



# WE MAKE BOOKS!

*Stories can be told through play and in pictures and words.  
Listening and speaking helps us explore, share and develop our ideas  
We are all authors and have a story to tell*

## GATHER MATERIALS

- 4 or more pieces of paper - any kind, any size, any colour
- Scissors
- Stapler

Other ideas for binding your book:

- Duct tape
- 3 hole punch
- sticks, string, ribbon or rubber bands

## INVESTIGATE & IMAGINE

- If you don't have a stapler, what other ways can you find to assemble your own book. [Here](#) are five different ideas.

## MAKE AND PLAN

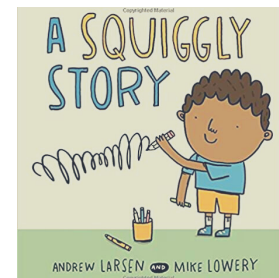
- Choose your paper. You can use blank or lined paper or a mixture of both.
- Figure out how many pages you want. Books for stories should be at least 4 pages or 2 pages folded in half. You will need to make sure you have enough space to draw and write.
- Choose a way to put it together. Using a stapler is the easiest.



## PARENT/CAREGIVER CORNER

Educator and author Matt Glover talks about the benefits of children making books. [Watch](#) how he makes simple books that can be pre-made and used for later writing workshop opportunities.

## GO BEYOND



- Pre make a few empty books to use for later writing projects.
- What other book binding techniques can you find or invent?
- Listen to [A Squiggly Story](#) and write your own story starting with any letter or word you know. Include pictures and your own squiggly lines.