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Stories can be told through pictures and in words. Everyone can be a reader and can create stories.



GATHER MATERIALS

- Paper or one of your pre made books
- Torn paper (different colours and sizes)
- Writing tool pen, pencil, felt, sharpie, etc.
- Scissors (optional)
- Paint and plastic baggie (optional)

READ AND THINK

Leo Lionni was an artist before he became a writer. In many of his books he uses torn paper to **create his characters**. Listen to some or all of these stories and notice who the main characters are and how they are created.

- <u>Little Blue and Little Yellow</u> (for a fun painting activity look here).
- Frederick
- <u>Swimmy</u>
- Alexander and the Wind Up Mouse
- A Colour of His Own
- Inch by Inch
- The Alphabet Tree

What's your favourite Leo Lionni story? Who is your favourite character? What did you like about this character?

CREATE & SHARE

- Create one or more characters inspired by Leo Lionni. You can draw them or use torn paper. Here is an example.
- Use them as characters in your next storymaking or bookmaking project.

GO BEYOND

- Read along with Let's Make Rabbits.
- With your pencil, make your own "pencil rabbit".
- With your scissors and some scrap paper, make your own "scissor rabbit".