

DELL-D Literacy Event Activity Sheet



F.U.D.G.E. DAY

Fun books we can read together:

How I Became a Pirate
by Melinda Long

Do Pirates Take Baths?
by Kathy Tucker

Pirate Pete
by Kim Kennedy

I Wish I Were A Pirate
by Ivan Bulloch

Pirates Don't Change Diapers
by Melinda Long

The Night Pirates
by Peter Harris

Pirate Pup
by Caroline Stutson

That's Not My Pirate
by Fiona Watt

On a Pirate Ship
by Sarah Courtauld

Pirates Ahoy!
by Hillary Mekay

A Pirate's Life
by Salina Moon

Tough Borris
by Mem Fox

I Love My Pirate Papa
by Laura Sobel

What we did today:

Ahoy there mates! Today, I really enjoyed all of the pirate activities that we did together! We read "Ah, Treasure!" and then followed the clues to find the buried treasure. I explored until I found the X that marked the spot. Shiver me timbers, the treasure chest was full of pirate booty (that means goods that pirates took from other ships). I had fun digging for a lot of buried treasure. I helped write a sentence that said "I found a gold coin". I also followed the recipe and made a snack. There was even treasure buried in my snack! Like all pirates, I wore a pirate hat. Arrgh! I had fun making a swashbuckling hat. I learned so many words that pirates use, like "scallywag", which means a bad person. I also had a chance to walk the plank, but don't worry I didn't fall into the water! Thank you so much for taking me on this pirate adventure!!

How it helped me become a better reader and writer:

When we signed in and wrote sentences, I learned

- To listen to others
- To hold the pencil
- To write my name and other letters

When we looked for hidden treasure, I learned

- Position words like "above", "under", "left", "right" and "beside"
- To listen to the sounds of words and letters

When we tested items to see if they would sink or float, I learned

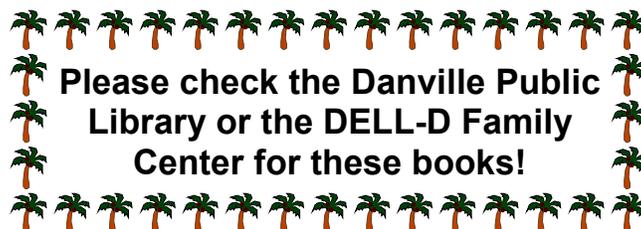
- To make a graph
- To take my turn

When we made a snack, I learned

- To follow directions
- To "read" the strip from left to right
- To see the difference between letters and numbers

When we read stories, I learned

- To look closely at the pictures and words
- To listen to how the story related to the picture
- To think about and guess what would happen next in the story


Please check the Danville Public Library or the DELL-D Family Center for these books!

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Ideas for home:

Let's do more things together!

- Visit a library or the DELL-D Family Center to choose books to read together. Ask your child to find books that he or she would be interested in reading with you!
- Experience new things together. Make a book together, go to the zoo, or read a book about experiences your child may have, like losing a tooth.
- Use the take home activity to talk and learn together.

Let's make a map together!

- Help your child make a map of their favorite room in the house.
- Use butcher paper and big markers to make your map.
- Put the landmarks on your map. You can use small toys, photographs, or Post-it notes of the items to represent the things you want to show on your map.

Help me learn to write words!

- Have your child write his or her name on the map.
- Ask your child to help label things on the map, like "table" or "chair".

Let's tell a story together!

- Provide opportunities for your child to tell about personal experiences. (Has anything like this ever happened to you?)
- Have your child retell simple daily routines, like bedtime or bath time.
- Help your child make up a story (Once there were two pirates and an elephant. Why did the pirates have an elephant?).

Teach me new words, so I have more words to use every day.

- Encourage language by asking questions and listening to your child's comments.
- Ask simple questions about the map (What do you like about this chair?) and elaborate on their answer (It is comfortable and soft, too).

Upcoming Events:

Every Monday night from 5:00 - 6:30 pm at the Danville Public Library come with your child and DELL-D will provide activities and help you find fun books! *Free book on first visit!*

July 31 – Field Trip to the Orpheum Children's Science Museum in Champaign from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Please call 446-1800 ext. 113 to reserve a space on the bus!

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