



# Reading Week

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## Bookmark Craft

### Resources:

- Paper
- Scissors
- Felt tips

### Instructions:

- Craft your very own bookmark!
- Start off by very carefully cutting out your bookmark from your piece of paper. (Ask an adult for help)
- You can then decorate your bookmark by drawing patterns, colours and shapes!



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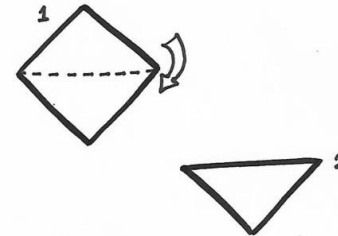


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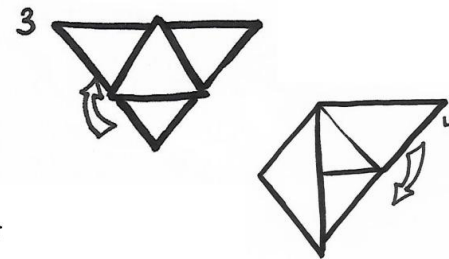


## Bookworm Bookmark

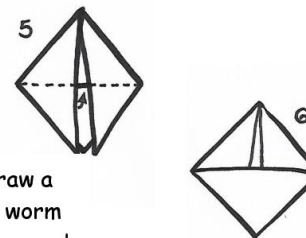
To start with you need a square piece of paper and turn it on its point like diagram 1. Once you have done this fold the top corner down to the bottom corner like diagram 2.



Next fold the top layer of the paper up to the top following the diagram 3, then fold the left and right corners over the top like diagram 4.



Then use the 2 corners you have just folded over and tuck them underneath the flap of paper you created like in diagram 5. Then it is ready for you to decorate.



For the decorations on some paper draw a stack of books and then draw a little worm poking out of the books on the top or round the edge. Colour it in and cut it out, then you can stick it on the front of your bookmark

## Reading Games for Children

### The Treasure Hunt

Start off your child on discovering the magic of reading, by introducing them to the happiness of solving a riddle and getting a prize.

#### What You Need:

- Some paper cards
- Pencil
- Various objects or gifts

#### How to Play:

Rather than turn reading into a chore, let your child start finding out how reading is so integral to any part of their lives.

**Step 1.** Hide their toys or even new ones along with a few chocolates or gifts in different parts of the house.

**Step 2.** About those locations, write down simple clues on a piece of paper. Even a simple line as “where do you water the plants” can be enough.

**Step 3.** Make your child read it out loud, answer it and then find the hidden object.



### Word-Based Snakes and Ladders

Here's a twist on your child's favourite game, by replacing the numbers with easy words.

#### What You Need:

- A snakes and ladders board
- Game-related items
- A felt pen

#### How To Play:

**Step 1.** You can use a pen and write simple words that your child can read on all the 100 squares of the board.

**Step 2.** Play the game just the way you'd play on any other day.

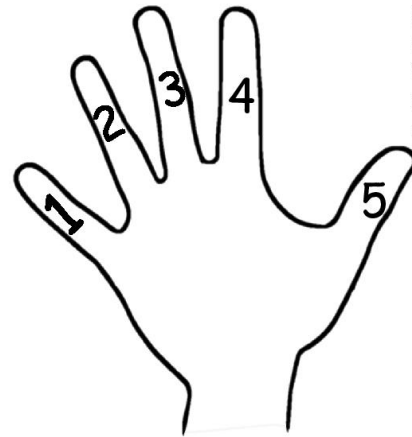
**Step 3.** Your child can count the squares and say the words aloud as he passes them.

*By referencing different areas of the board, your child can learn to scan the words by visual identification.*



## Story Telling Hand

Check out the story telling hand activity below, you can use this hand to help you make up your own story. Why dont you try it for yourself



4- Middle

Now comes the middle, what is your big story line, you need to decide on something that will change or give your characters some adventure. It should be interesting and fun.

### 1- Characters

For the first finger a part of your story you want to think about the characters in your book, who will be the main characters who are the extras, what do they do? You need to think about what your characters will be and look like.

### 2- Setting

For the 2<sup>nd</sup> finger you want to think about your setting/location, where are your characters going to be, will it be out of this world or on a little farm this is for you to decide.

### 3- Beginning

Next you need to decide how you will start the story, what is the beginning? Will it start of happy and simple, or will it start of dramatic with loads happening?

### 5- Ending

Now comes the final bit the ending, you need to think about how you will bring your story to the end, are you going to be able to resolve the issues and have a happy ending or will you end with drama and leave it on a cliff-hanger



*I scream, you scream, we all scream, for ice cream!*

*Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers. A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked*

*If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers*

*Where's the peck of pickled peppers that Peter Piper picked?*

Betty Botter bought a bit of butter.  
 "But," she said, "this bit of butter's bitter,  
 But a bit of better butter mixed with this butter might just make my bit of bitter butter better."  
 So, Betty bought a bit of better butter to make her bitter butter better.

*I saw Susie sitting in a shoe shine shop..*

*Where she shines, she sits, and where she sits, she shines.*

*I saw Susie sitting in a shoe shine shop.*

*Where she shines, she sits, and where she sits, she shines.*

How much wood would a woodchuck chuck, if the woodchuck could chuck wood?

He would chuck, he would, as much as he could,  
 And chuck as much wood as a woodchuck would,  
 If a woodchuck could chuck wood.

If one doctor doctors another doctor,  
 Then which doctor is doctoring the doctored doctor?  
 Does the doctor who doctors the doctor, doctor the doctor the way the doctor he is doctoring doctors?  
 Or does he doctor the doctor the way the doctor who doctors doctors?

She sells sea shells by the seashore  
 And the shells she sells by the seashore are sea shells for sure.

## Reading Activities – Why Reading is Important for Children?

### 1. Improved Writing

By reading better, your child will be able to form sentences correctly and write them easily.



### 6. Infuse Confidence

A child who can figure out things on his own can build his confidence rapidly.

### 2. Improved Grammar

The rules of grammar can be absorbed easily by exposing the child as early as possible to grammatically correct sentences.

### 4. Future Success

Children who can understand what they read can excel in studies quickly.

### 7. Improved Elocution

Reading from the book helps streamline thoughts and be a better orator ahead in life.

### 3. Enhanced Imagination

Reading stories and other articles can stoke their creativity and get their imagination flowing.

### 5. Real Life Safety

The importance of reading safety signs or road rules in the world can be pretty much a lifesaver for your kids in the long run.

### 8. Better Vocabulary

There's simply no other way to improve your collection for words apart from reading as much as you can.