I can describe and compare the information in graphs.

I can represent a concrete graph pictorially.

Thank you to Venessa Bentley and her Grade One class for engaging with this book!

<u>Share</u>	<u>Unique</u> ★
2 eyes	clothing
1 nose	eye colour
2 ears - same size	skin colour
1 mouth	hair colour
2 legs	pets
2 arms	nail colour
2 feet	artists
girls or boys	singers
coloured hair →	earring
	gymnastics
	swimmers
	different languages
	- Spanish
	- Chinese
	- French
	- Portuguese
	- English
	- Croatian
	- Japanese
	- figure skating
	- baseball

Unique means

Special

Different

Wonderful

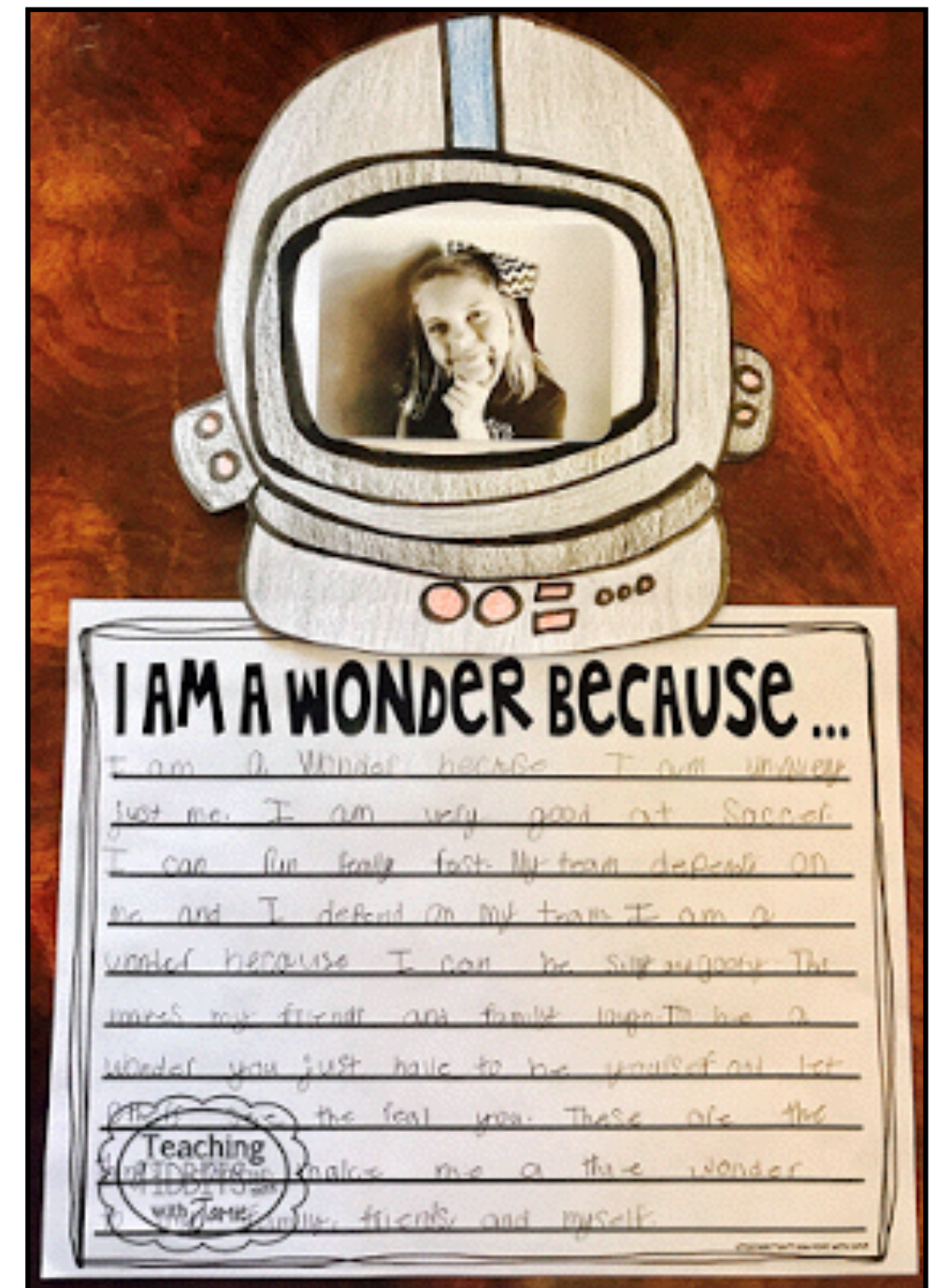
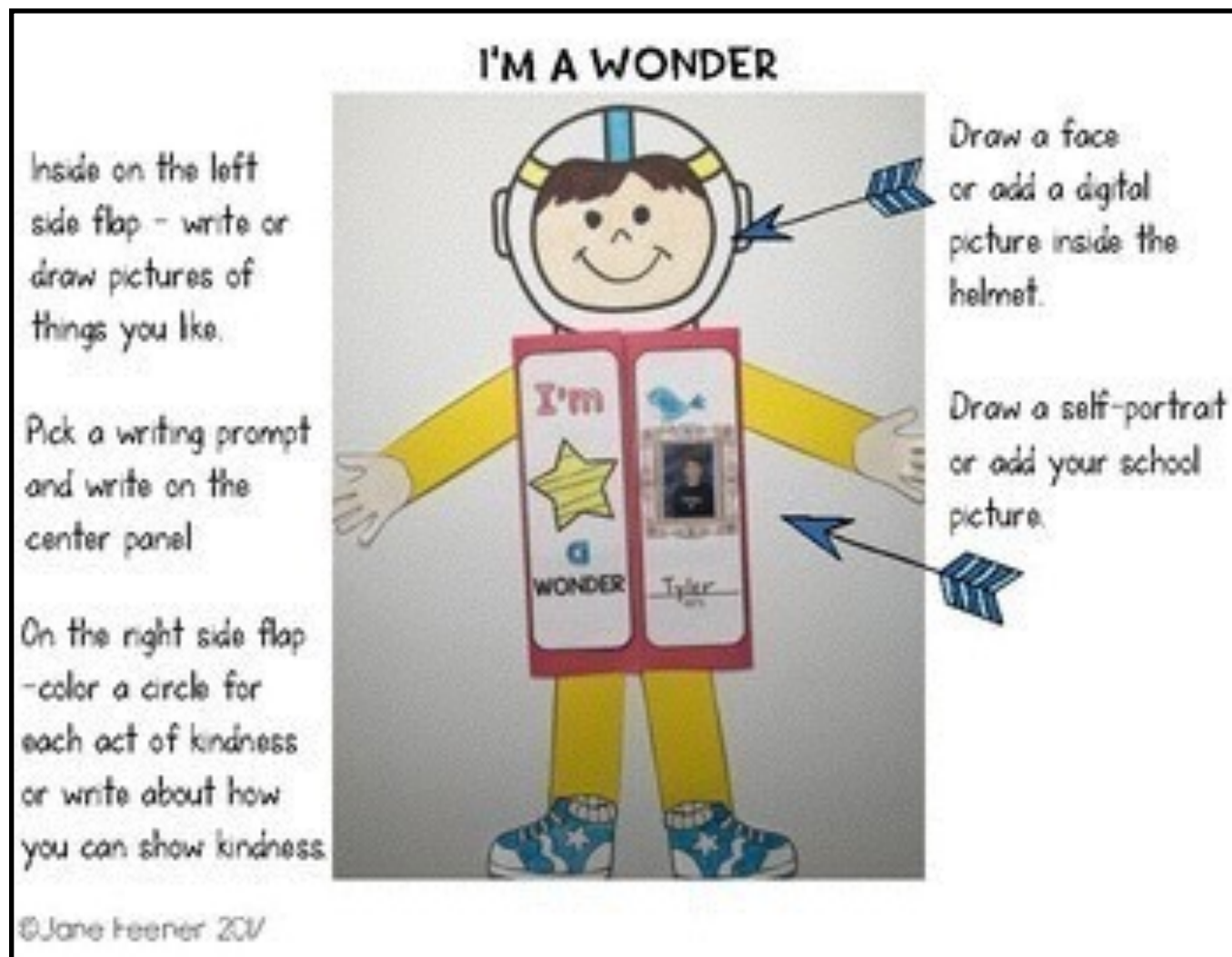
### **Community building:**

Find someone who shares \_\_\_\_\_ as you!

What do you and your group members have in common?

What makes you unique?





Numeracy + Literacy = Amazing!

After brainstorm all the attributes that could make someone unique, have the students write about why they are  
**WONDERFUL!**





What do we notice?

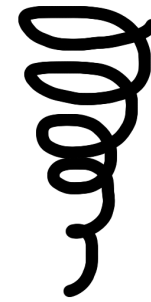
What do we wonder?

How do graphs help us make sense of the world?



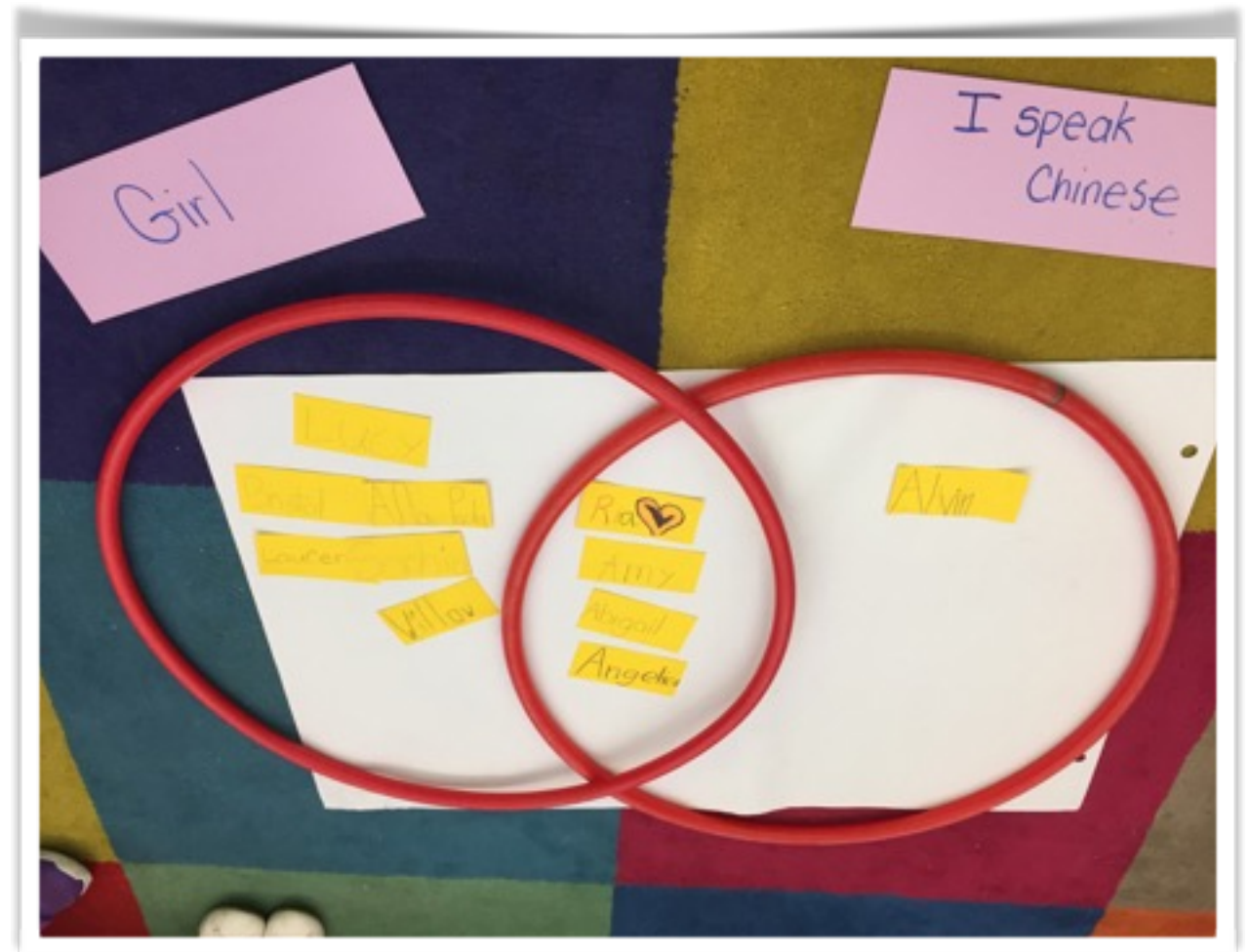
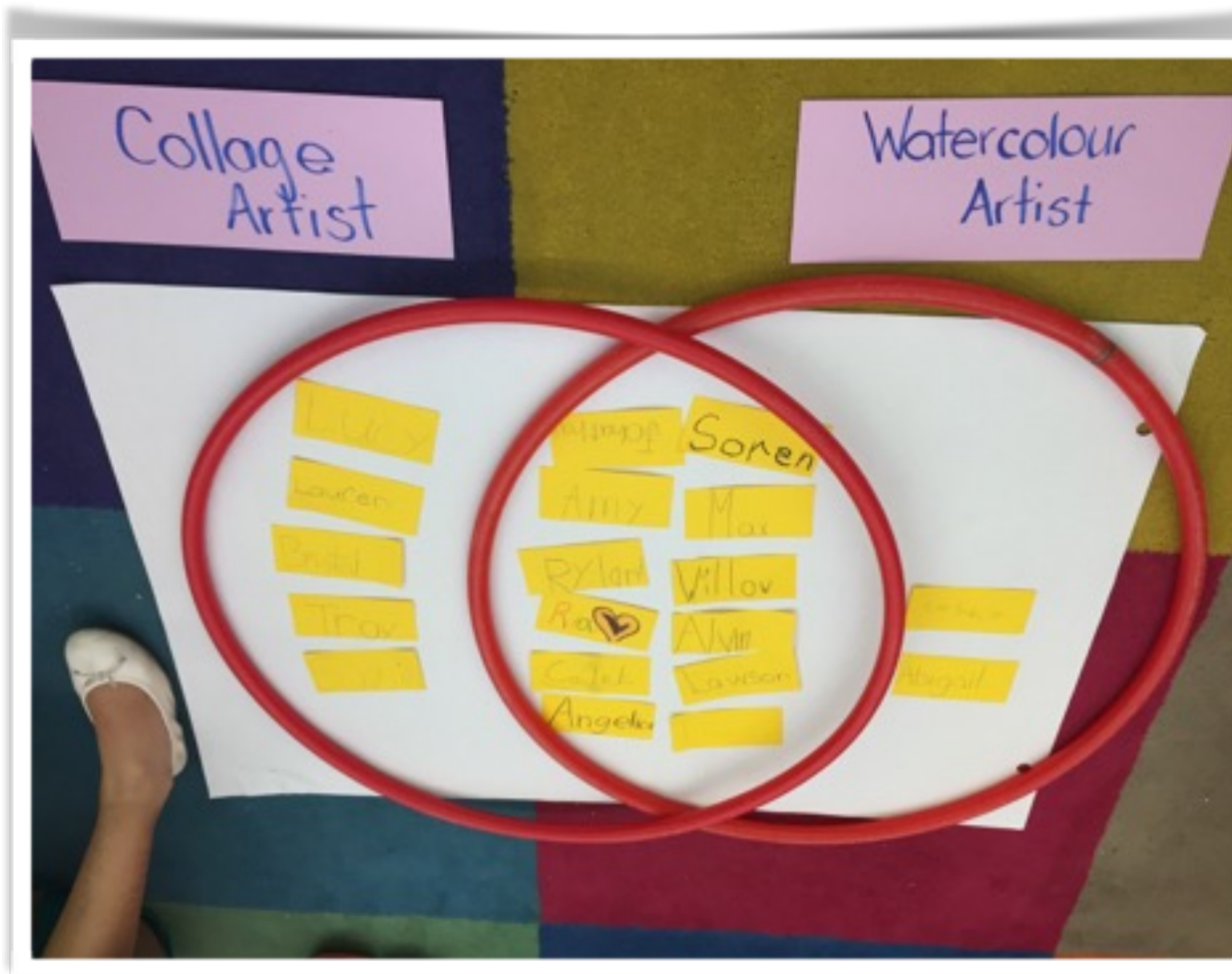


What do you notice?  
What do you wonder?



Are your students able to create, describe, and compare concrete and pictorial graphs?





How could you represent the type of artist you are?



Why do only two students see themselves as Watercolour artists?



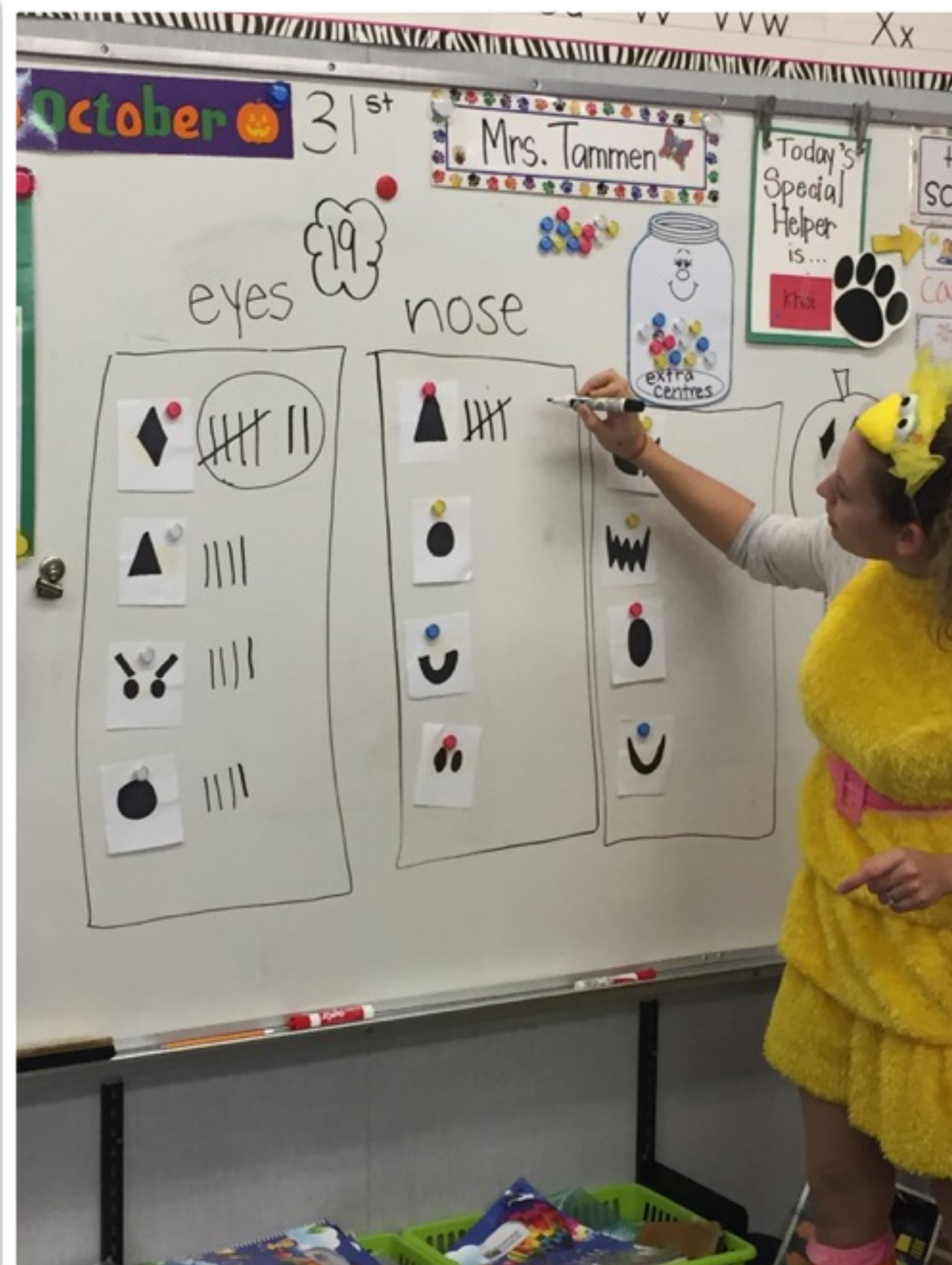
Tell a friend three things you notice and two questions you have.





Literacy + Math = Lots of Learning!



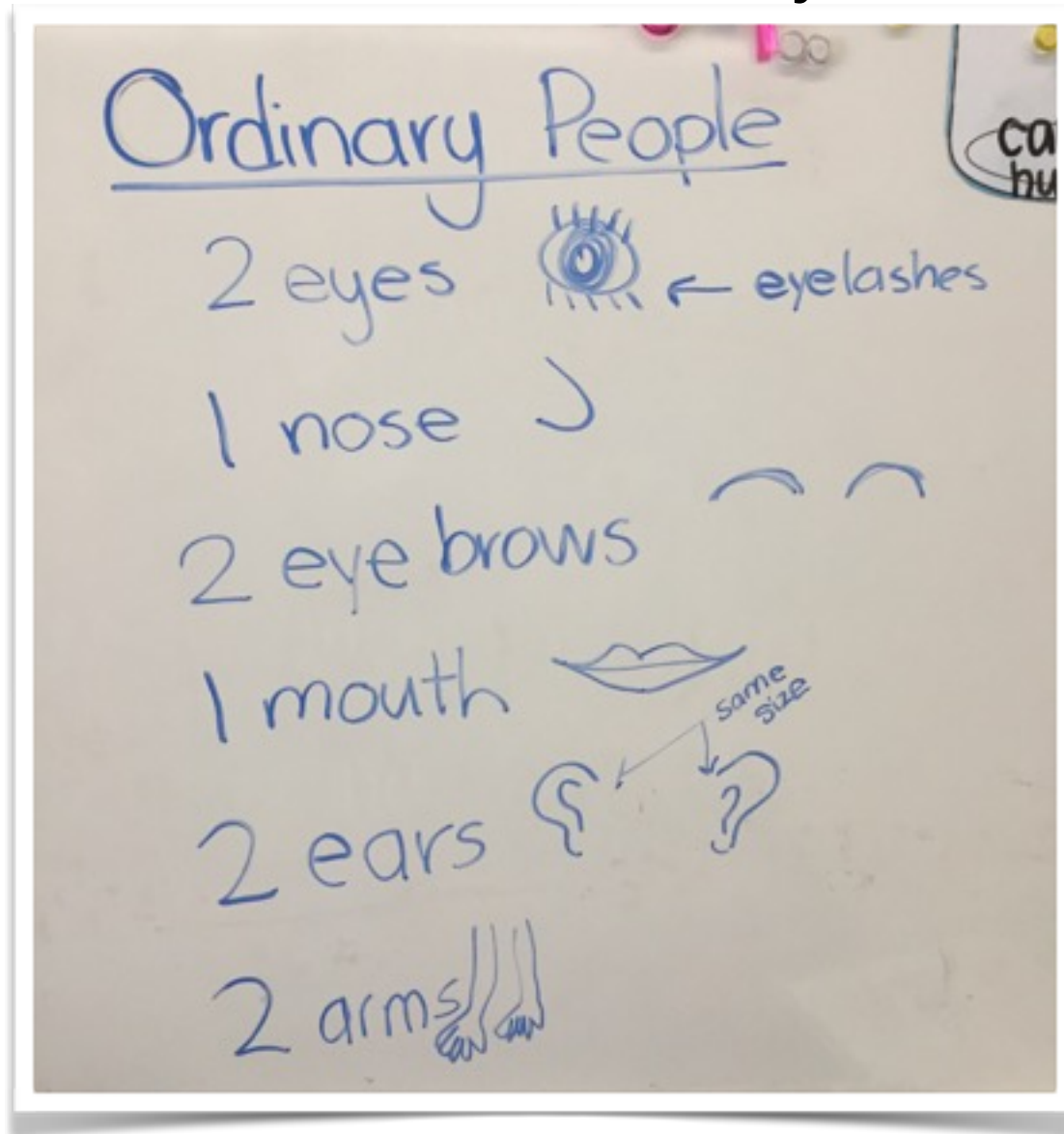


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Jenn Tammen, Grade Two  
Hjorth Road



Can you describe yourself mathematically?

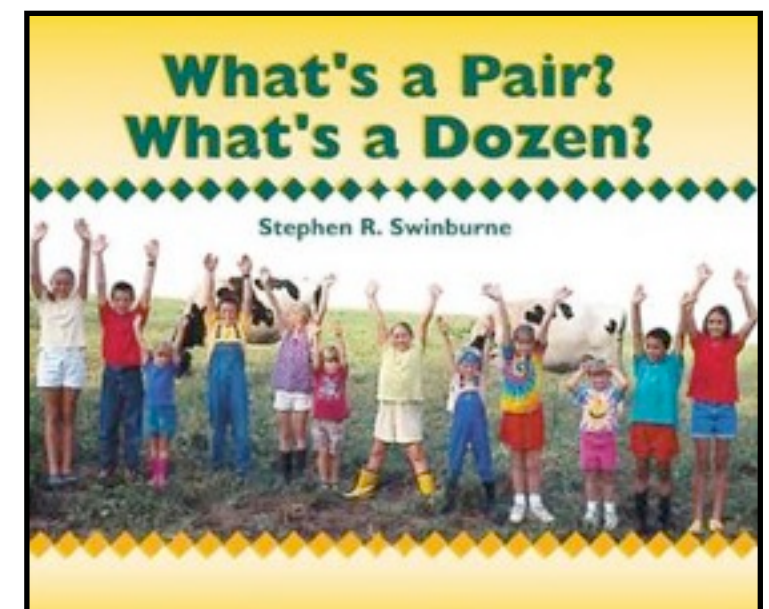


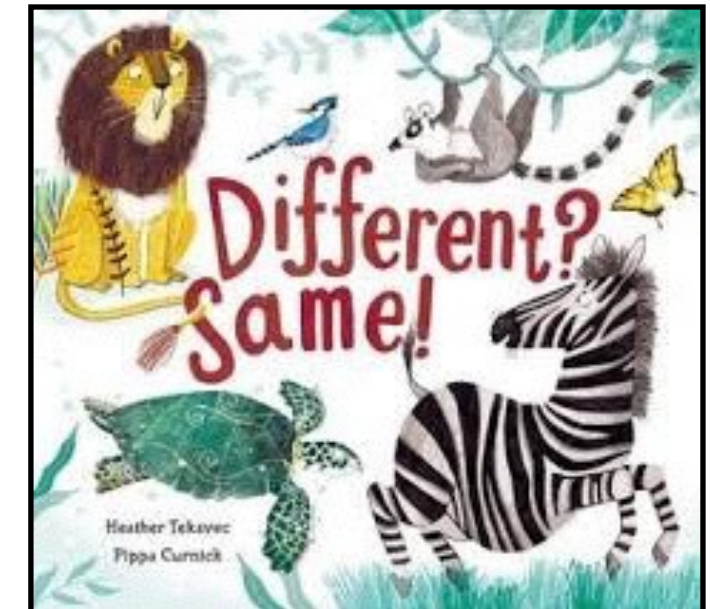
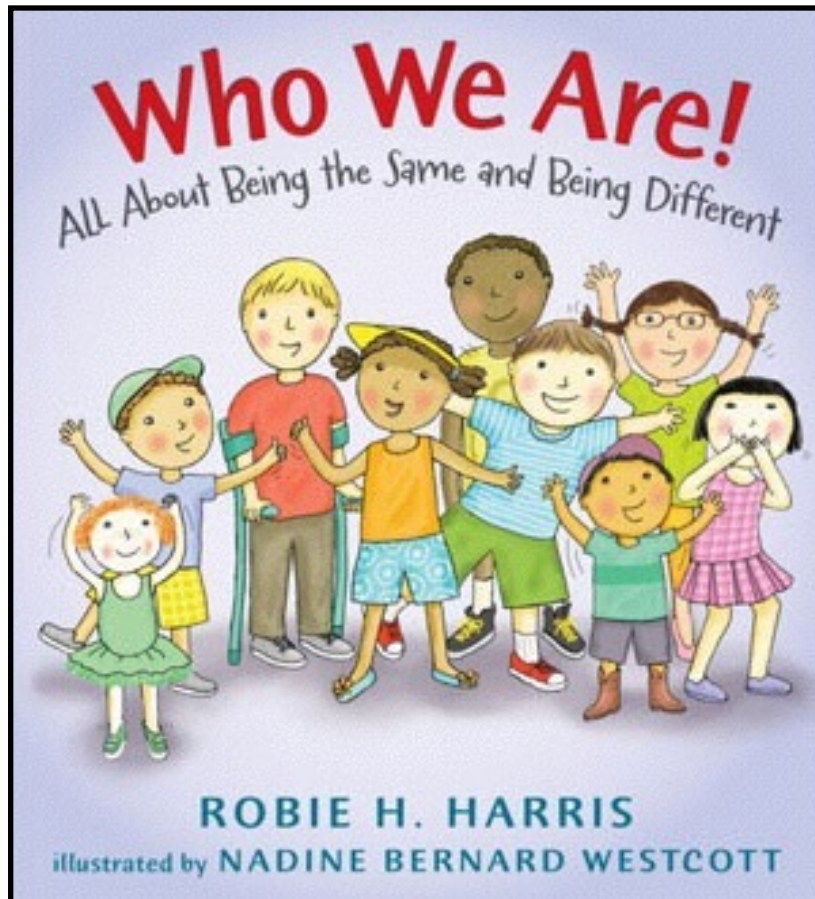
Every student is a  
**“Mathematics  
Language Learner”**

Does one always mean one?

When is one, two?

Do you have one pair of something?





## Numeracy Learning Intentions

I can identify and describe the attributes of others.

I can compare the attributes of others and explain these.

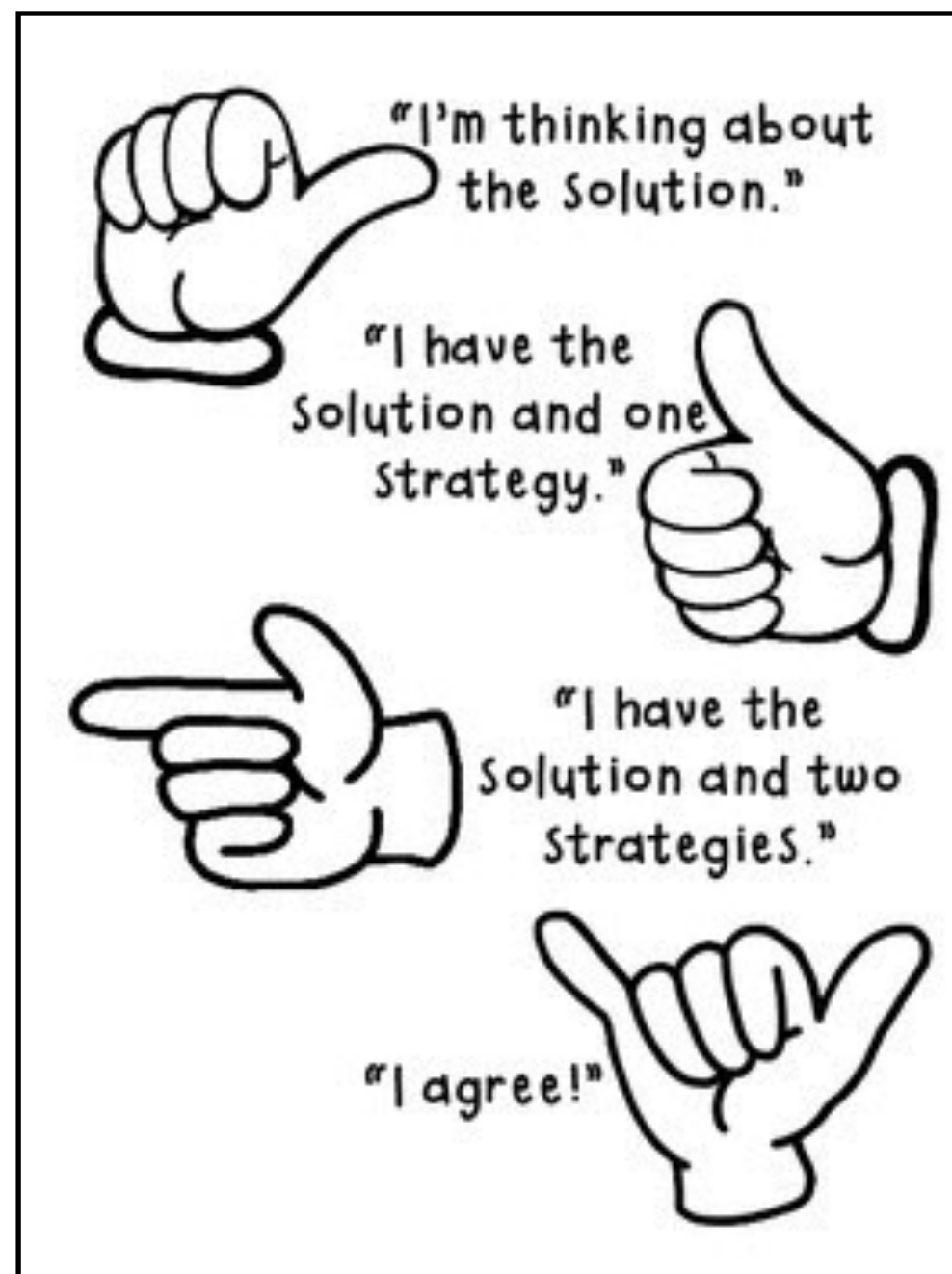
I can reason, conjecture, and justify why some attributes stand out from others and make them WONDERFUL!



# Which One Doesn't Belong?

- What do you notice?
- What makes all the the items alike?
- What makes them different?
- Which one doesn't belong?
- Can you share your reasoning to justify your answer?

# Which One Doesn't Belong?





# Which One Doesn't Belong?

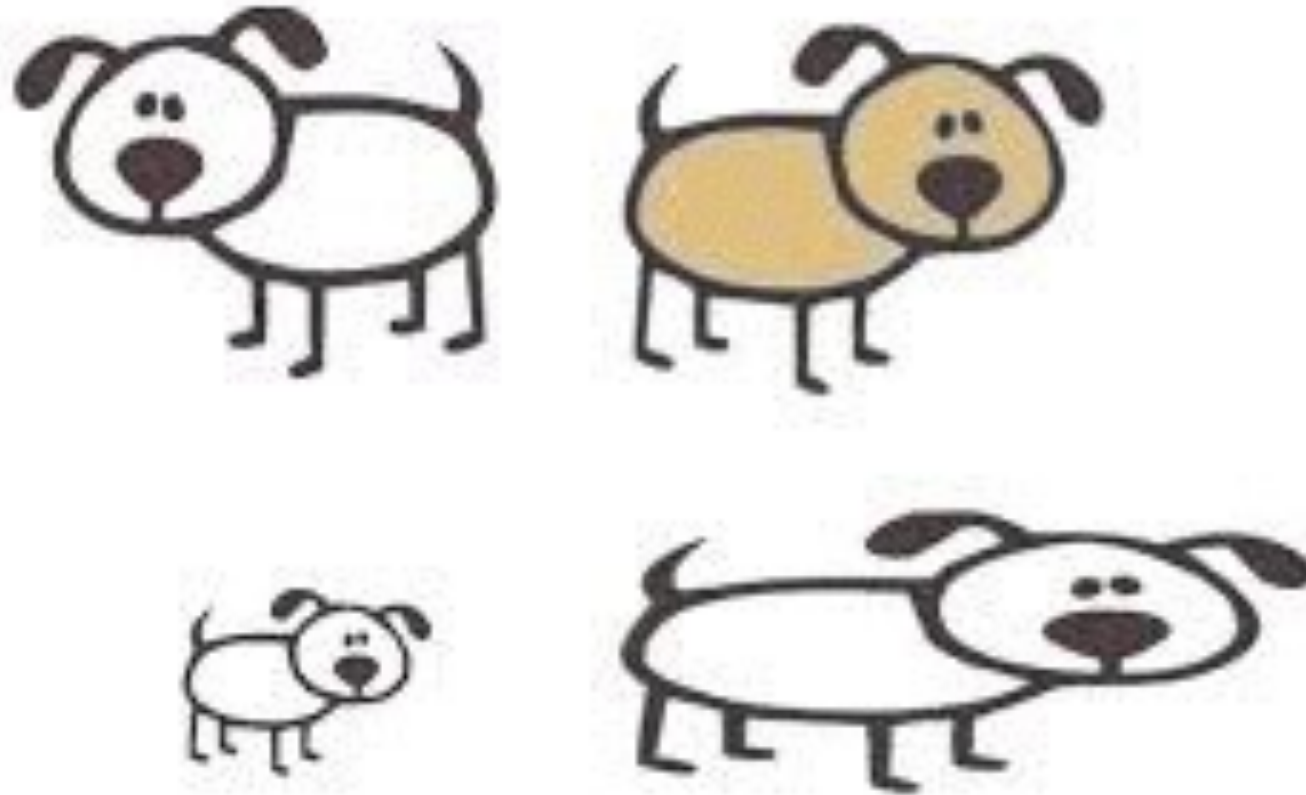
What could our learning intentions be?

I want my students to gain a **(KNOW)**ledge of:

- Attributes
- Mathematical language
- Spatial Awareness
- Number Sense

I want my students to be able to: **(DOING)**

- Reasoning
- Communicating conjectures
- Explain and Justify
- Engaging in Problem Solving



“Which one doesn’t belong?”

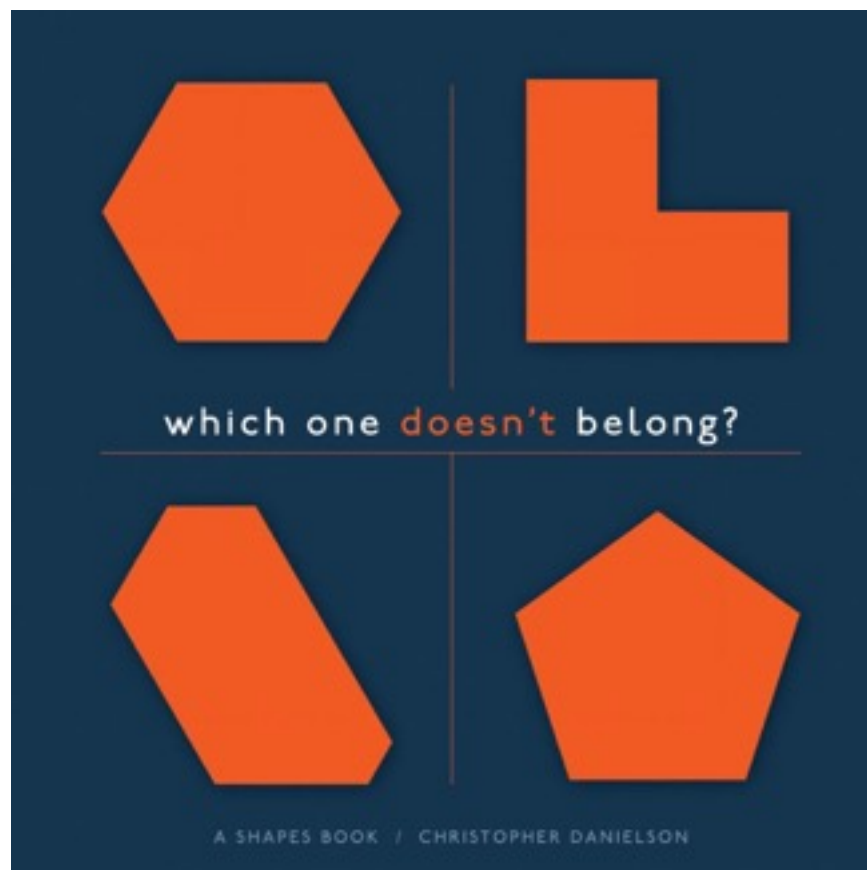
Can we foster both curricular competencies and mathematical understanding with WODB?

How is WODB inclusive?

How might we use WODB to engage students?



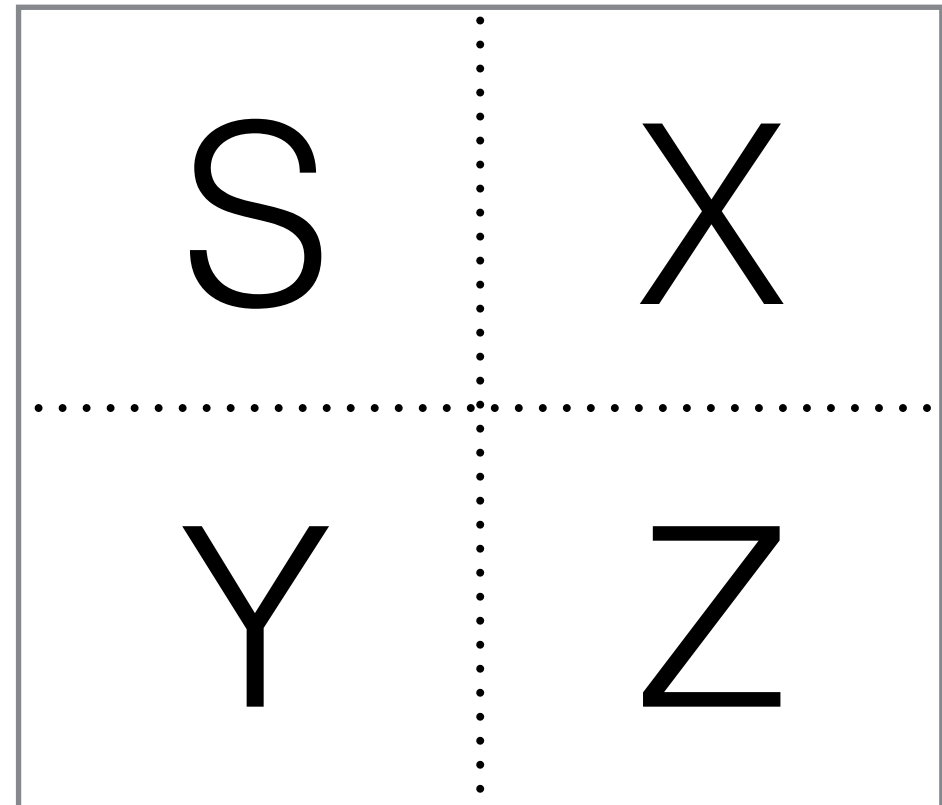
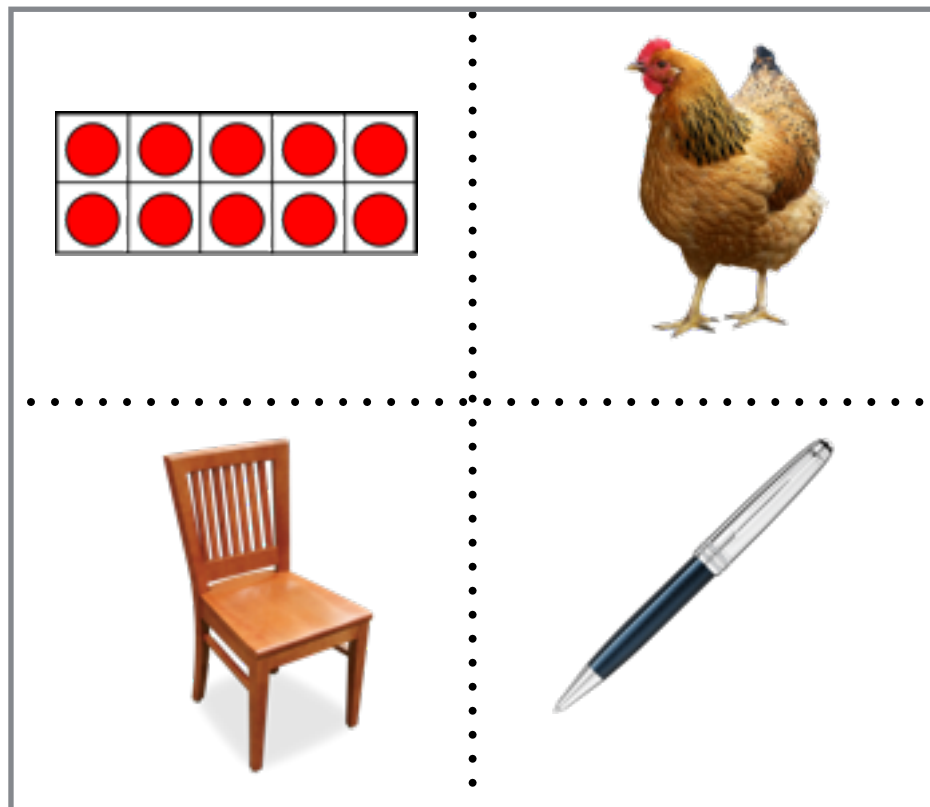
# Which One Doesn't Belong?



Christopher Danielson

[www.wodb.ca](http://www.wodb.ca)

# WODB



Literacy examples:  
Rhyme - Syllables - Categories - Letters - Words



# “What WONDERS do you see?”



Handmade by Vienna - <http://ccbypetites.weebly.com/>





Grade Ones at Hjorth Elementary School



“What WONDERS do you see?”





## Literacy Learning Intentions

I can think critically and creatively to describe similarities/differences and describe them orally or through writing.

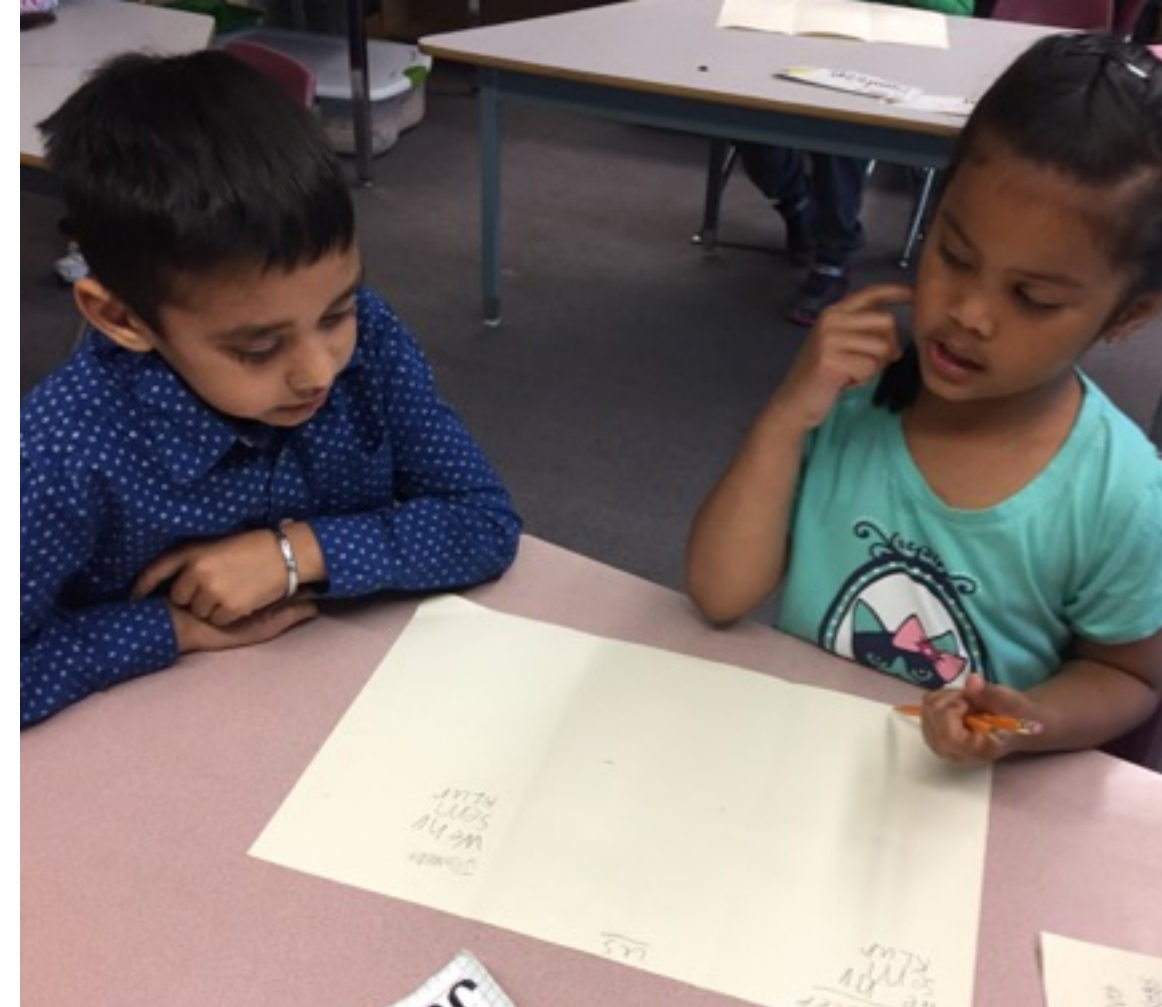
I understand that my personal story is unique and can be shared.

I can express my identity through pictures and/or words (narrative texts either written or digital).



“How are you the same?  
How are you unique?”

Through talk, drawing or writing





# Identity is a huge part of the learning process!

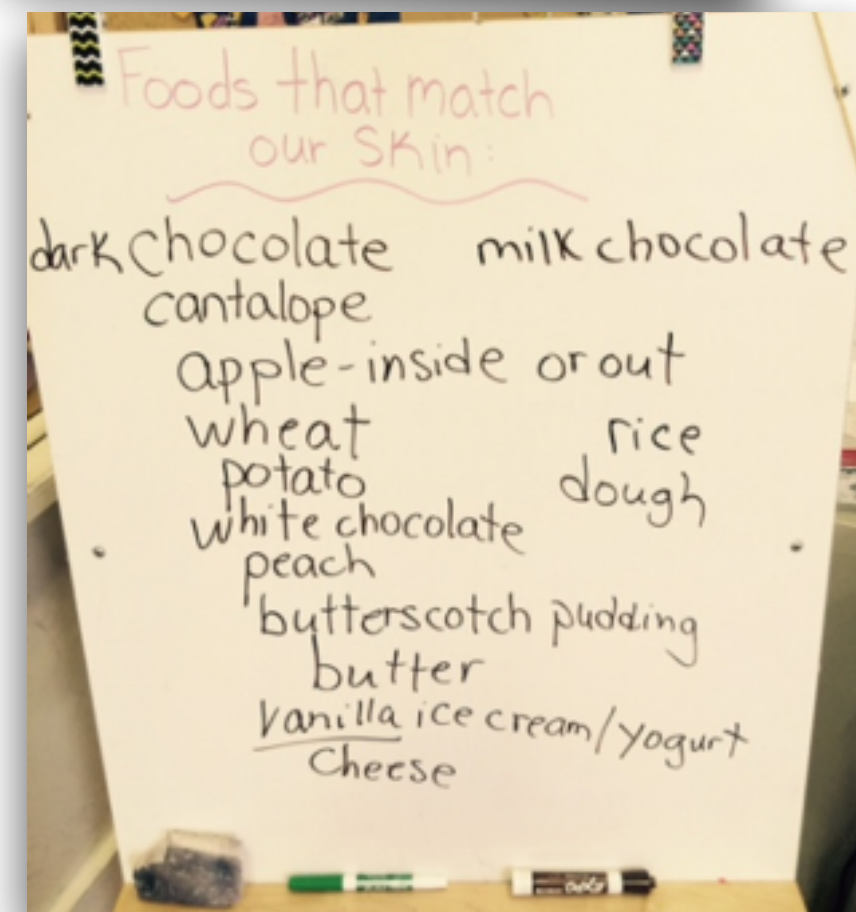
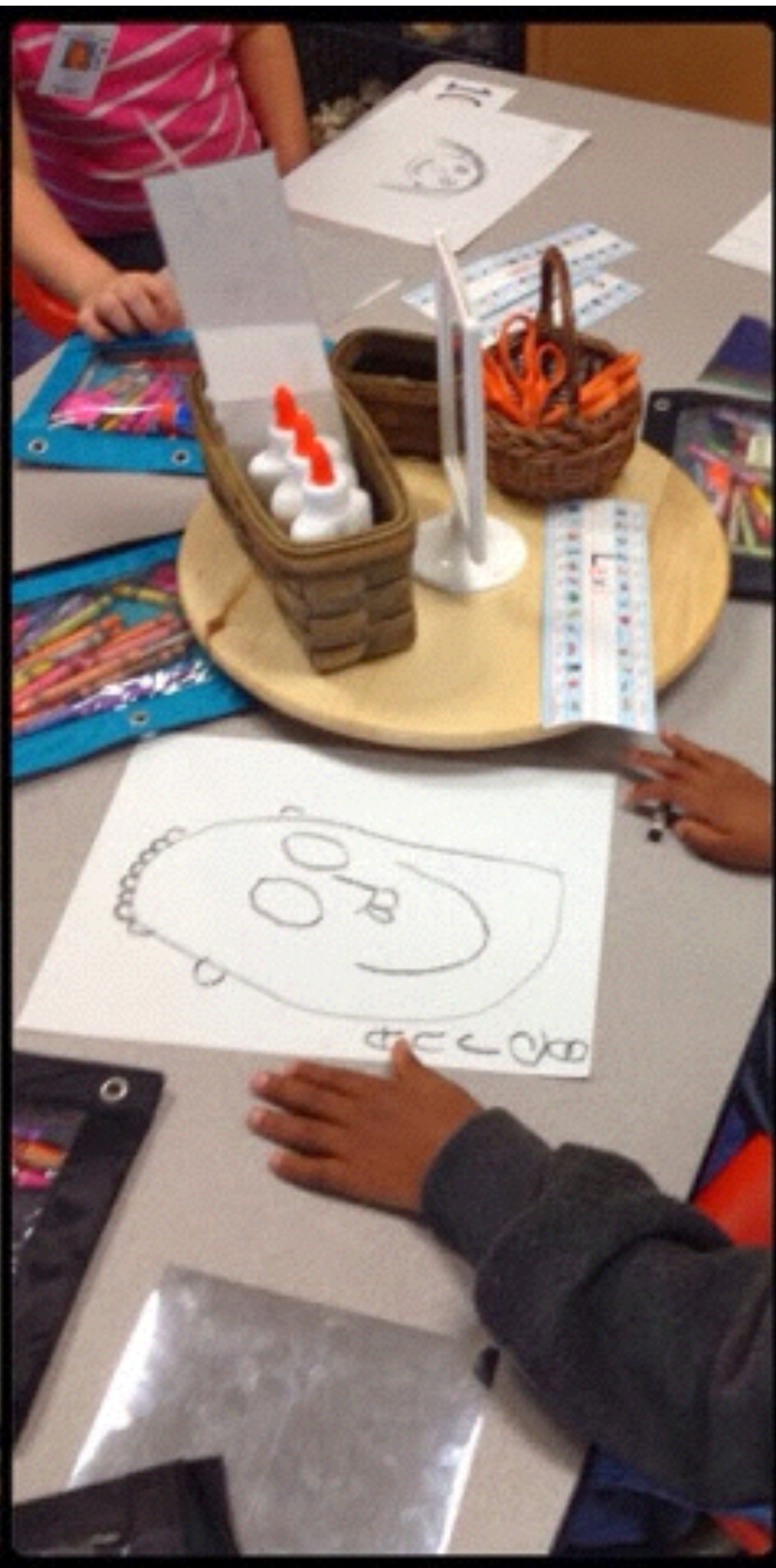
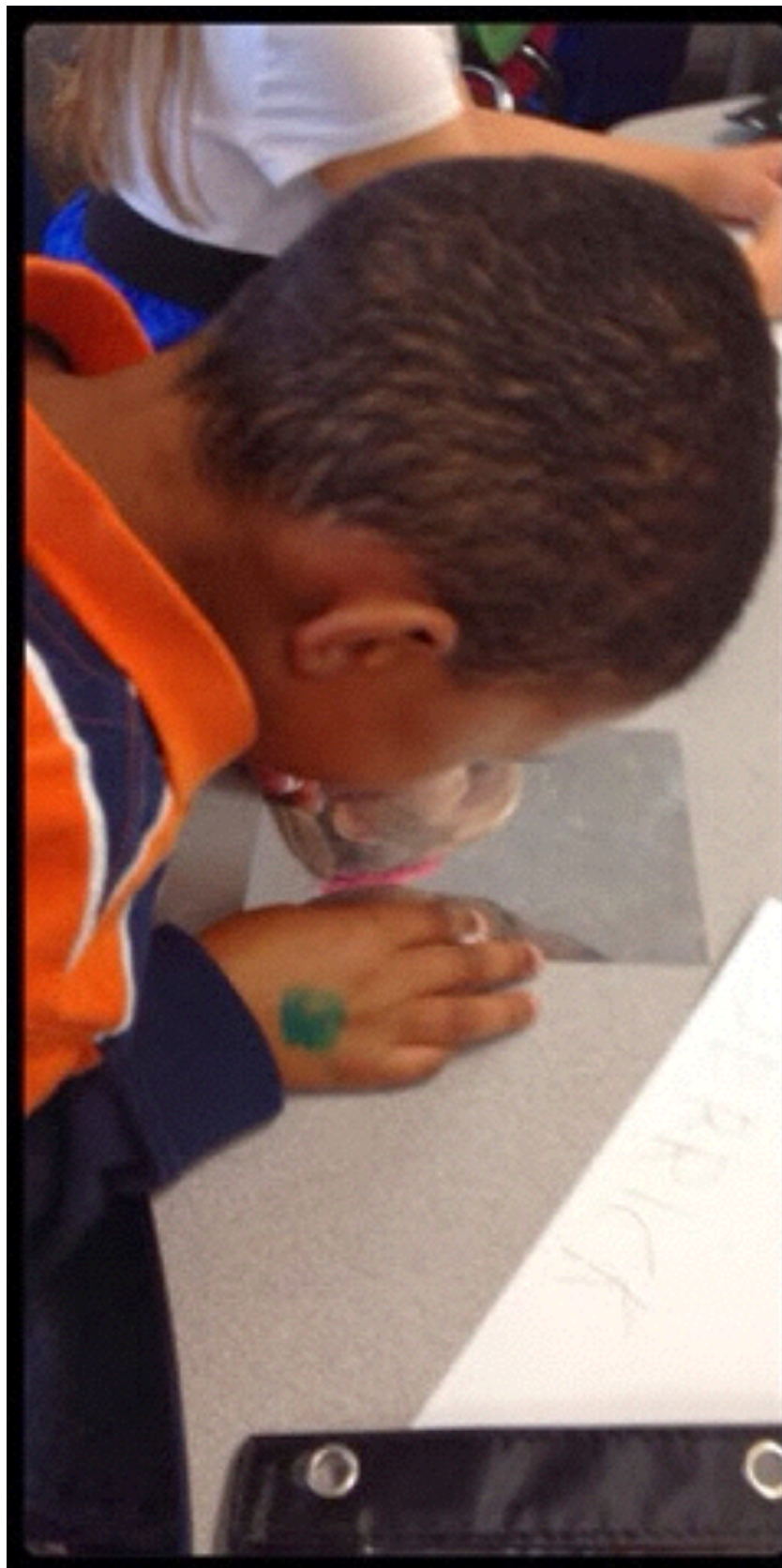
*Knowing your gifts are valued, your culture and language are valued*

PS

- Relates to **motivation**: everyone can contribute prior knowledge about themselves, their experiences, their family
- Create a community through sharing experiences and learning about each other
- Hearing each others' stories encourages students to exercise tolerance, kindness and respect for each others' "wonders" throughout the year.









We all have different goals!

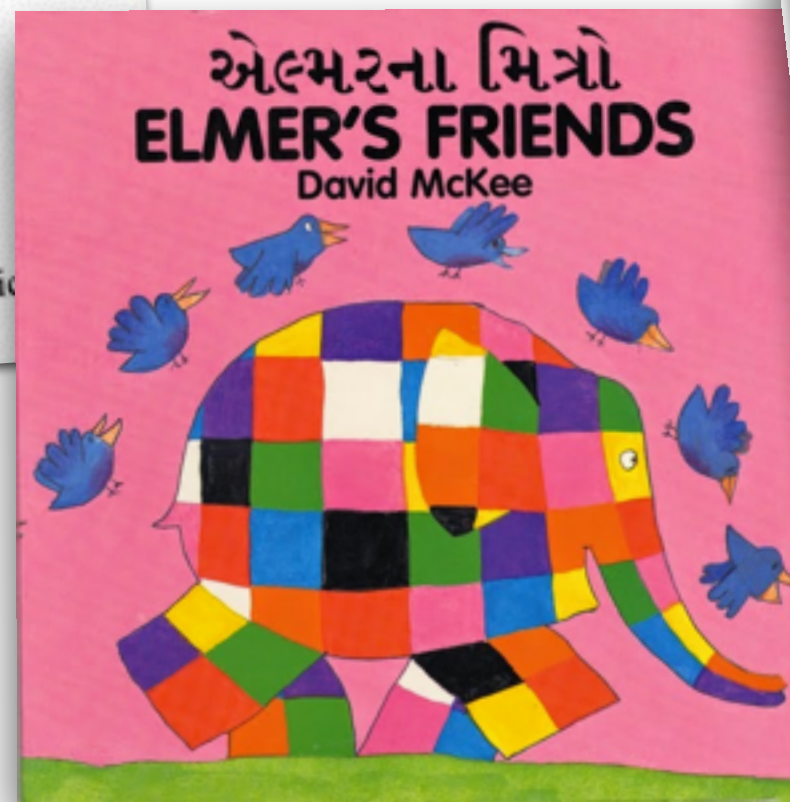
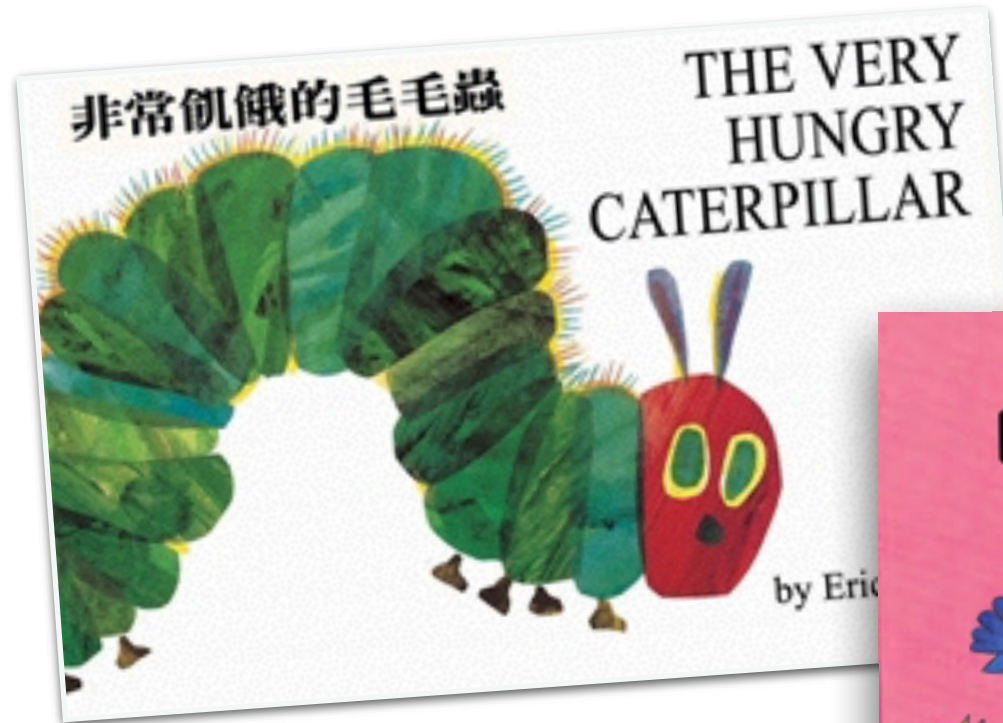








# Dual Language books



“Promoting literacy development in the [ELL] student's first language will facilitate the acquisition of literacy in English. Accessing prior knowledge through the use of their first language provides the framework for new learning.”

Thornwood Public School - Dual Languages Project -



[thiskindylife.blogspot.ca](http://thiskindylife.blogspot.ca)

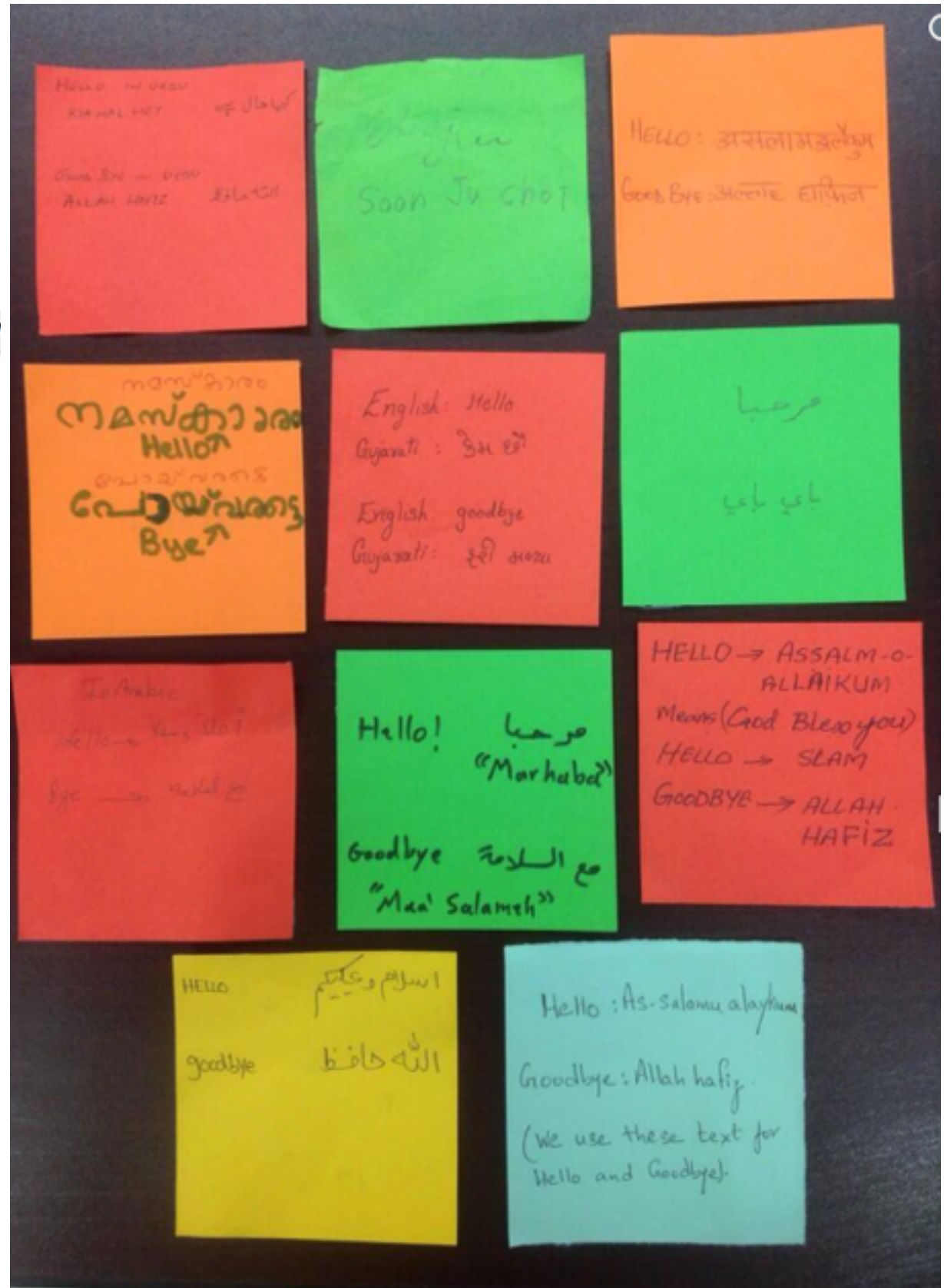
It started at welcome circle, when we were talking. C taught us how to say "Hi!" and "Goodbye" in Vietnamese. We got an idea.



We decided to make a book about all the ways we say "Hello" and "Goodbye" in our class. But we don't know how to write it in all our languages. That's where you come in, families.

HEJI  
To all Kindergarten families of Ms. Fynes classes: this note is coming home today.

Today your child will bring home a colourful square. Please write "Hello" & "Goodbye" in the language you speak with your family, and send back to school. Some may have more languages! Please ask for more paper if you need. :)





# “How do you say hello?” Class Digital Book

Authentic audience: families viewed online

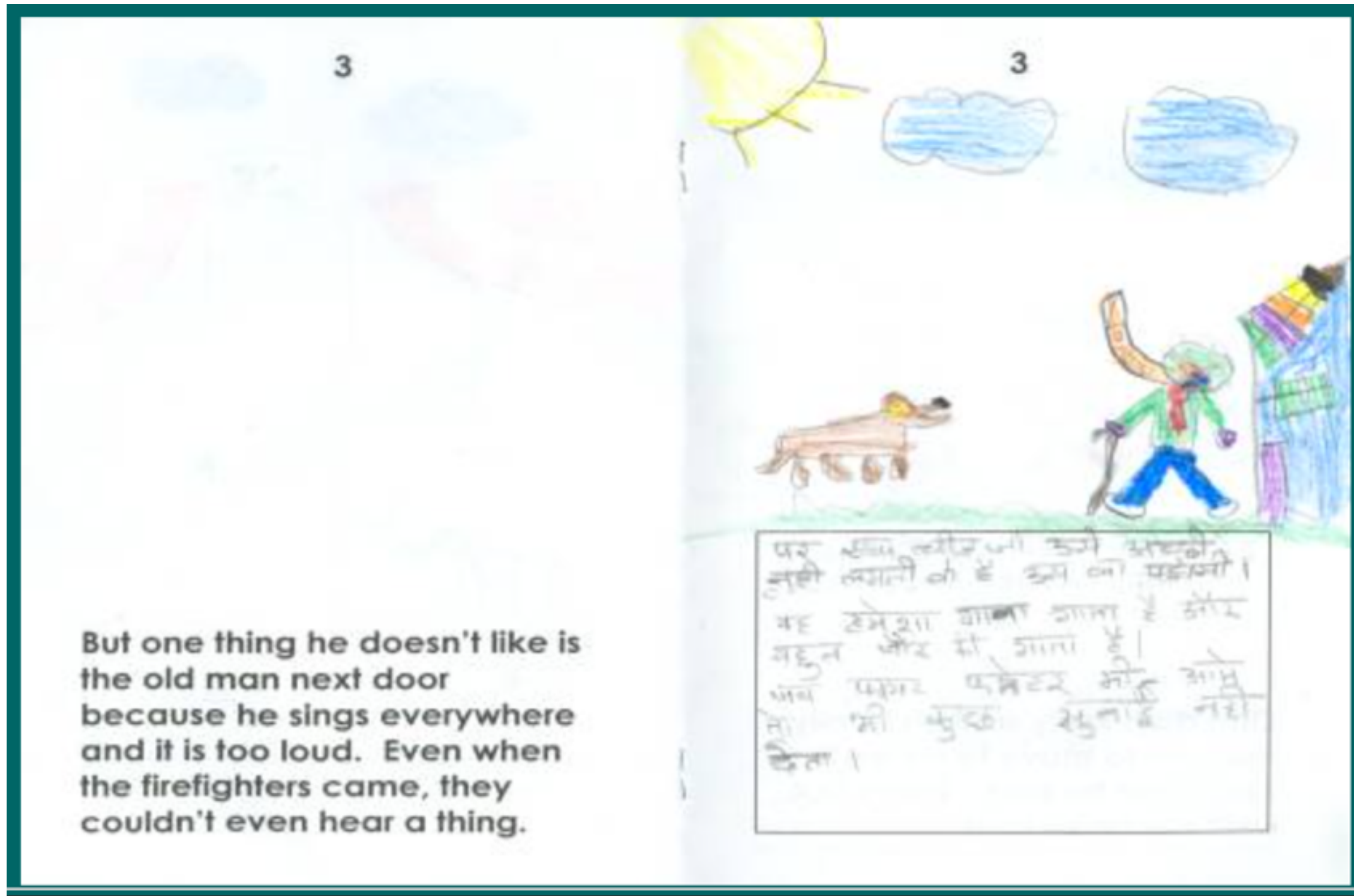


*How could you create a multilingual numeracy book?*



# Opportunities for everyone to share their identity stories

*Students who are becoming bilingual is an asset!*



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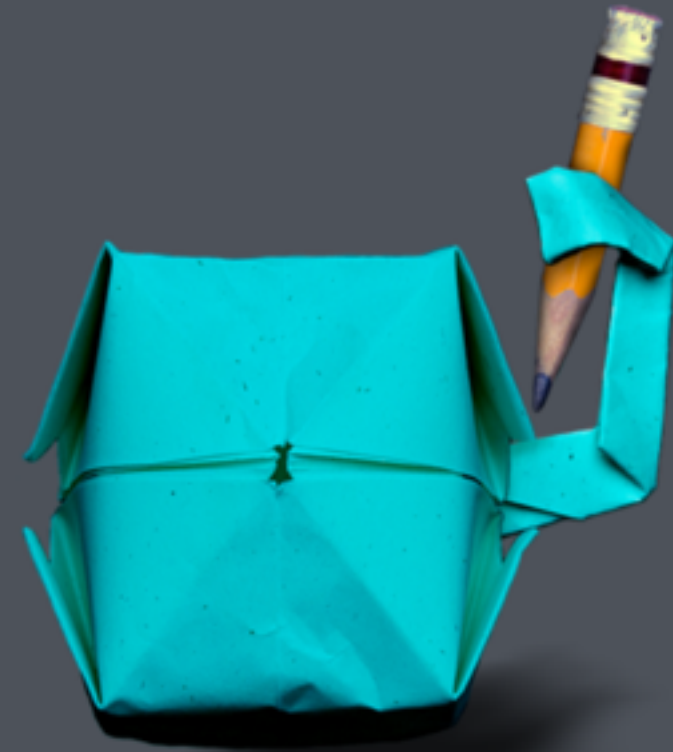


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LITERACY SOLUTIONS



English | Français

ScribJab is a multilingual tool to create and share  
digital stories in 2 different languages.

ScribJab est un outil multilingue pour créer et partager  
des histoires numériques dans 2 langues différentes.



read  
to me

like



comments



flag book



English

Pink heart is very nice to every one. She loves art and every body called her Pinky Winky.



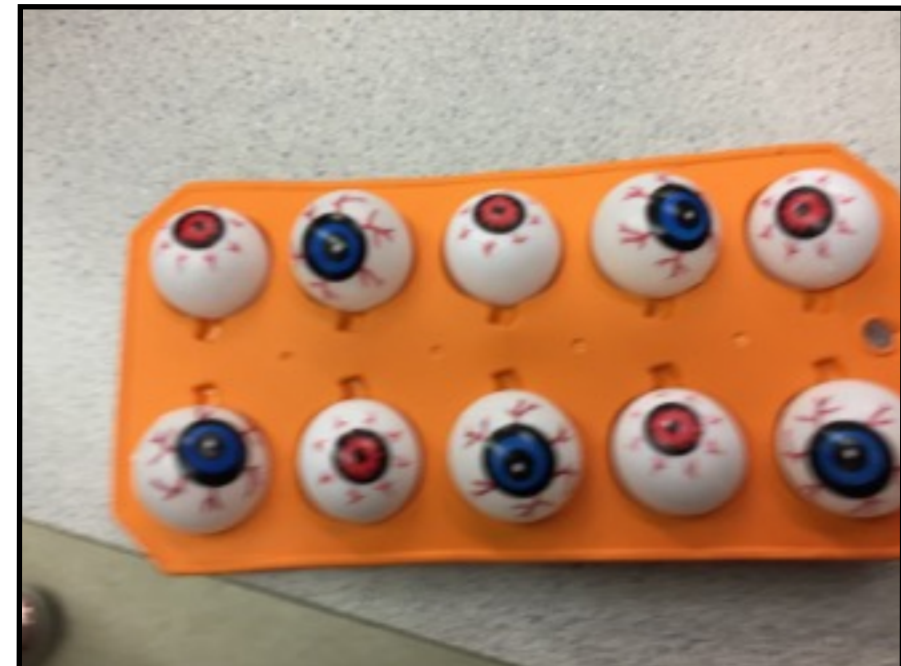
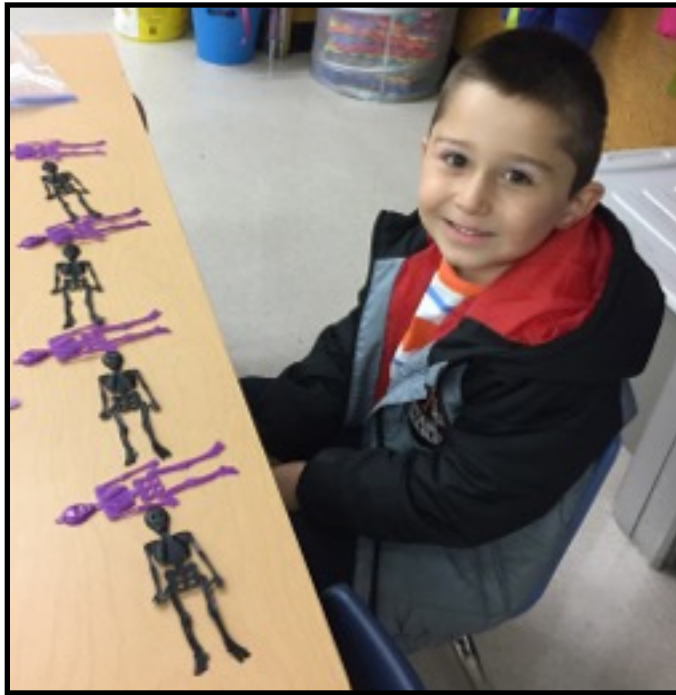
Hindi

गुलाबी दिल सबके साथ अच्छे है। उसको कला पसन्द है और सब उसको पिंकी विंकी बुलते है ।

# Booktalk!

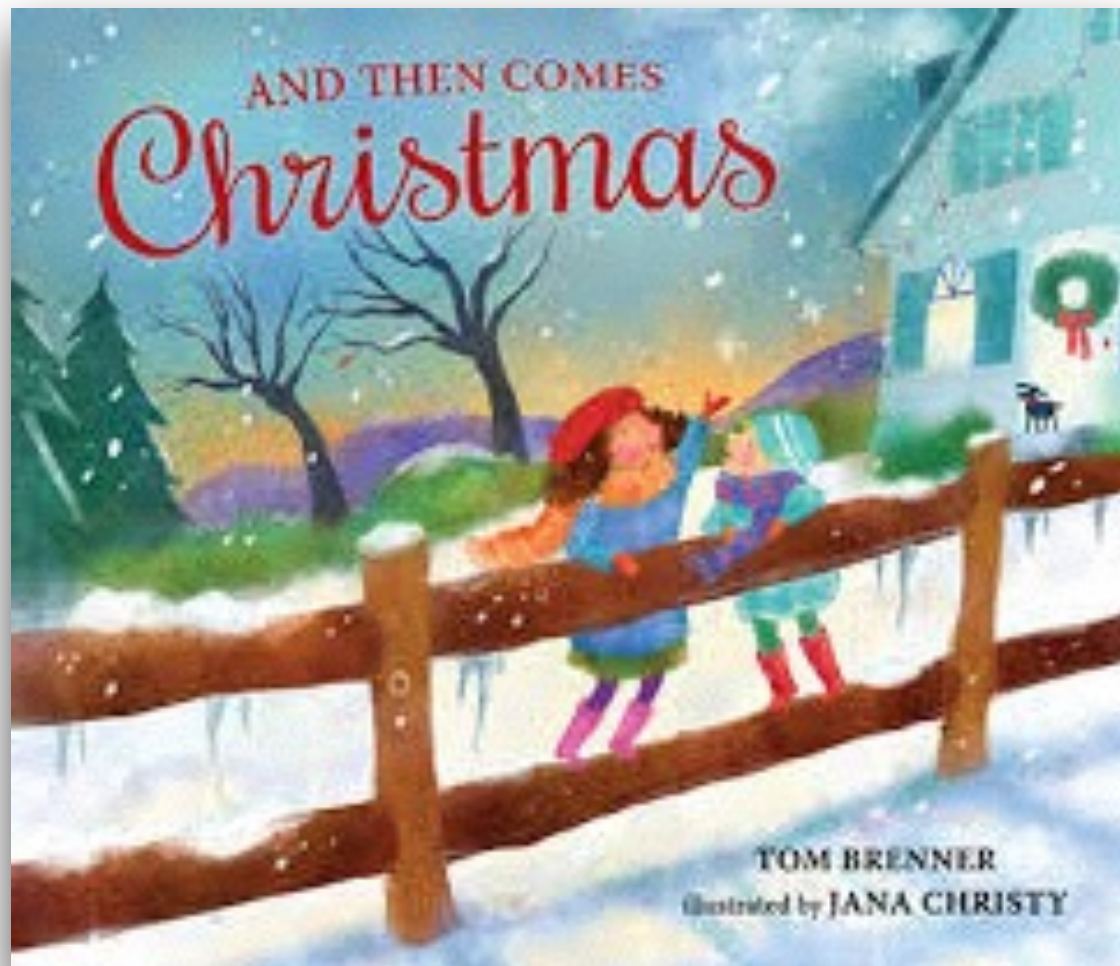






“Can you create patterns similar to the one in the story?” “Can you write a story with a similar pattern?”





As your students move ahead in their learning... how might you use a similar story to extend their learning?





BREAK  
**TIME**

# Play time

STORY WORKSHOP:

Can you tell a story with the materials on your table?



What learning intentions come to mind for  
Literacy and/or Numeracy?

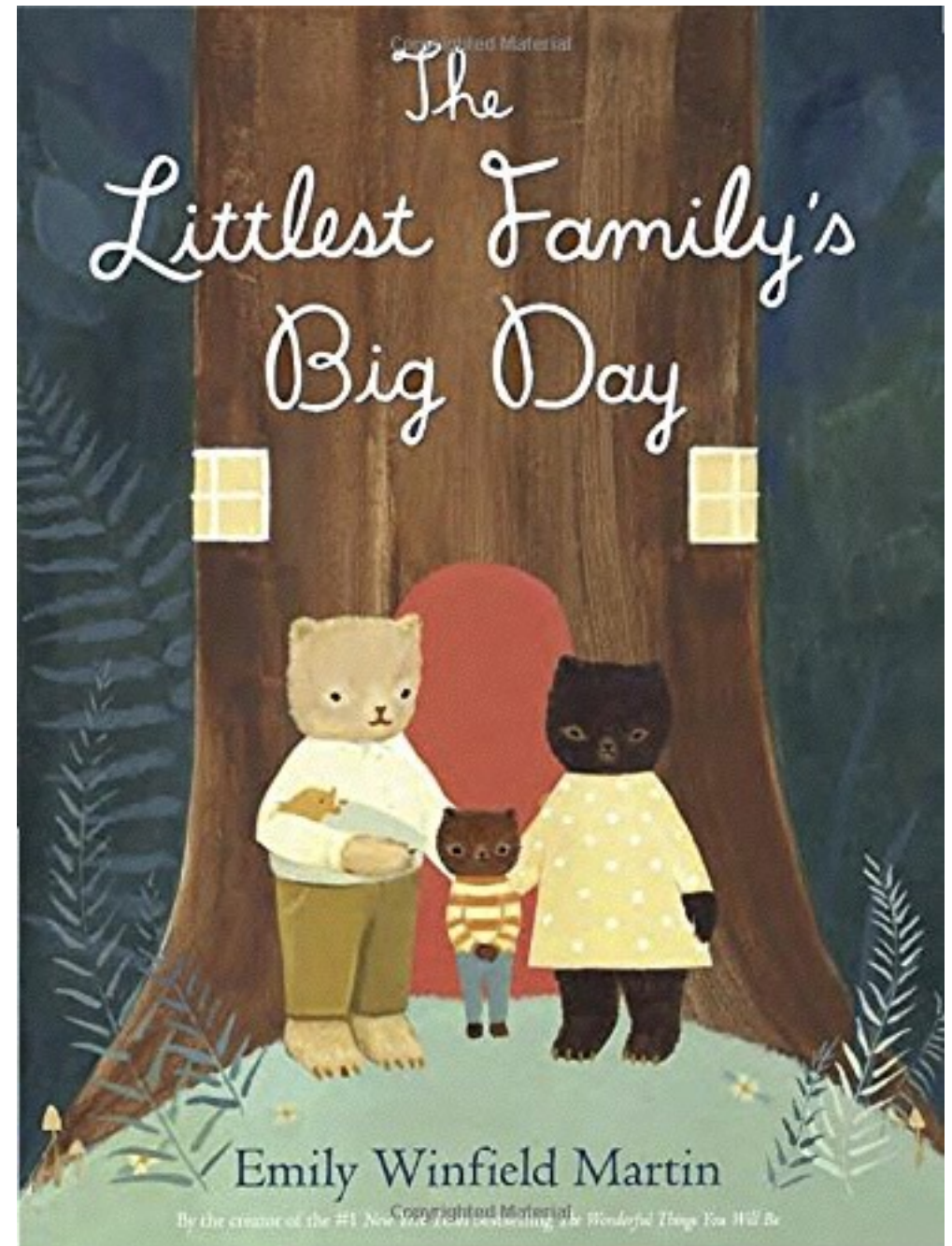


# The Littlest Family's Big Day

by Emily Winfield Martin

A family of tiny bears has moved into their new home. But now it is time for them to explore their new neighbourhood. They find many welcoming creatures but becoming lost after a rainstorm. The bears are rescued by a huge owl who flies them home. Embedded is the message “But when you are Lost, is the best time to Found”.

It is fully of stunning artwork with touches of magic... don't miss the cute little details!





# Story Workshop:

NOT just Literacy, but also in Mathematics



“Preparation begins with our image of children. It begins with our belief and knowledge and trust in the incredible capacities of children - all of them.”

- Susan Harris Mackay



Kristen Pennington's  
Grades K/1  
Hjorth Road Elementary

# Provocations

- It is a question that provokes thoughts, discussions, questions and inspires imagination and creativity.
- The intention is to provide an open-ended invitation for a child to explore and express themselves.



**An invitation to use ice, felt animals, or painting as a provocation...**

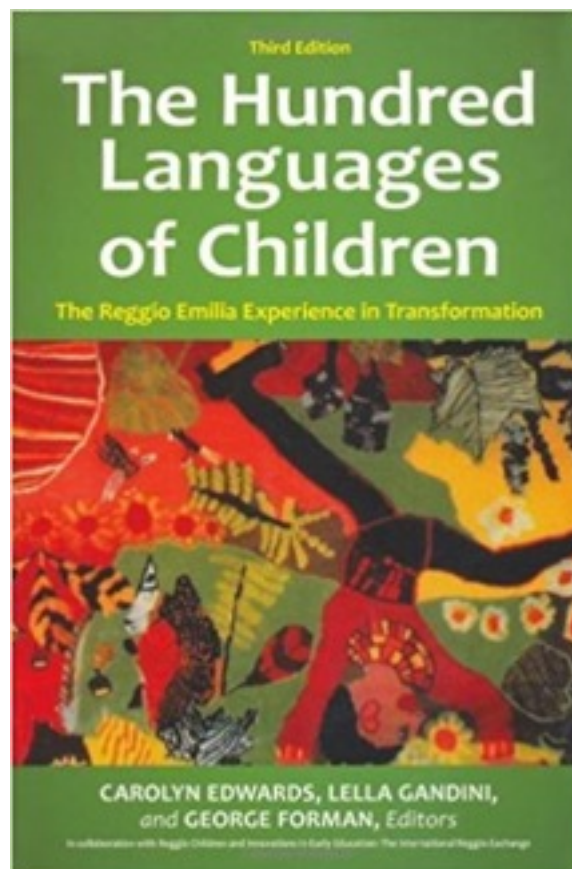


**An invitation to use loose parts, platercine, story rocks, the outdoors, book baskets as a provocation...**





# Representing stories through...





# Story Workshop invites children to...



I get ideas when I play.

My ideas are fun for me and make me happy.

I get ideas when I use my senses to explore.

- speak and listen
- collaborate with others
- use creative thinking
- try new vocabulary
- use story language
- engage in oral storytelling processes
- rehearse and develop stories before writing
- manipulate materials to generate creative ideas



# Story Workshop Connections to the Core Competencies:

## Strongly connects to the Core Competencies: Communication

- To share and develop ideas
- To explore topics in their stories that are of interest to them
- To work through their theories and understandings
- To work together to create a story
- To tell about their experiences
- To reflect on their learning during story workshop





# Story Workshop Connections to the Core Competencies:



## Creative:

- deeply collaborative
- children come into the classroom with “funds of knowledge”
- their stories have value to them

## Critical:

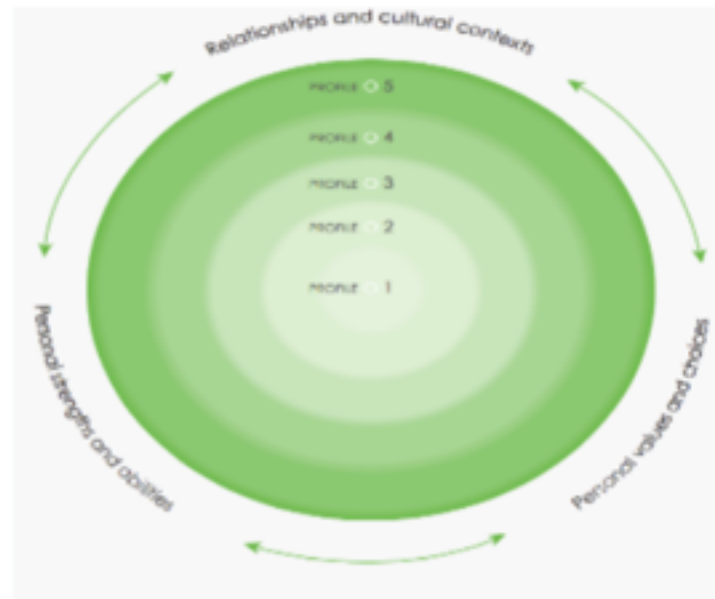
- when they are involved in decision making they are in essence problem solving, analyzing, inquiring into theory – ex: how does this stack?
- creating and carrying out plans
- synthesizing information
- knowledge has the capacity to be transferred into aspects of local or global issue discussions
- Testing theories



# Story Workshop Connections to the Core Competencies:

## Personal and Social

### Positive Personal and Cultural Identity



Children bring experiences and cultural contexts to their play and their stories.

See traces of their understanding of identity through relationship with materials.

### Personal Awareness and Responsibility

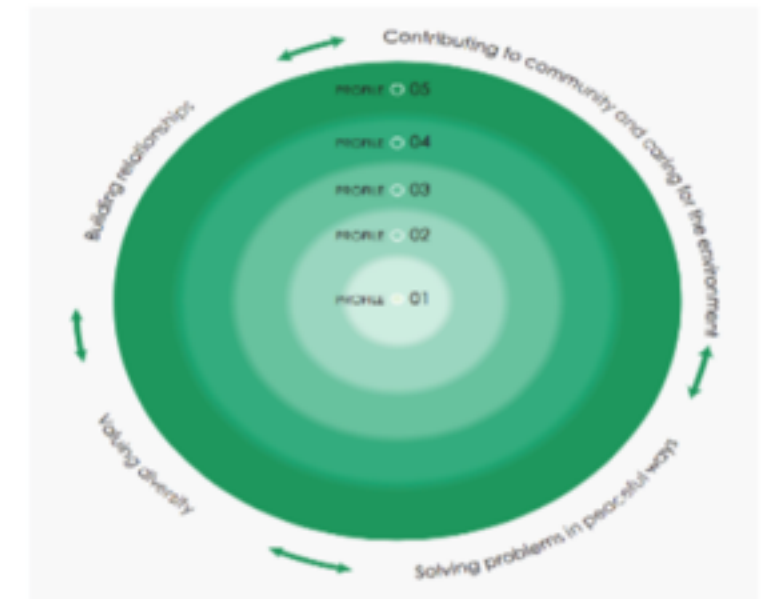


Listen closely - we see determination on their faces.

They share their own stories and with pride.

They persevere with challenges.

### Social Responsibility



Story workshop is highly collaborative. Children create and share stories with others.

Through play with materials may explore environmental issues, how to take care of selves, others and the world.



Language and story can be  
a source of creativity and  
joy.



Through listening and  
speaking,  
we connect with others and  
share our world.

## Literacy Learning Intentions

I know that I have stories to tell. I can explore language through speaking & listening.

I can retell a story from memory, and can connect to new stories.

I can get ideas from materials to create stories and share them orally.

# Oral Language Development

**Young children need writing to help them learn about reading, they need reading to help them learn about writing; and they need oral language to help them learn about both.**

Vocabulary  
Listening & Speaking  
Expressing ideas  
Questions  
Talking about texts/Storytelling





# Story Baskets





How do they know each other?  
What adventure could they have?



How could your animals meet?  
What could they do together?  
What adventure might they  
have?





How can retelling using materials support all learners?



(Eva Misner - Grade 1 - Surrey Traditional)

Comprehension and understanding

# Flannel Board Stories

**Visual** - sight, spacial perception

**Tactile** - touch & senses, hands-on manipulation of character and settings

**Creativity** - Imagination, make-believe, drama, storytelling

**Language** - Speaking and listening, solidifying and rehearsing vocabulary from the story



Learning Intentions for ALL, SOME, and a FEW



Everyone must have an entry point!





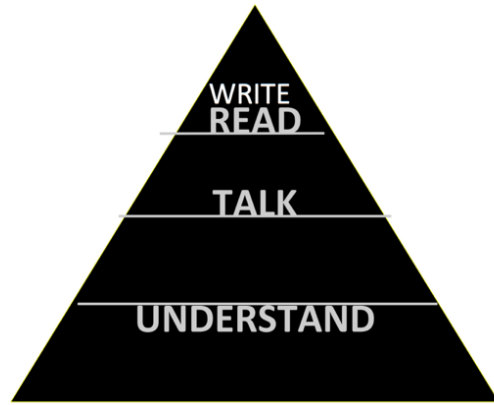
Langley Child Care Resource & Referral Centre  
(treasure trove for flannel board stories!)

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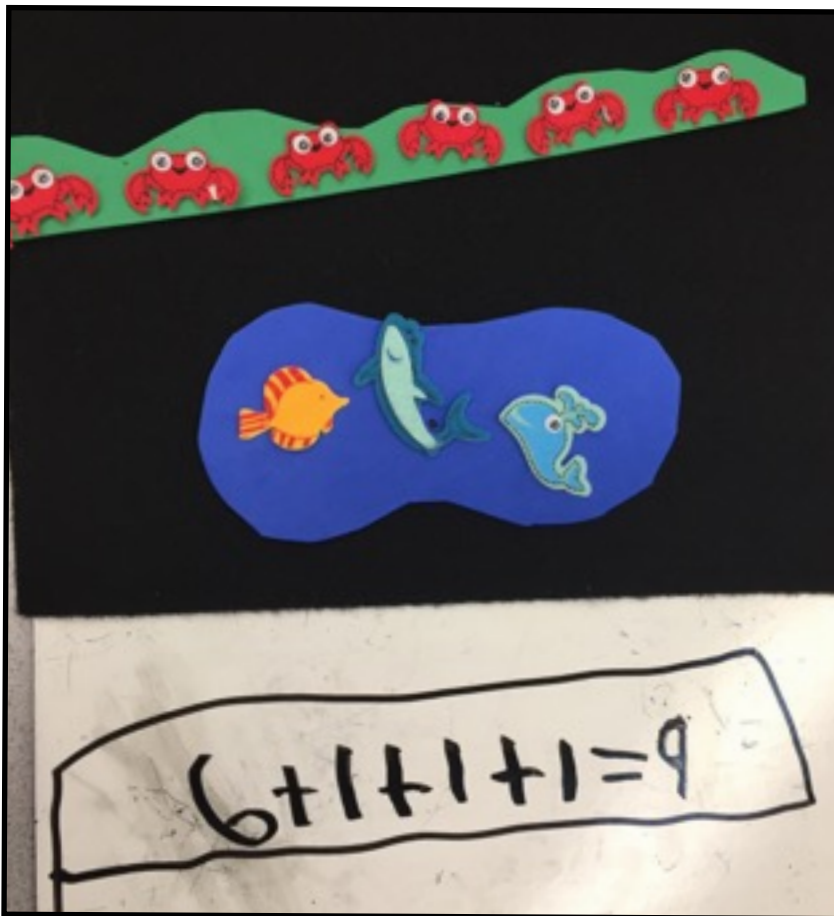
Oral storytelling naturally leads to writing.

“There is a very reciprocal, interdependent relationship between their play and the writing. Their play sparked their writing, which in turn supported the quality of their play, which then positively affected their writing, and so on.”

(Matt Glover,  
“Engaging Young Writers”, 2009)







## Numeracy Learning Intentions

I can communicate my mathematical understandings concretely and orally.

I can communicate my mathematical understandings pictorially (representation).

I can communicate my mathematical understanding symbolically.

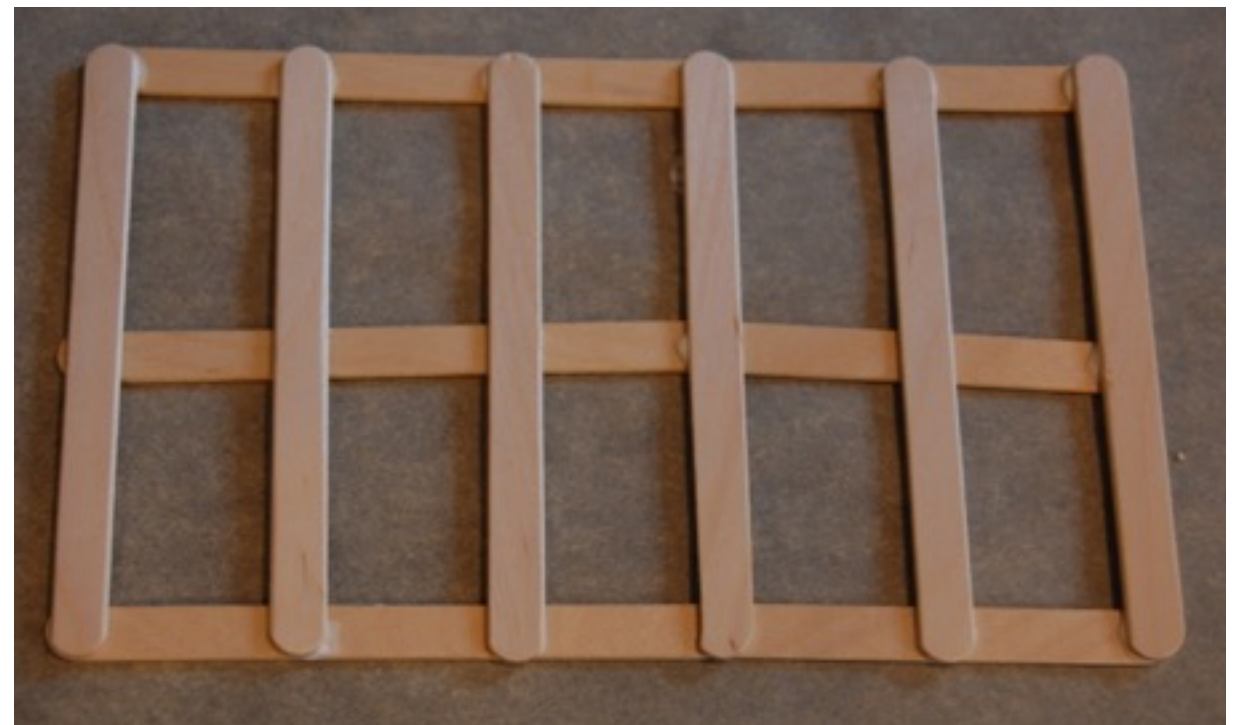




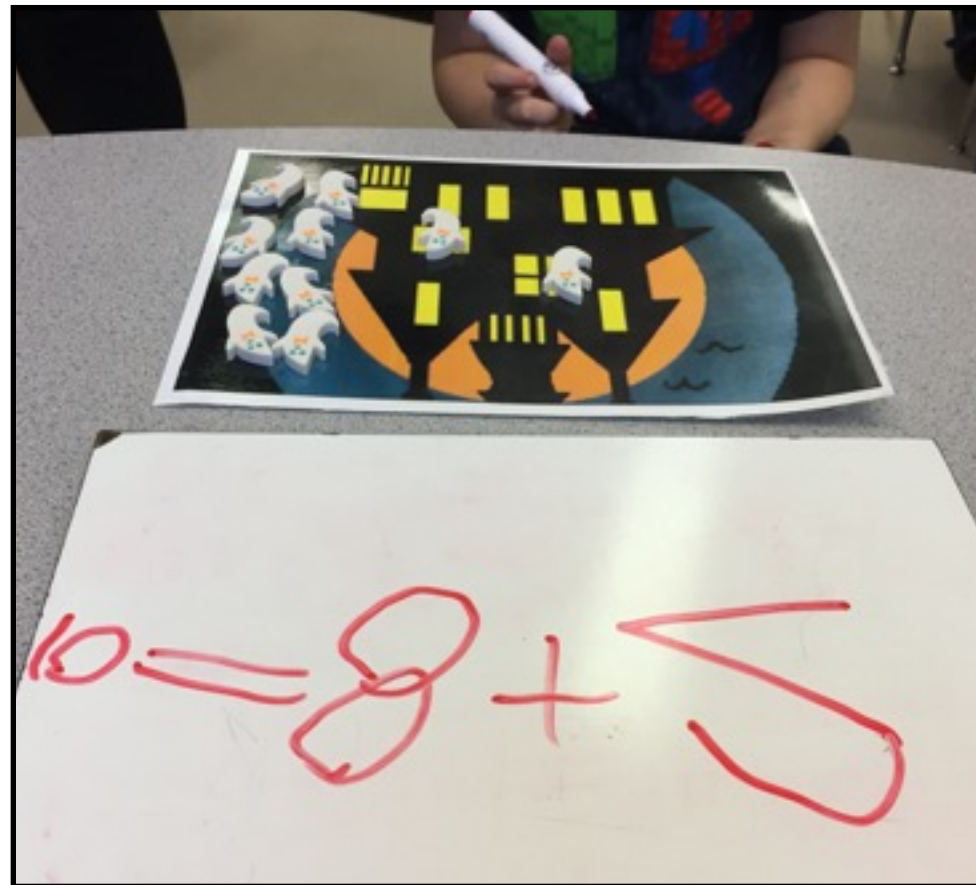
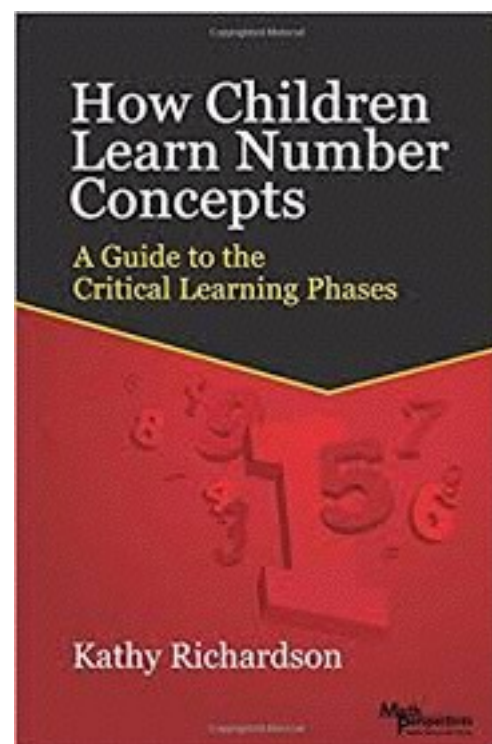


So, clearly she had more than 13 items.

What would be your next step? What might you suggest?



# Developmental progression of understanding.



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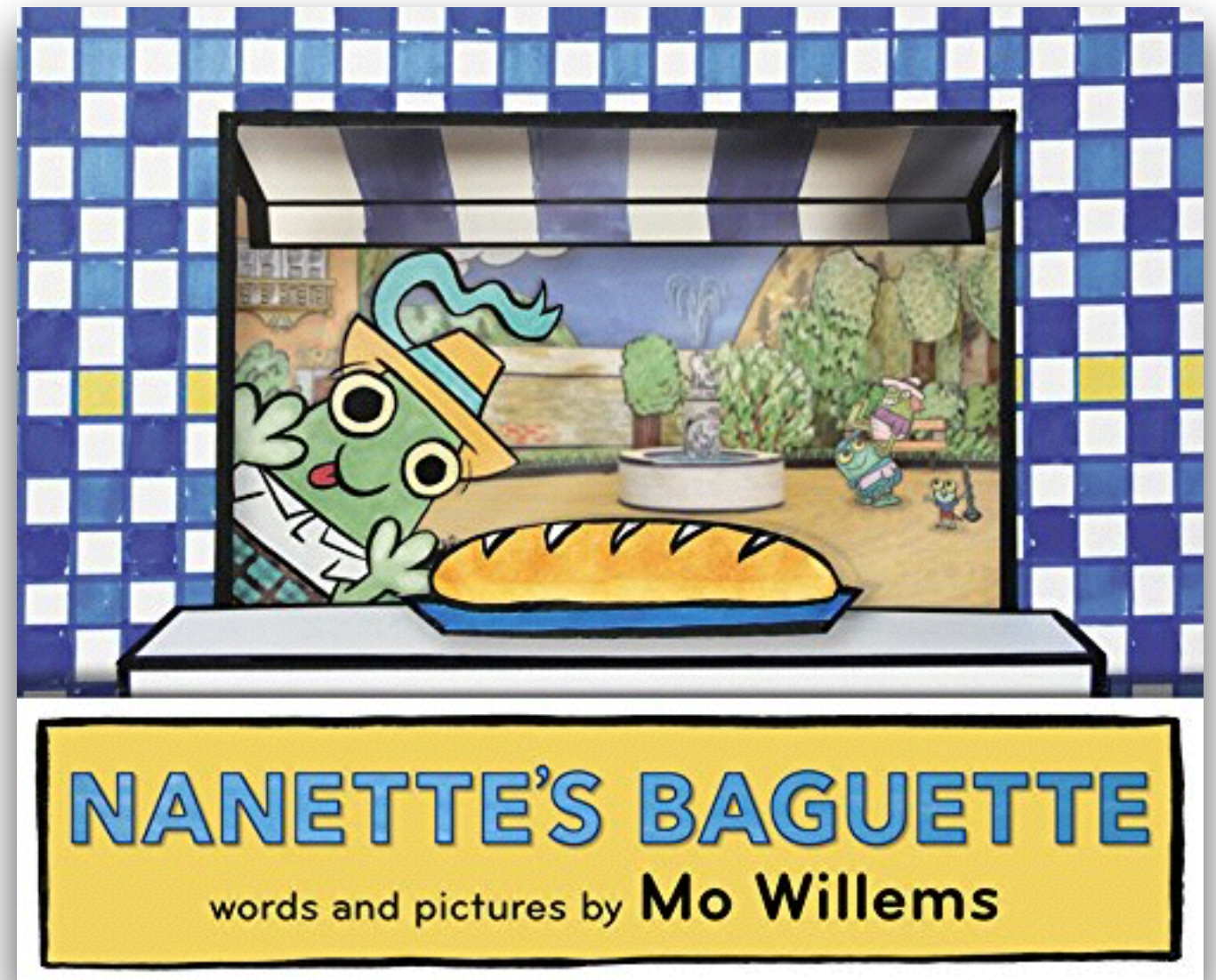


# Nanette's Baguette

by Mo Willems

Nanette's mother entrusts her to get the baguette from the bakery for the first time. But can Nanette resist sampling the delicious smelling baguette before she reaches home?

Ambitiously written using a variety of /-et/ words, Mo Willems offers an entertaining story that kids love!







## Literacy Learning Intentions

I can hear and play with the sounds of language & words.  
(Phonological & Phonemic Awareness)

I can identify rhyming words, and can generate words with similar sounds.

I can use descriptive words to describe my senses of touch, smell, sight,  
sound & taste.

I can develop oral language and new vocabulary through play.





## Literacy Learning Intentions

I can make predictions based on visual information (pictures)

I can discuss my theories and listen to the ideas of others.

I can adjust my theories based on new information.



# Picture Carousel



Small groups - Observe and talk - Rotate pictures  
Create theories/predictions based on evidence





What does this picture make you think about?  
What do you wonder?





Does this picture fit your predictions/theories?  
How might the pictures be connected in the story?





What do you wonder?



How have their predictions evolved?  
Are they curious?

Enjoy finding the details and answering your  
wonderings while you read the book!



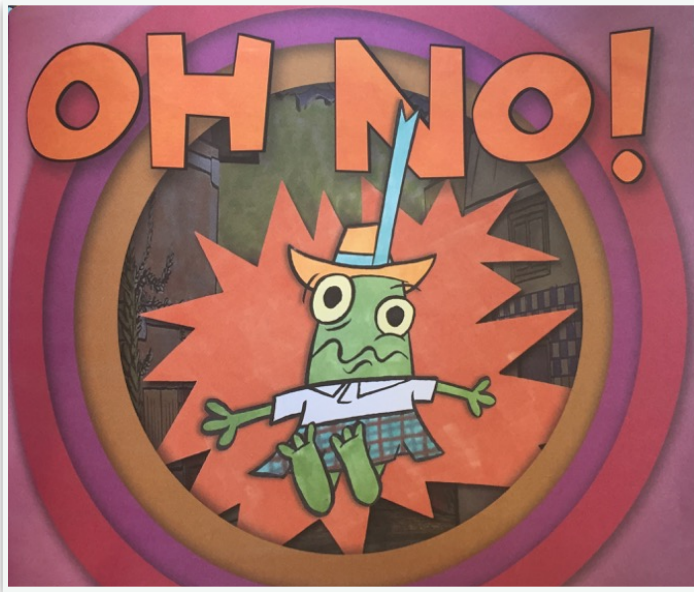
Themes to explore:



## RESPONSIBILITY

“What does it mean to be responsible?”

“What are you responsible for?”



## MAKING MISTAKES

Mistakes happen. They can help me learn. They make me better!



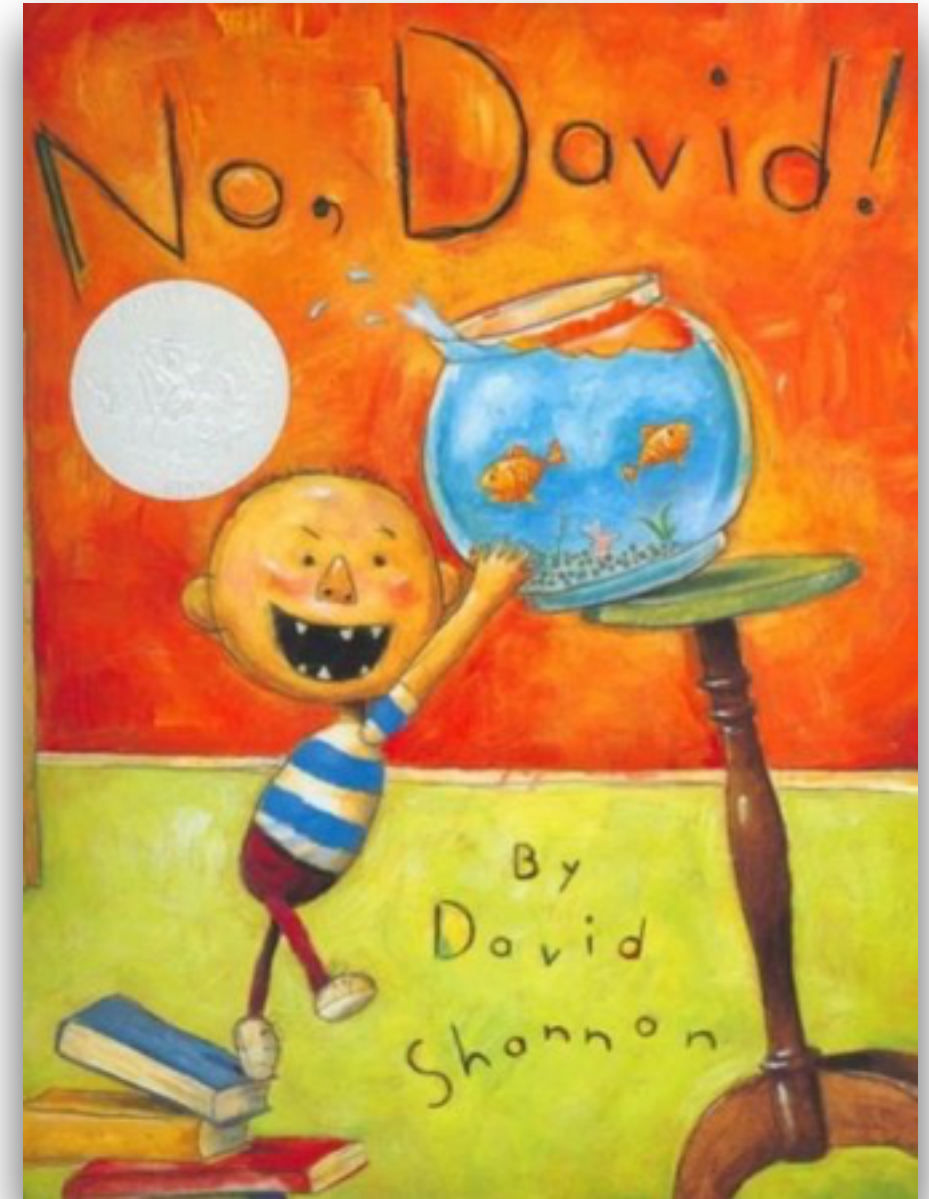
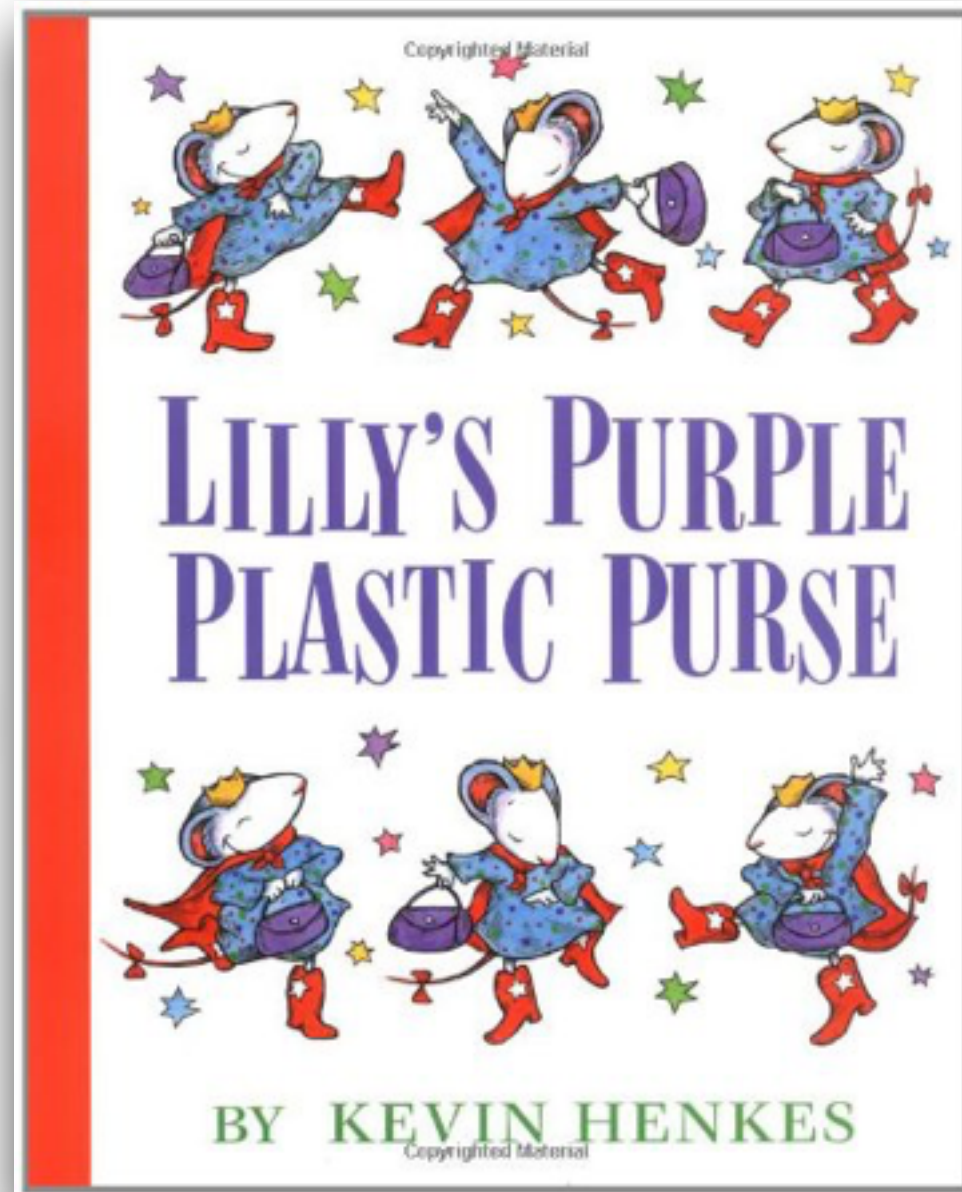
## FORGIVENESS

Examine Nanette's mother's reaction.

“What does forgiveness mean?”

“How does it feel to be forgiven?”

Connect to stories with similar themes:





Oral Storytelling of similar experiences:



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7BxQLITdOOc>

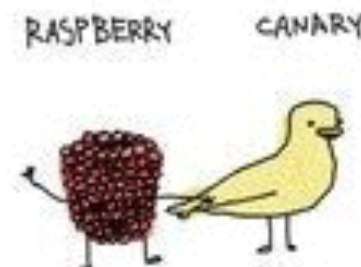
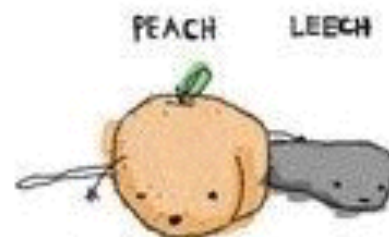
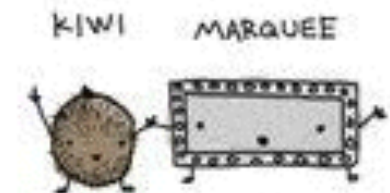
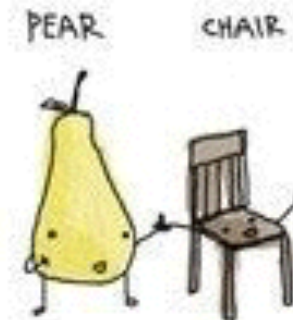
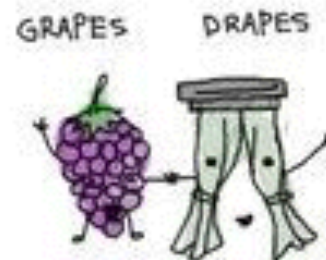
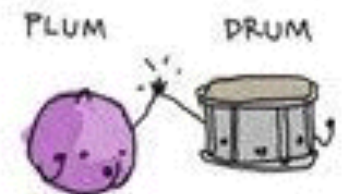
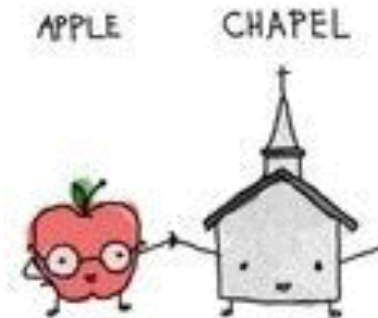
“What food can you not resist?”





# Food Rhymes

“What food words  
are easy to  
rhyme?”



“What words are  
difficult to rhyme?”

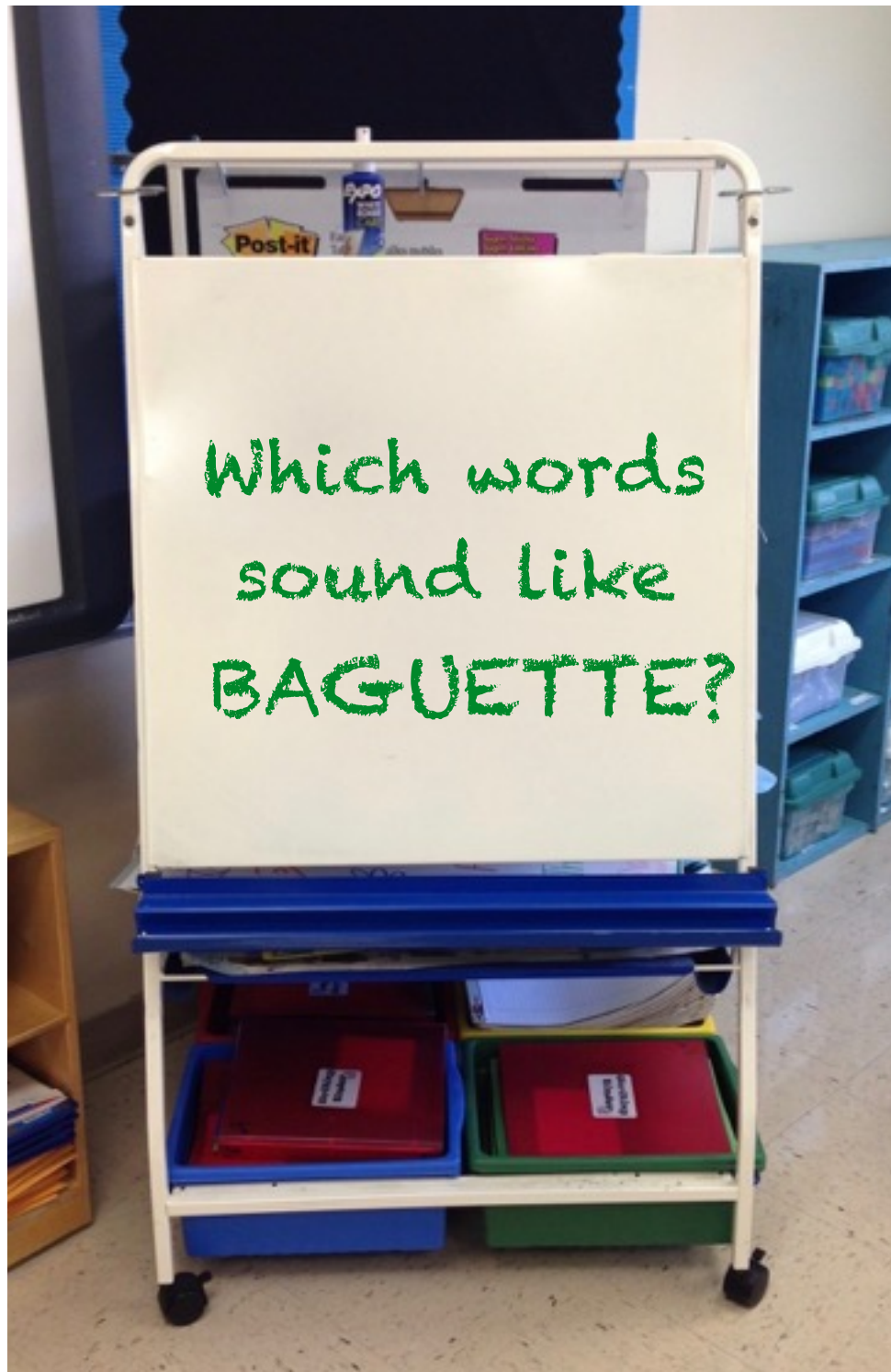
“Can you make a  
rhyme about  
something in your  
lunch?”

## Baguette



Nanette  
forget  
kitchenette  
yet  
set  
get  
bet

“What do  
you notice?”





# Word Families

## Segmenting/Blending

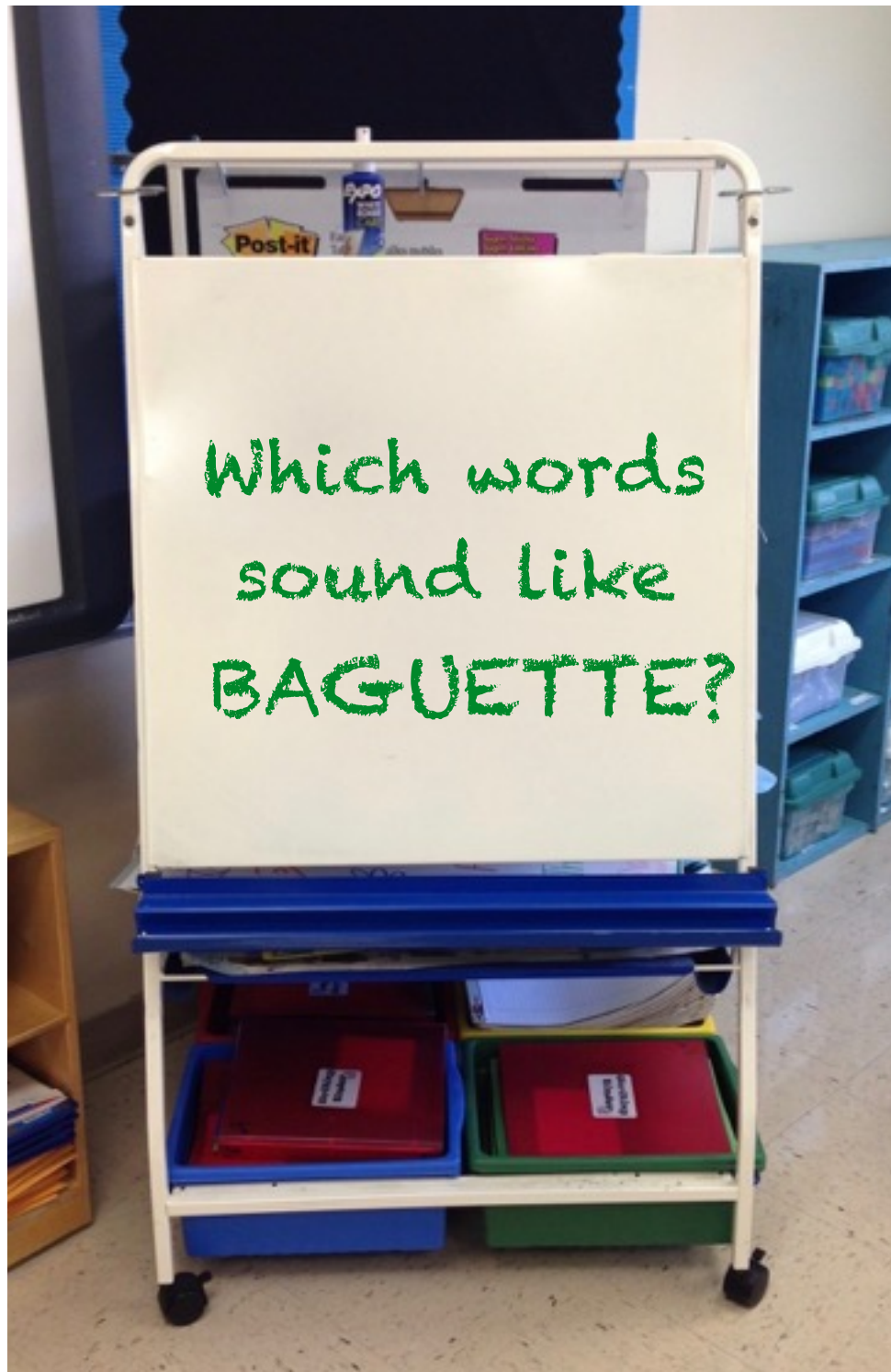


## Baguette





Nanette  
forget  
kitchenette  
yet  
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Suzette  
Tibet  
pet  
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clarinet  
Georgette  
Mr. Barnett  
quartet  
upset  
fret  
wet  
jet  
sweats  
beset  
regret  
reset  
Juliette

“How could we sort these words?”





Are there any words that rhyme with YOUR name?

Max	
 Real words	 Silly words
Tax	dax
Wax	brax
Fax	<del>poax</del>
Facks	SLAX
cracks	KLAX
Smacks	GAX
lax	PLACKS
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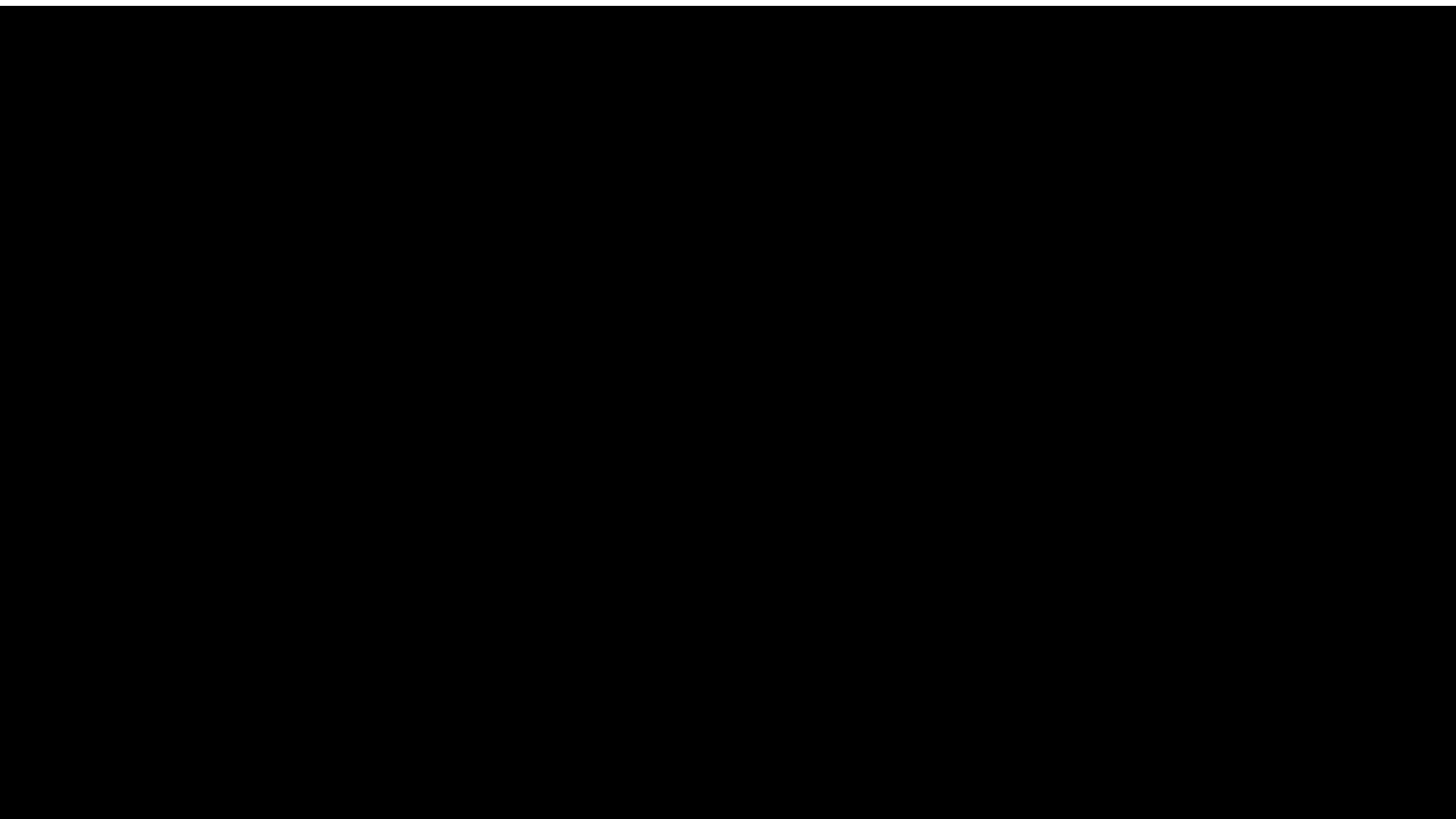
# Limericks

Once there was a boy named Devon.  
who ~~once~~ shopped at Seven Eleven.  
he wanted some sweets,  
But they only had beets.  
So hungry and angry was Devon,

✓  
There Once was a girl named Andrea  
who invented a weird fruit named Dandria.  
But it tasted like moss,  
which caused a big loss  
of the money ~~from~~ of that dear  
girl Andrea.



Imagine the opportunities to use literacy & numeracy to create  
a cardboard town similar to the one in the story:





## “Realia”

- Provide opportunities to examine real items
- Create background knowledge for the story
- Engage senses to make meaning
- Fun! Create memorable moments





The baguette  
is warm.



The baguette  
smells wonderful.



(And there sure is a lot of it. . . .)



“What does the baguette feel like?”



“What does the baguette sound like?”

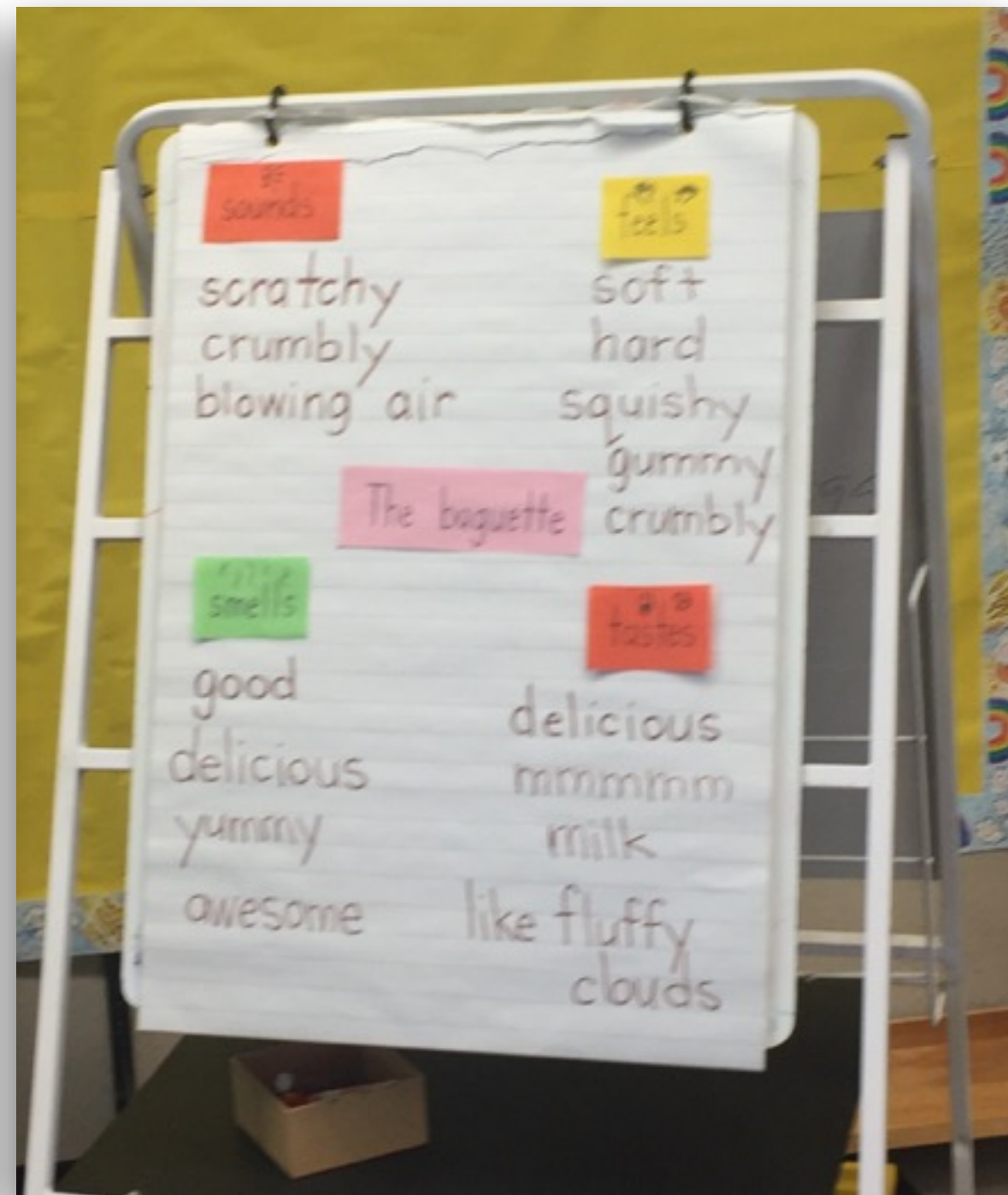


“What does the baguette smell like?”



“What does the baguette taste like?”







# Dramatic play centres



## Imaginative Play:

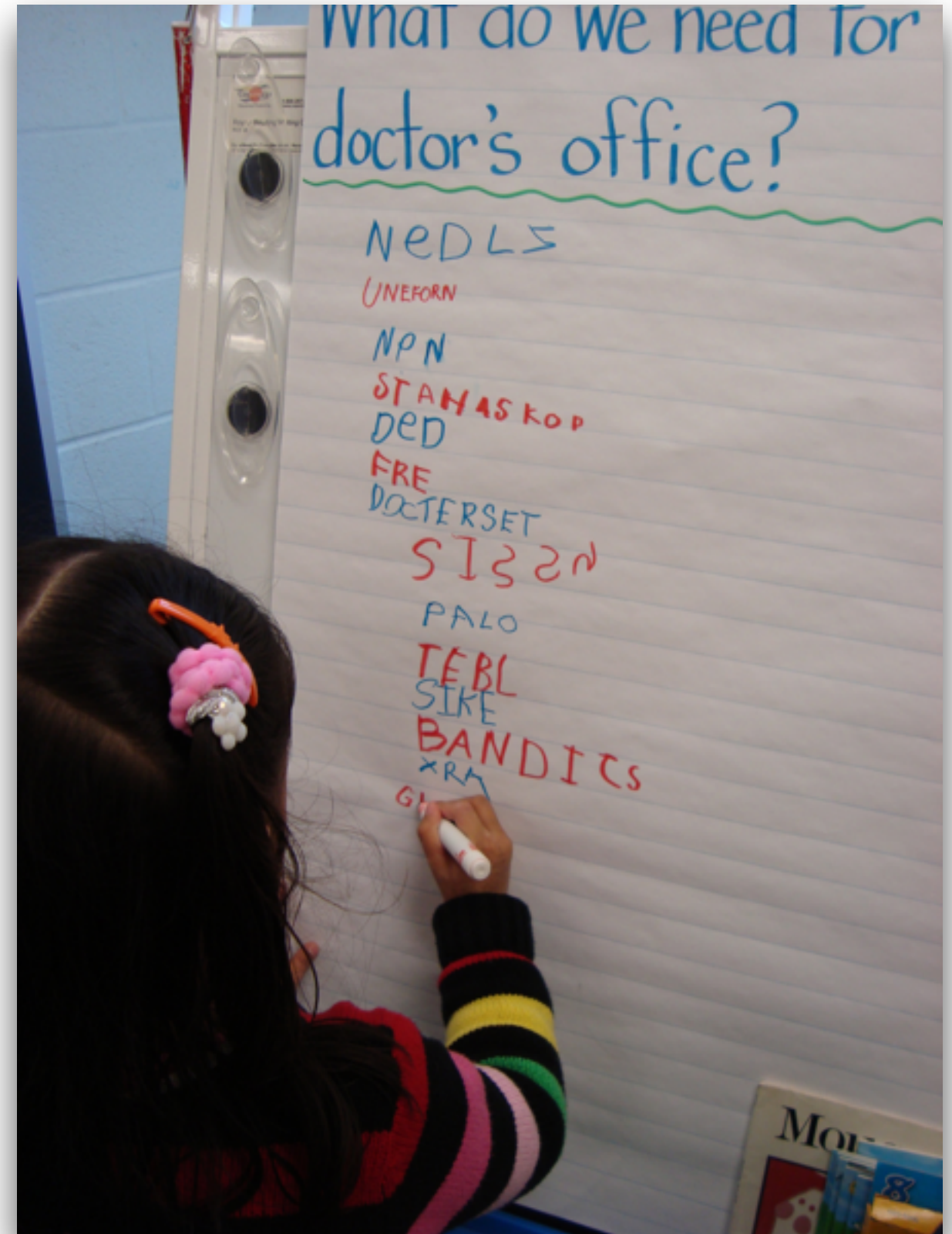
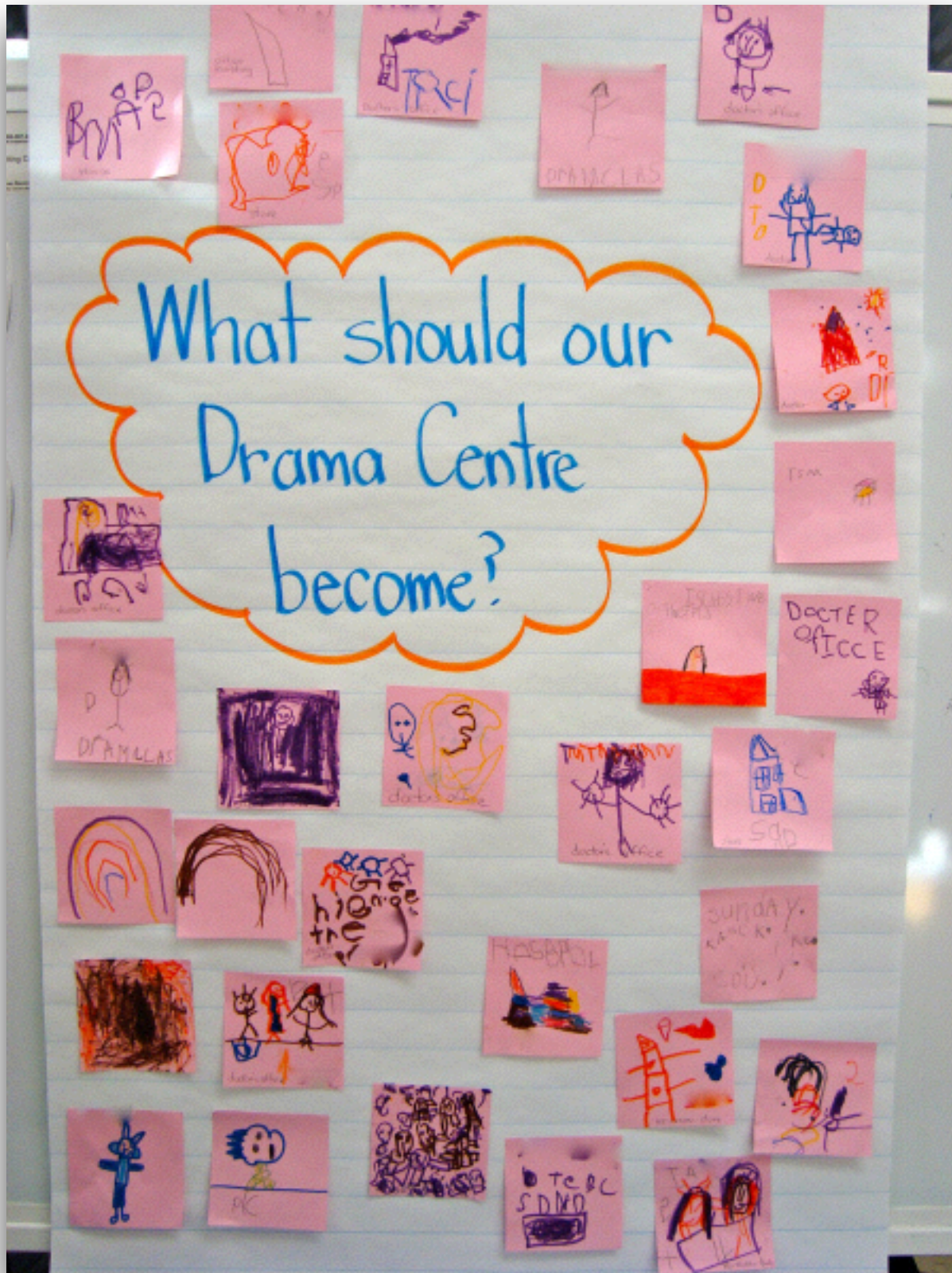
- develops symbolic, abstract thought (precursor to writing)
- contributes to development of narrative abilities  
(opportunities to dramatize characters, events & settings)
- low-risk space to try out new language or vocabulary

“ Utilizing the power of story through dramatic play and read-alouds, teachers can create rich language environments for children that encourage them to think, talk, play, and write in ways that show deep engagement and understanding.”  
(Matt Glover, “Engaging Young Writers”, 2009)





# Co-create dramatic play centres



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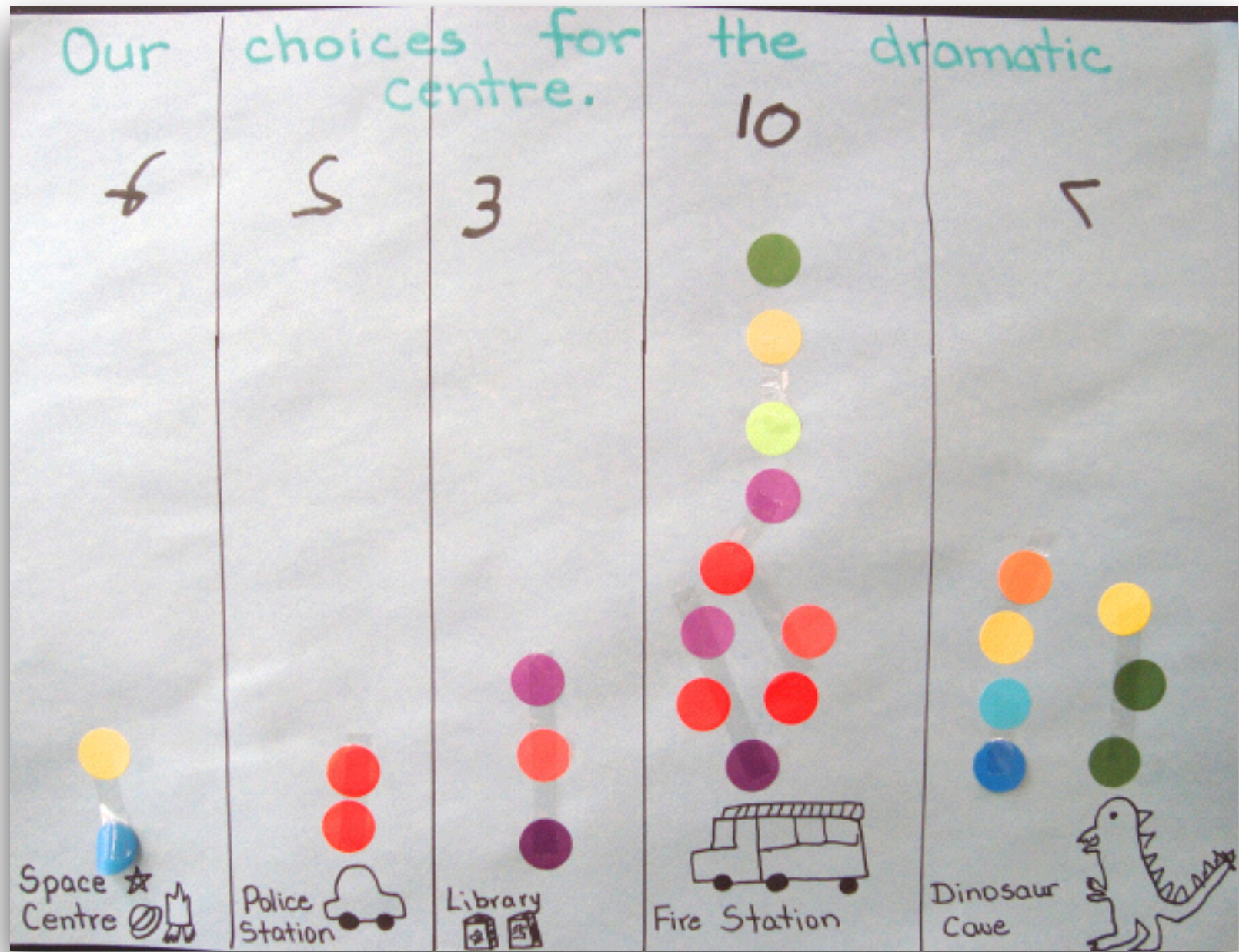
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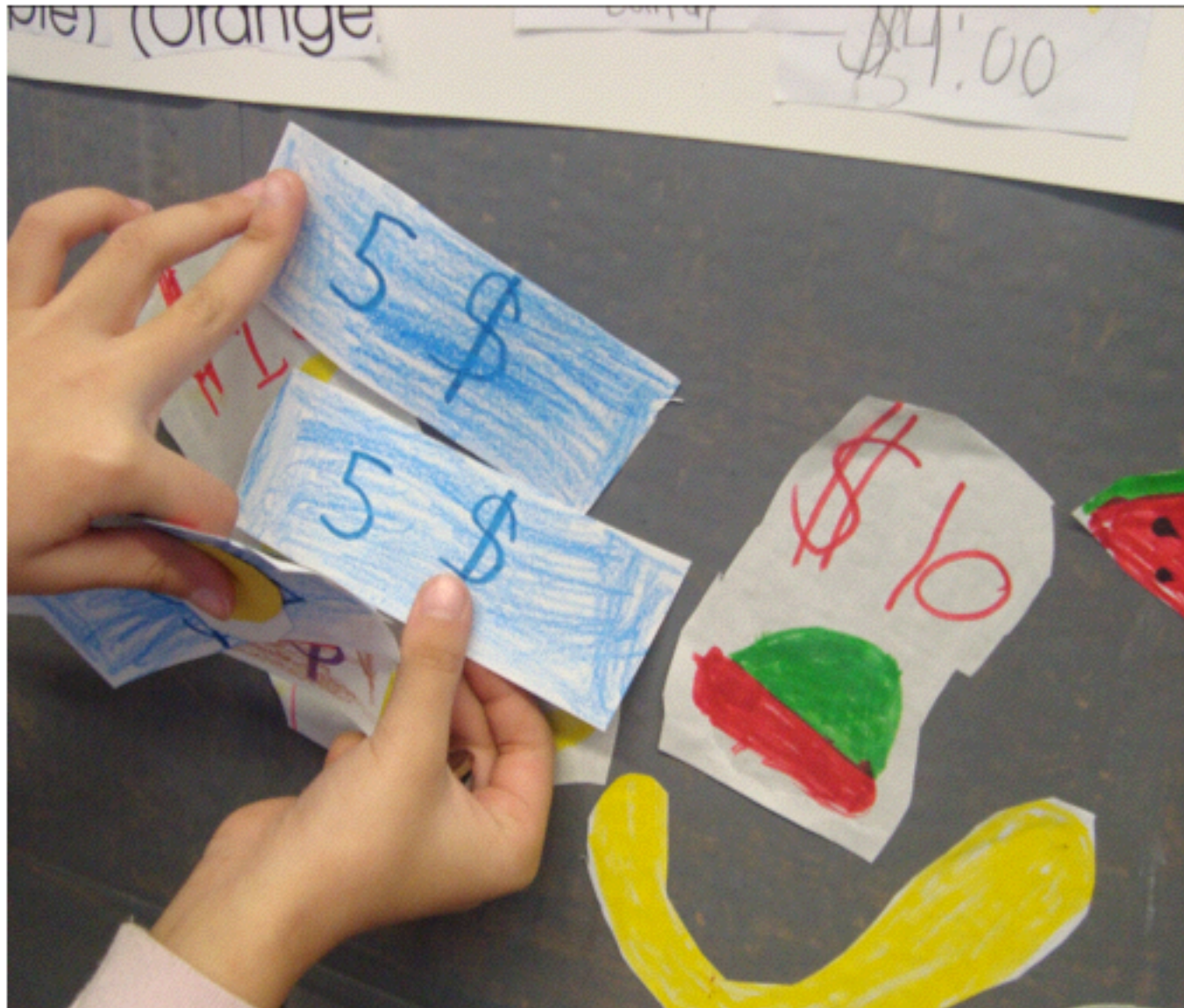
# Co-create dramatic play centres



<https://crayonswandsandbuildingblocks.wordpress.com>



# Co-create dramatic play centres







Grade 2's playing in the General Store  
(North Ridge Elementary)



# Numeracy & literacy opportunities in dramatic play:







## Numeracy Learning Intentions

I can notice the attributes of coins (colour, size, pictures).

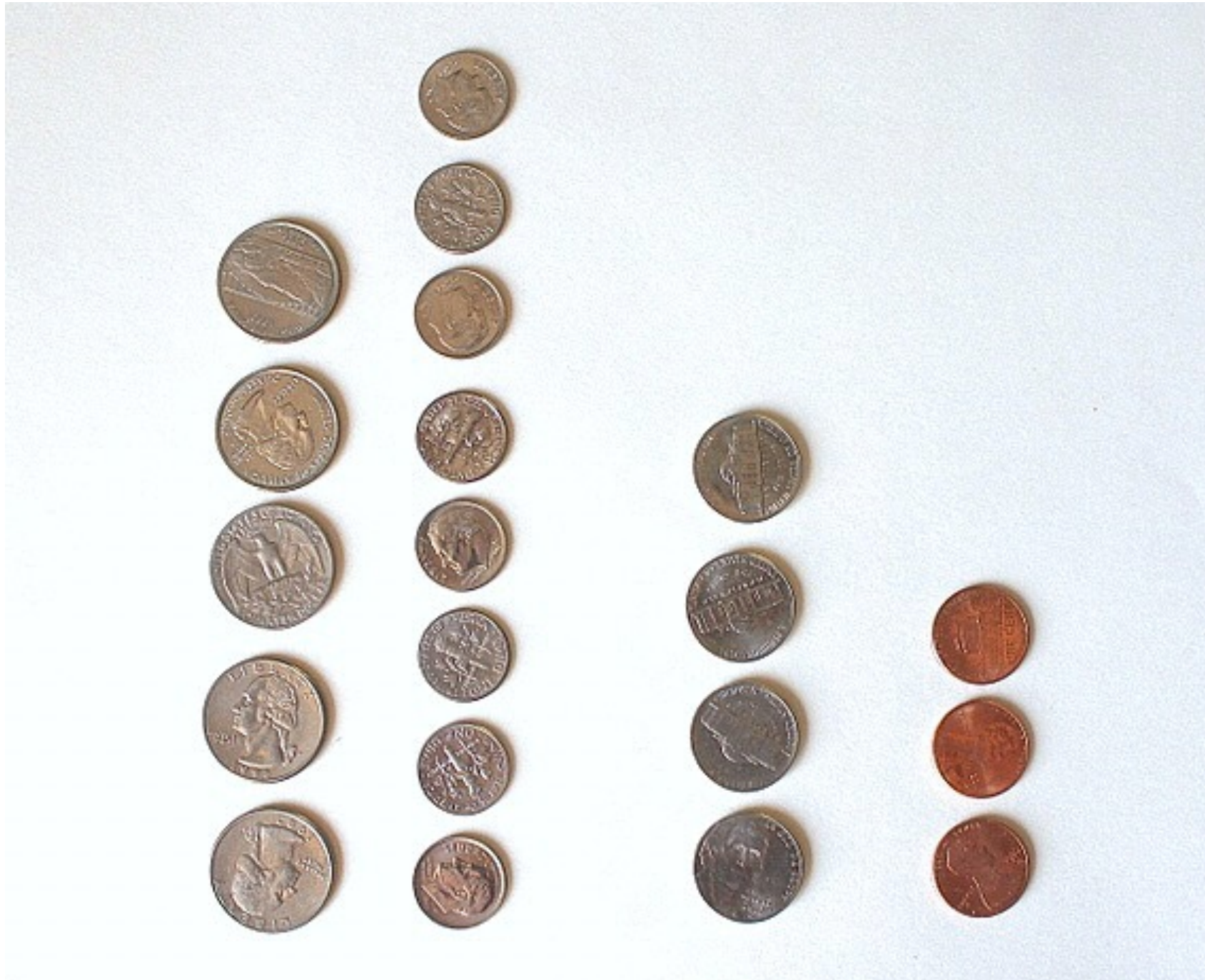
I can notice the attributes of coins (colour, size, pictures).

I can role-play financial transactions such as in a bakery or store.

I can use whole numbers to pretend pay for purchase and make change.

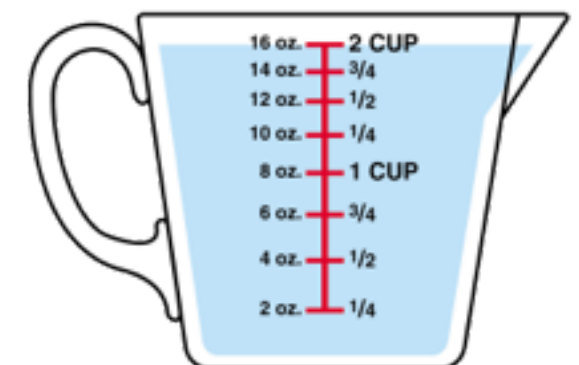


# Notice and Wonder:



# Could we make bread?

- How do we read a recipe?
- What does it mean to follow a recipe?
- Where do we see math in this activity?
- What happens to the mixtures when we combine them?
- What happens to the mixture when we add heat?





# Act One:



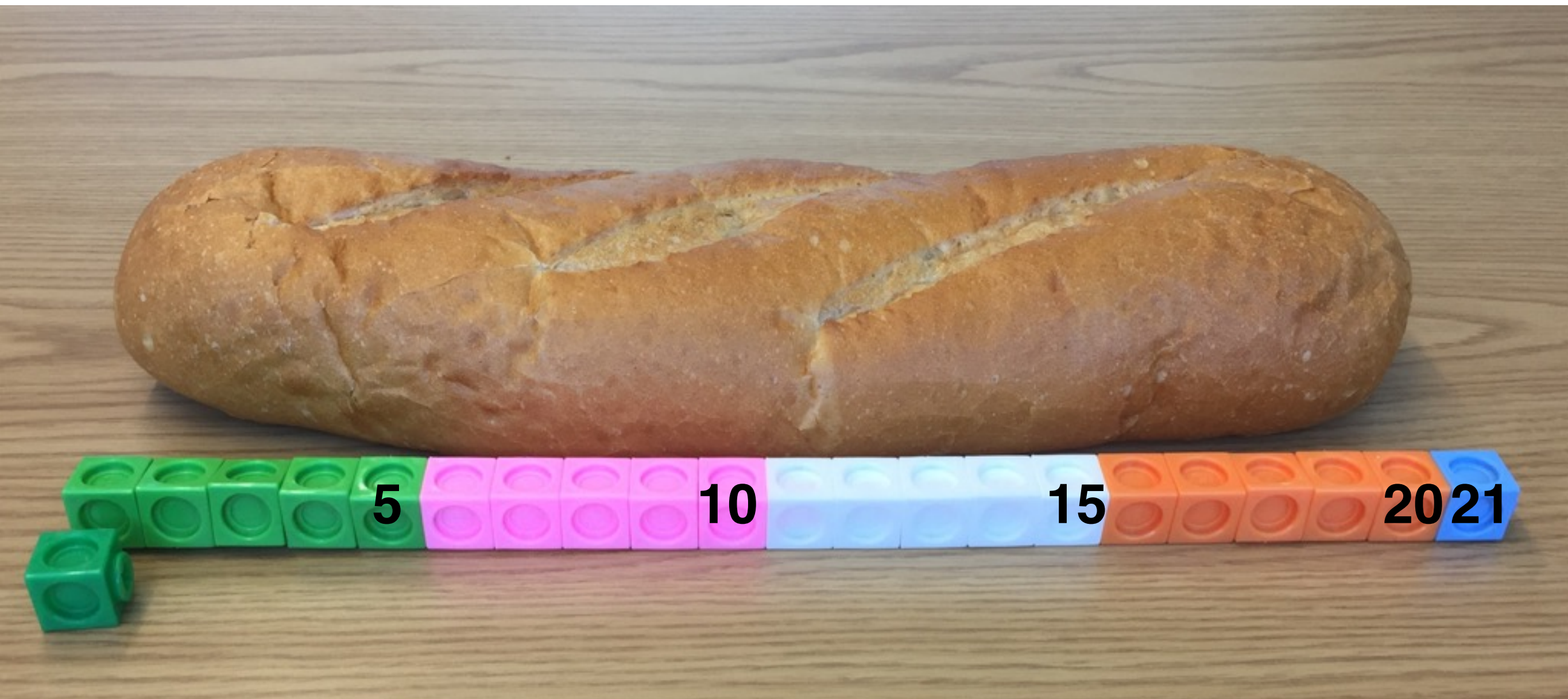


# Act Two:



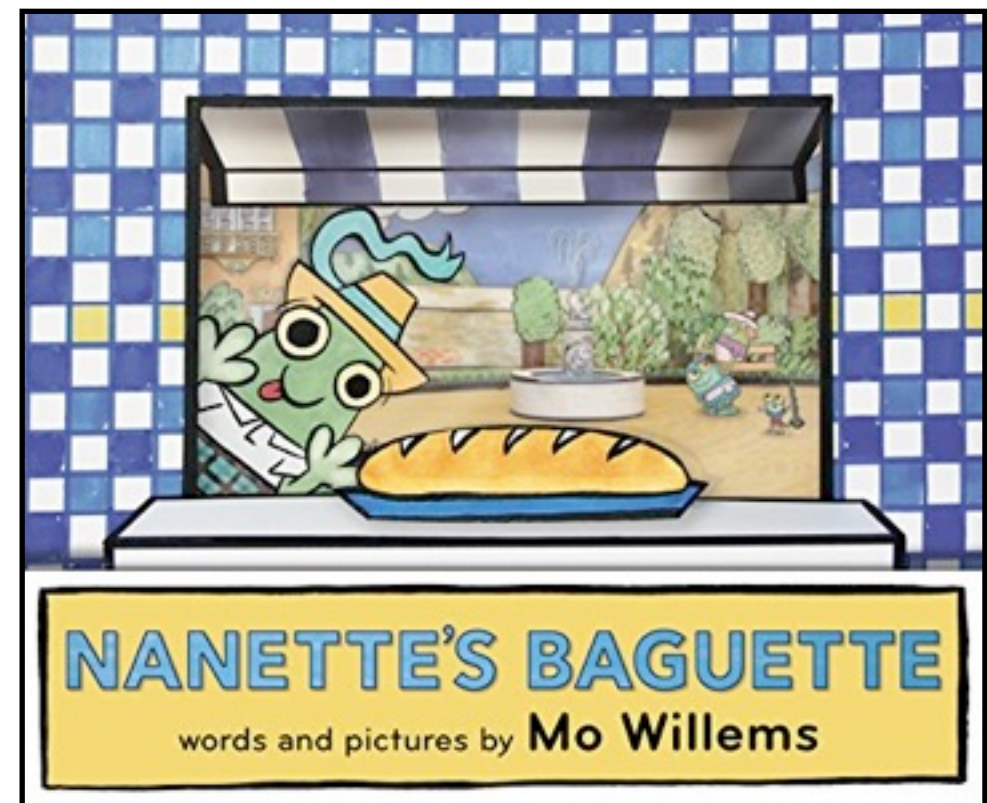
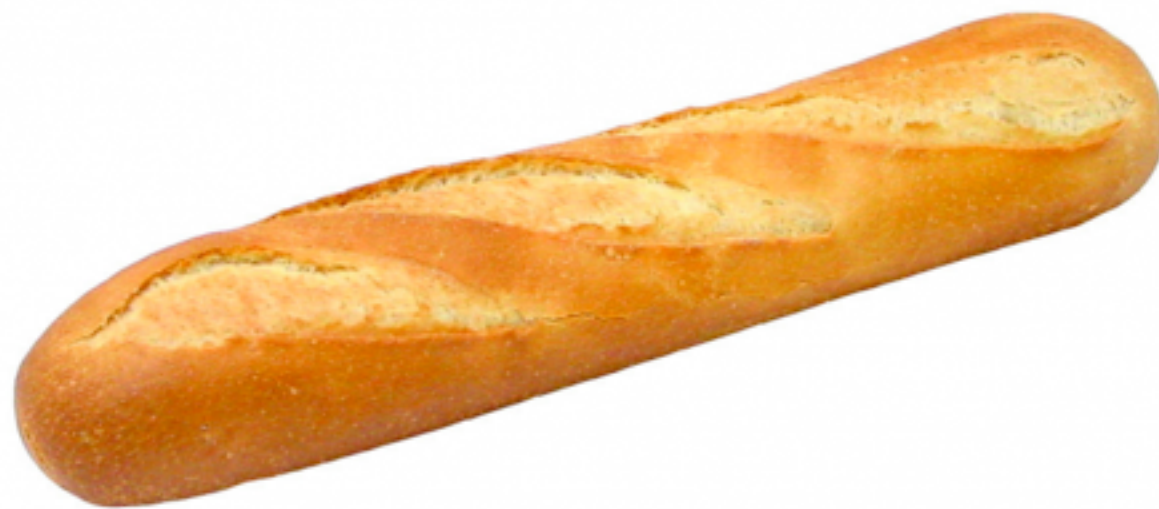


# Act Three:



# Act Four: (the Sequel)

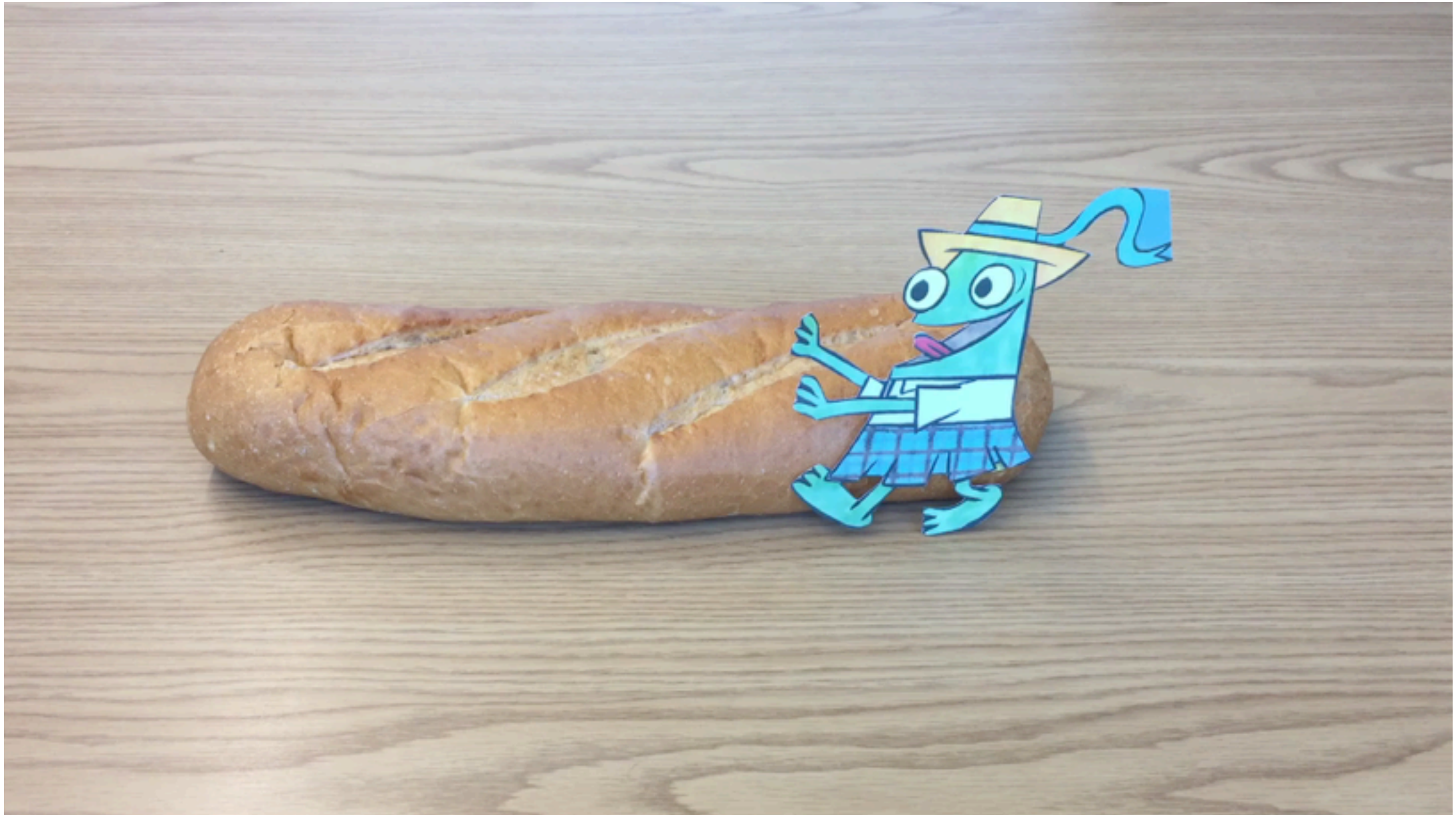
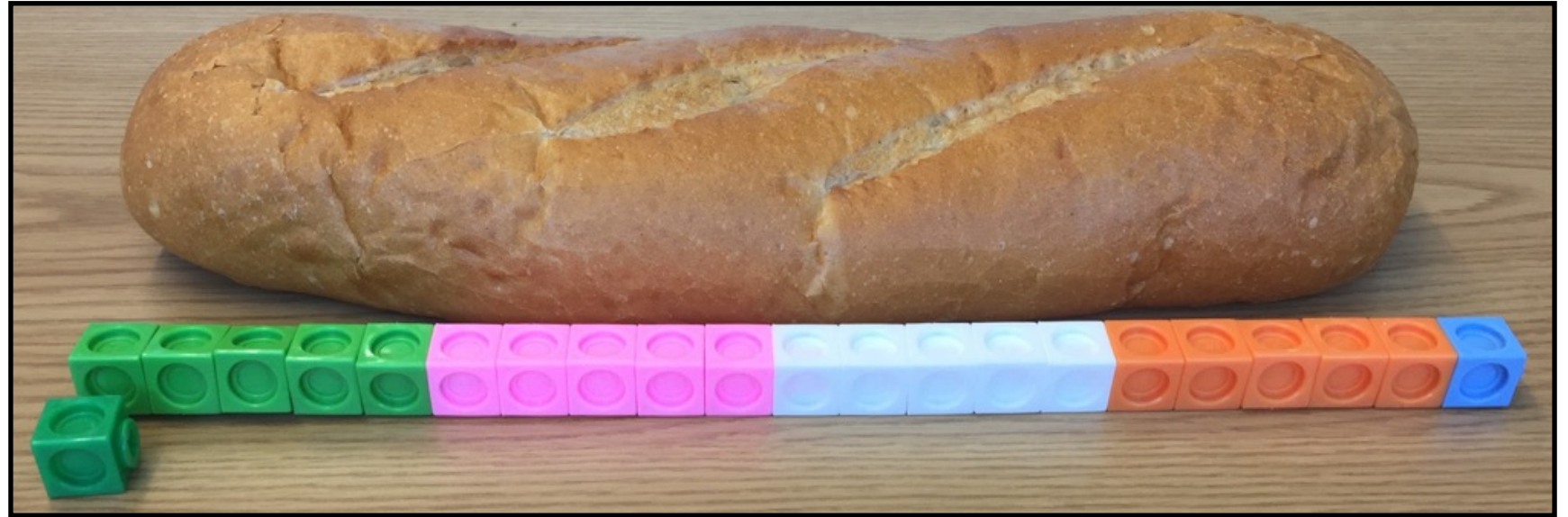
1. How long is the baguette/pieces in centimetres?
2. Change the unit! How many pattern blocks long is the baguette? (i.e. paper clips, pencils, erasers)



Check out [www.gfletchy.com/3-act-lessons/](http://www.gfletchy.com/3-act-lessons/)

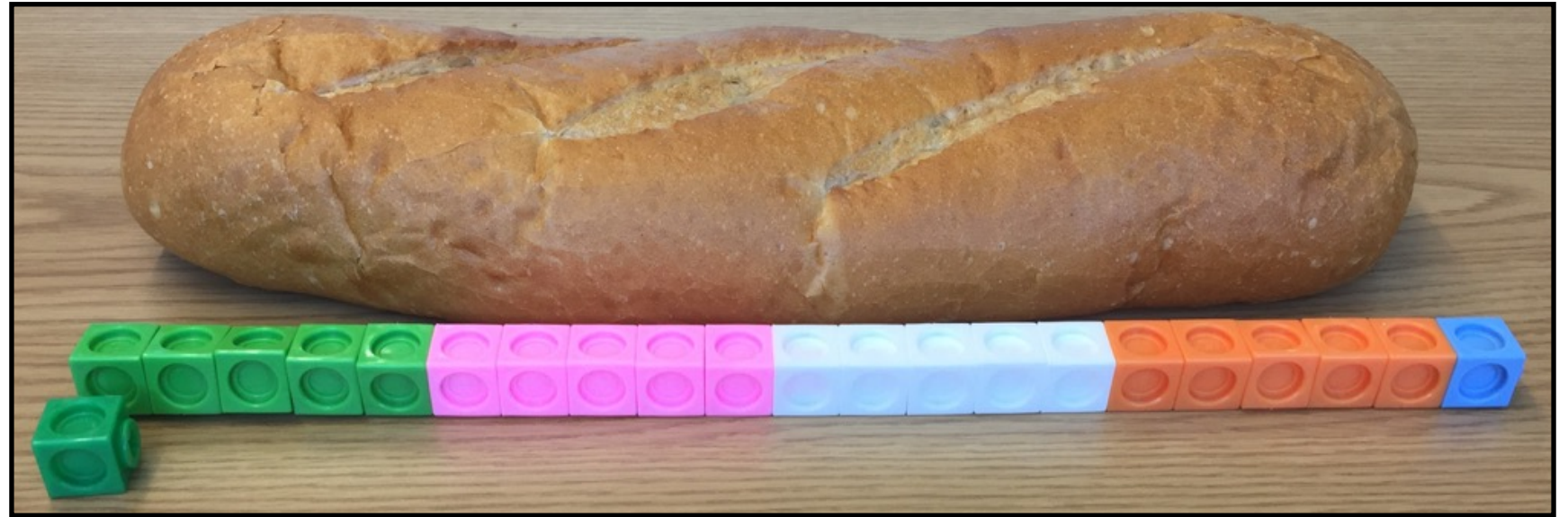


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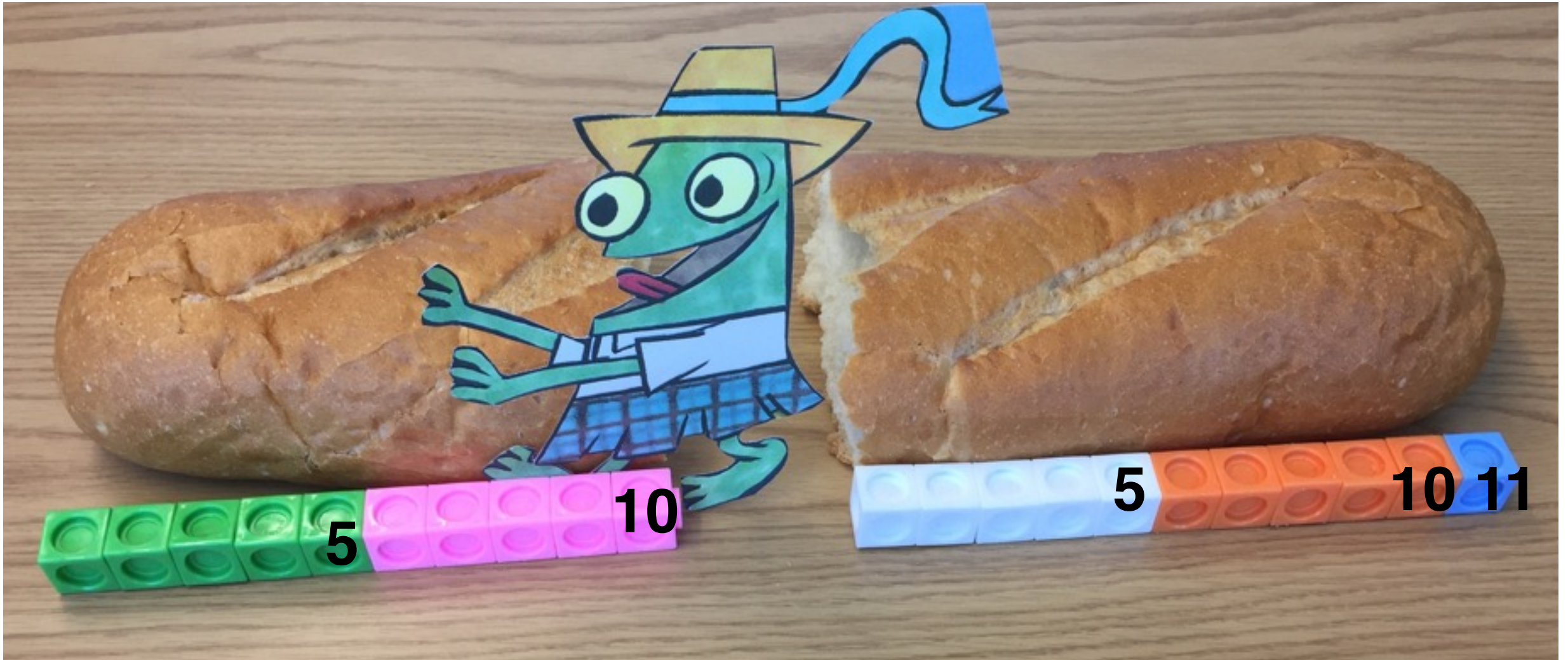


# Act Two:





# Act Three:



# Three Act Task

## **Act One:**

Begin with a captivating visual. The teacher records what the students notice and wonder and a question is determined. The class determines a wide range of appropriate estimates. *Note: Answering a question they generate increases all students' engagement!*

## **Act Two:**

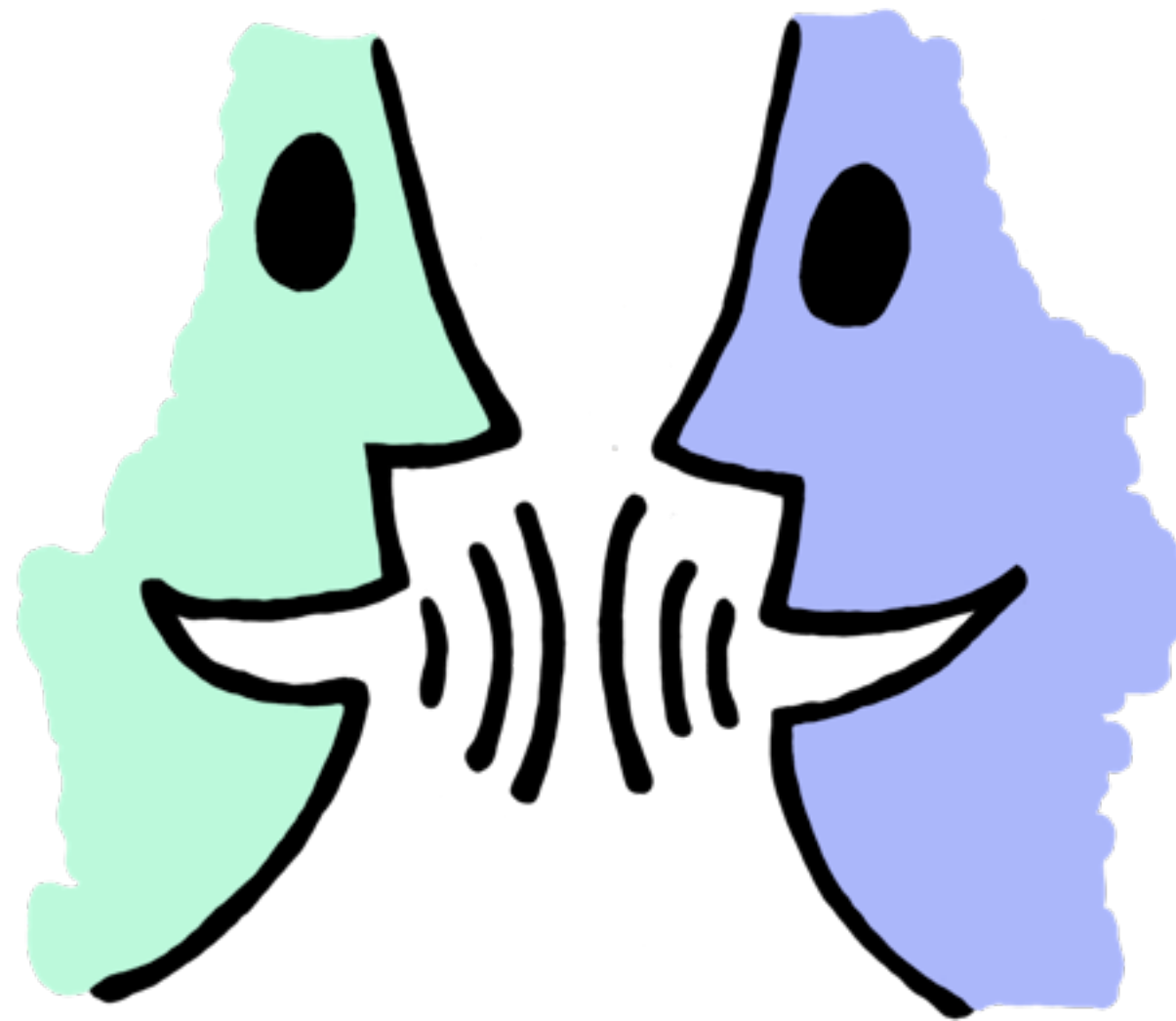
Students determine what information they need to assist them with their question. The students need to feel ownership over solving the question.

## **Act Three:**

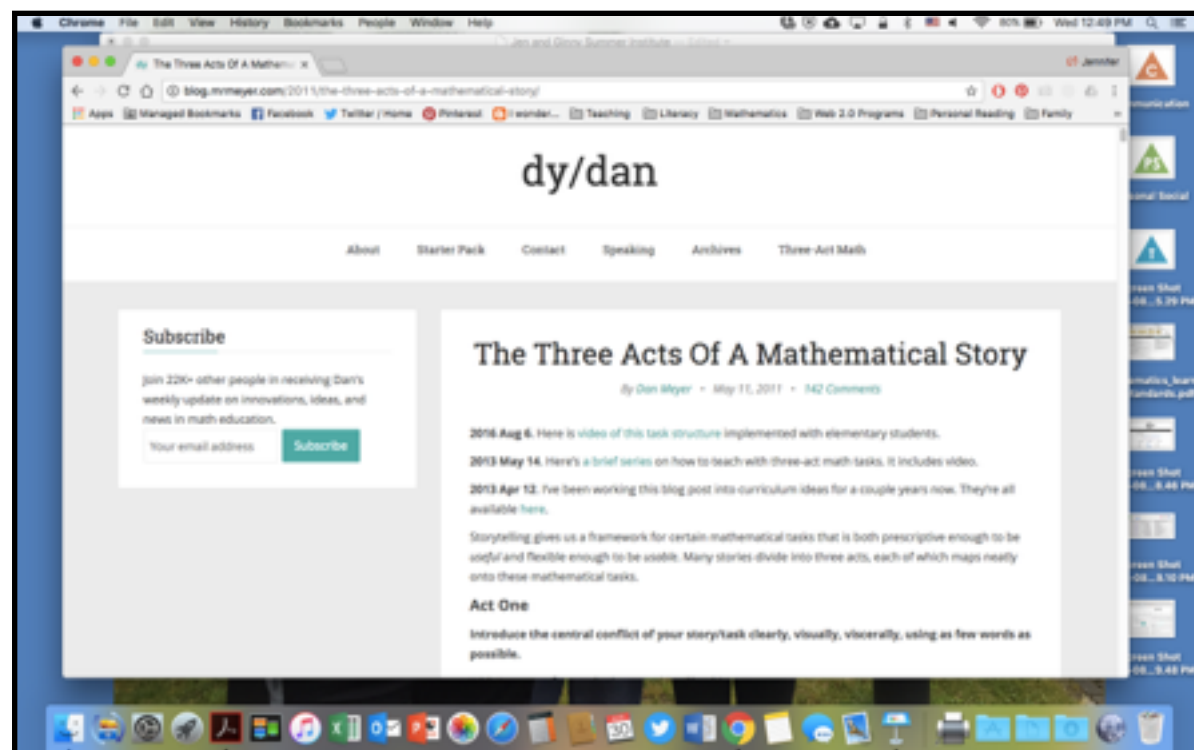
The final visual reveals the answer! Students often feel a sense of celebration! If all the original student questions were not answered, they could be used as extensions.



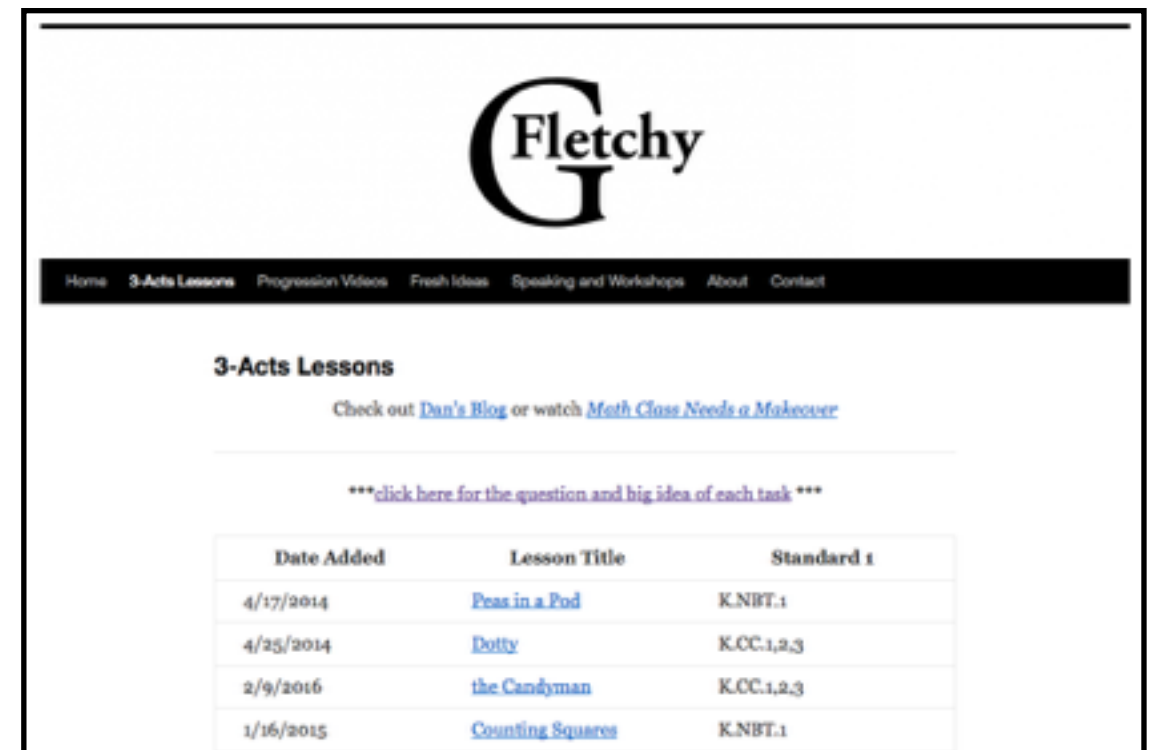
What benefits do you see in using this approach?



# Where can I find more 3 act tasks?



Dan Meyers



Graham Fletcher

The screenshot shows a Google Sheet titled '3-Act Tasks (Graham Fletcher)'. The table has columns for Date Added, Lesson Title, Standard 1, Standard 2, Big Ideas, and What do you wonder? The data is as follows:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	Date Added	Lesson Title	Standard 1	Standard 2	Big Ideas	What do you wonder?
2	4/17/2014	<a href="#">Peas in a Pod</a>	K.NBT.1	K.CC.4	counting	If all the peas were in one pod, how many peas would there be?
3	4/25/2014	<a href="#">Dotty</a>	K.CC.1,2,3	K.CC.4,5	counting and patterns	How many dots will be on the screen after the last bell?
4	2/9/2016	<a href="#">the Candyman</a>	K.CC.1,2,3	K.CC.4,5	counting and joining sets	How many candies are in one in his hand?
5	1/16/2015	<a href="#">Counting Squares</a>	K.NBT.1	K.CC.4,5	counting and patterns	How many tiles are in the pile?
6	1/16/2015	<a href="#">Stage 5 Series</a>	K.NBT.1	K.CC.4,5	counting and patterns	What will stage 5 look like?
7	3/24/2015	<a href="#">Shark Bait</a>	K.NBT.1	K.CC.4,5	counting and joining sets through 20	How long is the worm?
8	3/4/2014	<a href="#">Lil' Sister</a>	K.MD.2	K.CC.6	comparing measurements	How much shorter is Lil' Sister than Big Sister?
9	9/1/2015	<a href="#">Bag-O-Chips</a>	K.OA.4	K.OA.5	building fluency through 10	How many bags of chips were missing?
10	5/8/2014	<a href="#">Balancing Numbers</a>	K.OA.2	.	number combinations through	What is needed to make both side of the scale equal? (balance)



# Where can you find PPT, learning intentions, and more ideas?

[www.meaningfulmathmoments.com](http://www.meaningfulmathmoments.com)

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## Meaningful Moments in MATHEMATICS



Welcome! Thanks for stopping by my site. I was inspired to write down my Mathematical musings by several other Math educators who have generously shared their stories with me either through workshops, blogs, Twitter, or through publications and have inspired my love of Mathematics and shaped my practice.

I have taught Kindergarten through Grade Five in both Richmond and now the Surrey School District. This year I have two roles. As an Early Numeracy Teacher, I work in an inner-city school with four amazing primary teachers supporting their students in Mathematics. My other position is as the Changing Results for Young Learners Numeracy Advocate. In this role I work with 31 teachers who are participating in a inquiry-based initiative.

### Tweets by @Barkerjbarker

Jennifer Barker Retweeted



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The goal of a class should be for students to walk away with the love of learning  
[bit.ly/2eLlWAR](https://bit.ly/2eLlWAR)



# Time to plan and play!



Literacy		Numeracy
Understand:		Understand:
<div>Do</div> <div>Know</div>		<div>Do</div> <div>Know</div>
<u>Learning Opportunities:</u>	<b>Book:</b> What content does it address?	<u>Learning Opportunities:</u>



# Teachers – not programs – are central to a student's success.

Allington, 2002; Allington & Johnston, 2002; Langer, 2002; Bond & Dykstra 1997

## Thank you for committing to make a difference for your kids!

