

SPARK LEARNING - Literacy Gr2

Invitation to Learning

These invitations are open ended and designed to take many pathways and last for several weeks.

Questions to guide the experience of reading and responding:

- What can you imagine will be in the story given the information on the cover?
- What knowledge do you have that might help with this topic? [prior knowledge]
- What do you wonder about?
- Record your thoughts in a writing journal. At this age, this would be extending understanding that language has a purpose and a growing comfort in using language to explain, to share and to deepen understanding. These videos may help parents supporting children with writing at home: <https://www.authortoauthor.org/parent-resources-2/>

Resources:

The Forest and the Woodcutter. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jAtelBCt8BU>

A Whale's Tale. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xFPoIU5iiYQ>

Environment Cleanliness: The Friendly Octopus. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FcEEGIwhNt0>

Miss Fox's Class Goes Green. By Eileen Spinelli. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R-UNKPdwpTg>

Rivet:

- This collection is best on a mobile tablet device. Download the app here: <https://rivet.area120.com/>
- You can also use the web version: https://rivet.area120.com/read/?utm_source=rivet_website#/libraryScreen
- Click the yellow LEVEL button that you wish to read to get started (top right).
- Make choices based on what is interesting to you. Some books are a read aloud (speaker icon) and some are read on your own.

Storyline Online: <https://www.storylineonline.net/>

- This collection is grouped into categories or you can search for a topic.
- Select from month Featured Videos; Just Added or All Books.

Monkey Pen: <https://monkeypen.com/pages/free-stories-for-kids>

- These books are downloadable to a device. Scroll through the collection. The cover is a great way to find books that are interesting. It offers information on interest by age and a tiny synopsis of the book.

Storybook Canada: <https://www.storybookscanada.ca/>

- These stories come in multiple languages and multiple readability levels. Besides English and French, this resource supports many of the languages found in Canada.

Story Place. The Children's Digital Learning Library: <https://www.storyplace.org/>

- While this may say preschool, the stories here support language as playful, developmental and come in many forms.