

## Journeys 2014 Kindergarten Activities

Includes a \$10 discount coupon off your child's Skills Assessment at a Sylvan Learning Center. Sylvan's Kindergarten Reading Readiness workbook will help your child learn the basic skills needed to read in a fun and engaging way. It is full of curriculum-based activities that strengthen an emerging reader's ability to recognize and understand basic words and text. Each activity focuses on a skill needed to become a superstar reader. Why Sylvan Products Work Sylvan Learning Workbooks won a 2009 Honors Award from the National Parenting Publications Awards (NAPPA) as a top book series for children in the elementary-aged category. The NAPPA is the nation's most comprehensive awards program for children's products and parenting resources, and has been critically reviewing products since 1990. The Award recognizes Sylvan Learning Workbooks as some of the most innovative and useful products geared to parents. Sylvan's proven system inspires kids to learn and has helped children nationwide catch up, keep up, and get ahead in school. Sylvan has been a trusted partner for parents for thirty years, and has based their supplemental education success on programs developed through a focus on the highest educational standards and detailed research. Sylvan's line of educational products equips families with fun, effective, and grade-appropriate learning tools. Our workbooks and learning kits feature activities, stories, and games to reinforce the skills children need to develop and achieve their academic potential. Students will reap the rewards of improved confidence and a newfound love of learning.

Have you seen Oliver K. Woodman? You'd know if you had--he's made of wood. And he's on a spectacular cross-country journey. Folks of all sorts guide Oliver along the way and report back in letters and postcards to his friend Uncle Ray. After all, there's a lot of road--and adventure!--between South Carolina and California. Oliver's been spotted truckin' in Texas, riding in a Utah parade, and scaring off bears in the California redwoods. Where will he show up next? Read the letters. Follow the map. And buckle up for a road trip you'll never forget!

Anti-bias education begins with you! Become a skilled anti-bias teacher with this practical guidance to confronting and eliminating barriers.

Two children are swept up in an imaginative quest to save the king and his realm from dark forces when the king emerges from a magical door at the park and presses a map and strange objects into their hands before being captured and disappearing.

When he was a young man, Allen Say's grandfather left his home in Japan to explore the world. He began his journey by crossing the Pacific Ocean on a steamship, then wandered the deserts, farmlands, and cities of North America. Allen Say lovingly tells the story of his own family's cross-cultural history in elegant watercolor paintings that earned him a Caldecott Medal in 1994. This twentieth-anniversary edition of the modern classic features read-aloud audio and an introduction by Allen Say.

"Exciting and engaging vocabulary instruction can set students on the path to a lifelong fascination with words. This book provides a research-based framework and practical strategies for vocabulary development with children from the earliest grades through high school. The authors emphasize instruction that offers rich information about words and their uses and enhances students' language comprehension and production. Teachers are guided in selecting words for instruction; developing student-friendly explanations of new words; creating meaningful learning activities; and getting students involved in thinking about, using, and noticing new words both within and outside the classroom. Many concrete examples, sample classroom dialogues, and exercises for teachers bring the material to life. Helpful appendices include suggestions for trade books that help children enlarge their vocabulary and/or have fun with different aspects of words"--

Preschoolers will have hours of fun with this activity-packed book. There are puzzles to complete, simple mathematics, find objects, alphabets and more . A great way for kids to learn while having fun.

As snow approaches and begins to fall, Moose, Bear, Fox, and other forest creatures prepare for winter.

Follow the journey of families while they complete the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge. Parents/caregivers pledge to read to their children about colors, shapes, animals, cars, nature and adventure with the goal that one day their children will be reading to them.

Like other packages, this one began as an empty box. It was packed with great care, sealed tight, and given a personal touch. Like other packages, it left the post office with hope. But unlike most packages, before it got to its destination... it got lost. Follow one package that loses its way and discover a friendship tale that proves distance can't always keep us apart.

Jump into January - and dance into December with this action-packed adventure that whirls readers through the months of the year Inside are many wonderful things to see, do and talk about with the passing of the seasons.

Healthy Living from the Start is a comprehensive health curriculum that provides the framework for teaching children about health and well-being. Designed to be used throughout the early grades, this book has a flexible format that allows you to customize your health program for use with multiple grades or in a sequential manner from kindergarten through third grade.

Here comes kindergarten! Whether your little reader is gearing up for the first day or making her way through the school year, K is for Kindergarten will help guide them with silly rhymes and fun activities from A to Z.

Each of King Neptune's 50 mermaid daughters boasts a special talent, except for little Minnow, who seems to be good only at asking questions. When she finds a strange object, Minnow follows her questions to a wondrous place and finds answers, including the answer to the most important question of all: Who am I? A gorgeously illustrated story about finding one's purpose.

Give your child a running start into kindergarten! "Deborah helps parents see how simple, experiential, even play-based activities that are easily woven into a child's and parent's

day can help make a difference." - Rae Pica, cofounder of BAM Radio Network: The Education Station and author of *A Running Start: How Play, Physical Activity, and Free Time Create a Successful Child* It's time to prepare your child for kindergarten success! An essential guide to the upcoming school year, *Ready for Kindergarten!* provides you ways to help your son or daughter start off on the right foot. Filled with hundreds of fun activities to practice throughout the day, this book helps you gain valuable insight into your child's capabilities as well as foster the behaviors and skills she needs to have before the big day. From reciting his home address and communicating his feelings to learning how to display good sportsmanship, each activity will boost your child's confidence and set him up for a happy and successful kindergarten experience. With *Ready for Kindergarten!*, you will not only prepare your child for school, but you will also be able to confidently choose an education path that fits his or her needs.

A proven program for enhancing students' thinking and comprehension abilities *Visible Thinking* is a research-based approach to teaching thinking, begun at Harvard's Project Zero, that develops students' thinking dispositions, while at the same time deepening their understanding of the topics they study. Rather than a set of fixed lessons, *Visible Thinking* is a varied collection of practices, including thinking routines?small sets of questions or a short sequence of steps?as well as the documentation of student thinking. Using this process thinking becomes visible as the students' different viewpoints are expressed, documented, discussed and reflected upon. Helps direct student thinking and structure classroom discussion Can be applied with students at all grade levels and in all content areas Includes easy-to-implement classroom strategies The book also comes with a DVD of video clips featuring *Visible Thinking* in practice in different classrooms.

A heartwarming story about the new girl in school, and how she learns to appreciate her Korean name. Being the new kid in school is hard enough, but what happens when nobody can pronounce your name? Having just moved from Korea, Unhei is anxious about fitting in. So instead of introducing herself on the first day of school, she decides to choose an American name from a glass jar. But while Unhei thinks of being a Suzy, Laura, or Amanda, nothing feels right. With the help of a new friend, Unhei will learn that the best name is her own. From acclaimed creator Yangsook Choi comes the bestselling classic about finding the courage to be yourself and being proud of your background. The first book in the acclaimed easy-to-read series featuring Henry and his lovable 180-pound dog, Mudge.

One of the skills developed in preschool is math. This workbook is for counting and object familiarization. Your child will love how information is presented in big, gorgeous pictures. The vibrant colors are very attractive, and the overall activity is quite engaging. Who said learning to count is boring when you have this book around?

Turn your home into a Montessori home—and become a more mindful, attentive, and easygoing parent. It's time to change the way we see toddlers. Using the principles developed by the educator Dr. Maria Montessori, Simone Davies shows how to turn life with a "terrible two" into a mutually rich and rewarding time of curiosity, learning, respect, and discovery. With hundreds of practical ideas for every aspect of living with a toddler, here are five principles for feeding your child's natural curiosity, from "Trust in the child" to "Fostering a sense of wonder." Step-by-step ways to cultivate daily routines with ease, like brushing teeth, toilet-training, dealing with siblings, losing the pacifier. Plus learn how to: Stay composed when your toddler is not and set limits with love and respect—without resorting to bribes or punishment Set up your home and get rid of the chaos Create Montessori activities that are just right for your one-to-three-year-old Raise an inquisitive learner who loves exploring the world around them See the world through your toddler's eyes and be surprised and delighted by their perspective Be your child's guide—and truly celebrate every stage

Simon and Molly were the best of friends, just the two of them. Until Hester moved in. Hester doesn't want to ride the two-wheeler, like they always do; she wants to make paper airplanes instead. And the toast Simon makes for her is too boring; she wants to add cinnamon sugar. Molly happily goes along with all of her changes, but Simon liked things the way they were before Hester moved in. With Hester around, will Molly still want to be his friend? Lisa Jahn-Clough once again captures the complexities of friendship. She deftly explores the children's feelings of insecurity and exclusion, revealing both the hidden motives behind their actions and the keys to their reconciliation. Readers will discover that with a little understanding and compromise, while two is definitely better than one, three can be even more fun!

The adventures of a little boy in the city on a very snowy day. On board pages.

The winner of the prestigious Caldecott Honor, and described by the New York Times as 'a masterwork', Aaron Becker's stunning, wordless picture book debut about self-determination and unexpected friendship follows a little girl who draws a magic door on her bedroom wall. Through it she escapes into a world where wonder, adventure and danger abound. Red marker pen in hand, she creates a boat, a balloon and a flying carpet which carry her on a spectacular journey ... who knows where? When she is captured by a sinister emperor, only an act of tremendous courage and kindness can set her free. Can it also guide her home and to happiness? In this exquisitely illustrated book, an ordinary child is launched on an extraordinary, magical journey towards her greatest and most rewarding adventure of all...

Two toddlers have fun with their puppy.

The Reading With Giggles & Games Learn-To-Read System works in a dramatically effective way because it uses several proprietary learning strategies, in combination, that create an ideal learning state in the mind and body of the student. No other system combines these learning strategies in the same way and no other system has been able to demonstrate more effective learning results. The children are happier, they learn faster and their teachers and parents are amazed at how much more quickly these students learn to read than other students who are taught with other outmoded, traditional teaching methods. When you child starts to recognize letters, numbers and their associated sounds they are ready for the Reading With Giggles and Games program. This wonderful system can help you, as a parent, be much more effective in your mission to help your child to learn to read without the hassle and frustration that often accompanies the process with other traditional learn to read methods.

A little boy joins his father at a construction site

The power and grace of the Atlantic Ocean are beautifully captured in the text and paintings.

Presents the wide variety of wheels, including the many types of vehicles they are used on, what they do, the sounds they make, and who they transport.

While on summer vacation, five-year-old Emily thinks she sees a whale in her garden pond and writes to her teacher, Mr. Blueberry, to ask for advice on how to care for it. Starting with the child's natural language, drawing, and storytelling abilities, offers lessons organized around such topics as writing words, introducing booklets, and assessment. Describes the philosophy of the Daily 5 teaching structure and includes a collection of literacy tasks for students to complete daily.

"A charming and informative story about a pipistrelle bat. . . . Offers vivid descriptions of the animal's flight, its navigational skills, and the hunt for food." – School Library Journal  
Features an audio read-along! Night has fallen, and Bat awakens to find her evening meal. Follow her as she swoops into the shadows, shouting and flying, the echoes of her voice creating a sound picture of the world around her. When morning light creeps into the sky, Bat returns to the roost to feed her baby . . . and to rest until nighttime comes again. Bat loves the night! Back matter includes an index. A Common Core Text Exemplar

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