

WE MAKE BOOKS!

Using language in creative and playful ways helps us understand how language works.

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

We are all authors and have a story to tell.



GATHER MATERIALS

- Paper - any kind, any size, any colour
- Scissors
- Stapler

Other ideas for binding your book:

- Duct tape
- 3 hole punch
- sticks or rubber bands

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.

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.

GO BEYOND

- Pre make a few books to use for later writing projects.
- What other book binding techniques can you find or invent?