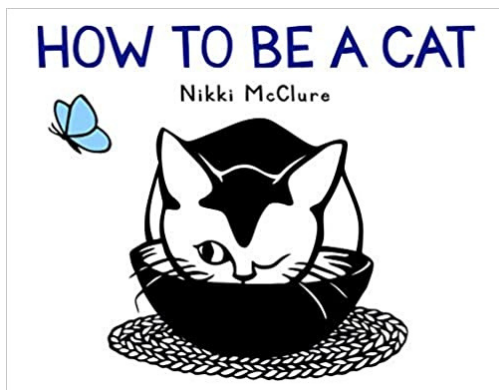


# MAKE A HOW-TO... BOOK

*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 size, any colour or use one of your pre made books that you made last term
- A writing and drawing tool - coloured pencils, pens, crayons, felts, etc.
- A stapler or find another way to put your book together...be creative!

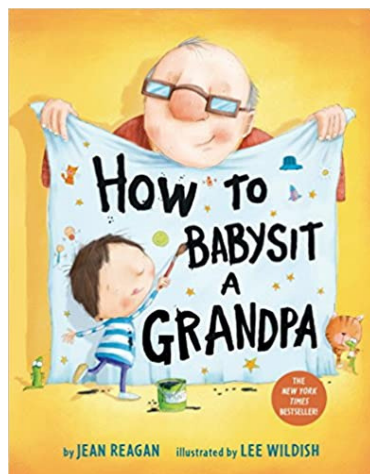
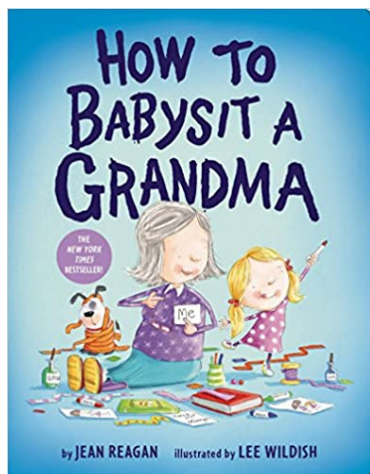
## READ ALONG & THINK

Read along with

- How to Babysit a Grandma
- How to Babysit a Grandpa.
- How to Be a Cat
- Notice how each author organizes their book. Nikki McClure uses detailed illustrations and one descriptive word. Jean Reagan uses titles and lists. Other authors use step by step instructions. For example, "First..., then..., and finally..." Think about how you might write your "How-to" book.

## CREATE & SHARE

- **MAKE** your own "How To..." book. Choose your own topic or create your own similar to these. It's really important to remember yourself doing something and picture it, almost like you're watching a video in slow motion, pausing often to say, "**What exact words describe what I just did?**"
- **DRAW** and **WRITE** what is most important for the reader to know. You may even want to label your pictures to help your reader learn more.
- **READ** your book to someone. Ask them if they could understand and follow your instructions. If not, how might you change some of your drawings or words?



## GO BEYOND

**CREATE** another "How to..." book about your favourite topic or about something you know well. You might write about making a favourite snack like "How to make a peanut butter and jam sandwich" or about how to play a game.

