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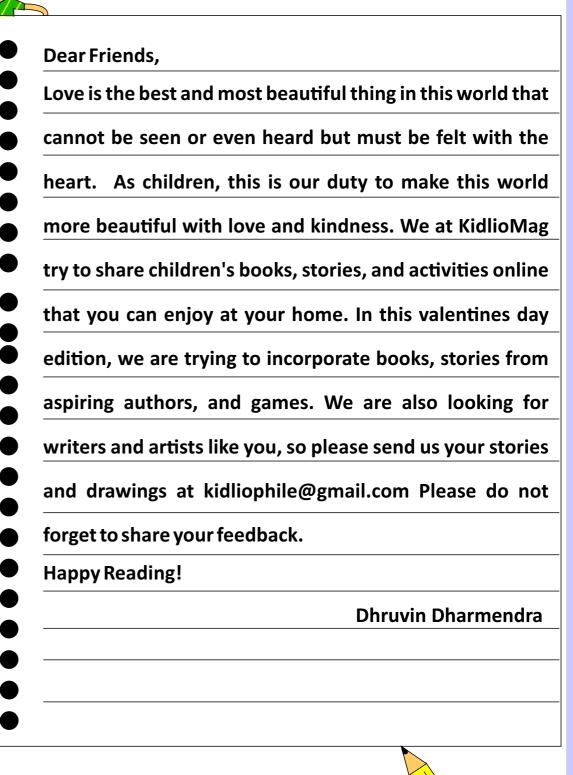


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The Adventures of

Max and Levi

In This Book, Max learns a new way

to handle bully situations at school.

This book will help children build the confidence they need to deal

with bullies and encourages them

"The Adventures of Max and Levi", will be available for pur-

chase on Amazon on February

to stand up for what's right.

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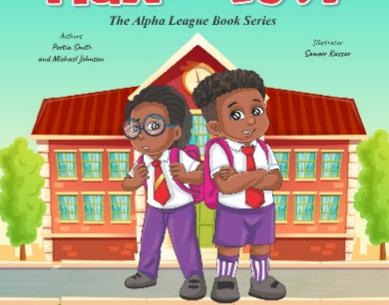
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Portia Smith

Portia Smith is a Licensed Professional Counselor and devoted mother of two. In her spare time, she enjoys arts and crafts. She is also a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha

Sorority, Incorporated. In 2019, Smith founded Imagine Me, Creative Book Publishing and published her first book, "I Know Who I Am."

The Adventures of



Portia Smith And Mike Johnson are the authors and founders of PSMJ books. Collaboratively, they launched PSMJ books as a way to give a voice to the underrepresented heroic characters in kids literature

Book is available on Amazon

Mike Johnson Mike Johnson is a

musician, postal sevice worker, and a

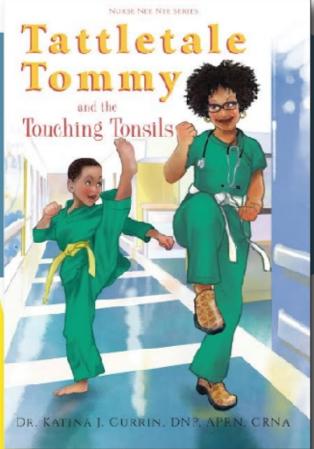
loving father. He is also a recording artist under the stage name "Iyah Wise". In 2020, Johnson created Iyah Music LLC which he serves as main artist, as well as CEO.



Tattletale and the Touching Tonsils Tommy

Tattletale Tommy and the Touching Tonsils is the second book in the series. Tommy is a tattler for sure! While asleep for his tonsillectomy, could he learn to make amends for his tattling behavior? Maybe? Maybe not?

The Nurse Nee Nee Series is a collection of stories aimed to alleviate fear and anxiety in children and parents during hospitalizations related to common childhood procedures. These books are educational for all, and the characters will have you laughing from



beginning to end. Books are available on Amazon



Dr. Katina J. Currin, DNP, APRN, CRNA, debuted the Nurse Nee Nee Series when she identified the need for a comforting read to prepare both children and parents for events leading up to childhood procedures. Her love for storytelling, however, makes her books fun for all readers. Undoubtedly, eyes will be opened to exciting adventures experienced by the characters in her stories. Laced with terminology and insight that will help lessen anxiety and fear surrounding doctor and hospital visits, the author guarantees that readers will build vocabulary and literally skills all at the same time! Katina has practiced as a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA) for over

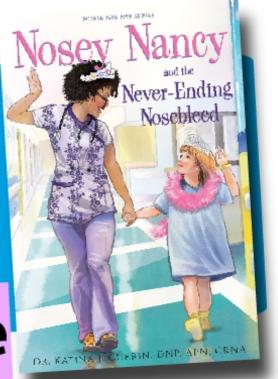
ten years and has taken great delight in caring for pediatric patients. Even in her former practice as a respiratory therapist and critical care nurse, she strived to put children and parents at ease when facing healthcare challenges.

Dr. Katina J. Currin Katina continues to practice as a CRNA in the Metro Atlanta area. When not writing, she enjoys reading, gardening, teaching, traveling, and spending time family. She and her husband, Joseph, live in Smyrna, Georgia.

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The Nurse Nee Nee **Series**

Nosey Nancy and the Never-Ending Nosebleed, is about a nosey little girl who has a difficult time staying out of trouble due to her messy nosebleeds. When Nurse Nee Nee, her friendly nurse anesthetist, promises her a dream while her nosebleed is being fixed, she wakes up without a nosey bone in her body! Or does she?



Unscramble

The Words Related to This Book

Nosey Nancy and the Never-Ending Nosebleed

OTSHPTSEECO

hint: piece of equipment worn around Nurse Nee Nee's neck used to listen to heart and lungs

TSPIAXSIE

hint: bleeding from the nose

UESNREESTTNSATHI

hint: an advanced practice registered nurse such as Nurse Nee Nee

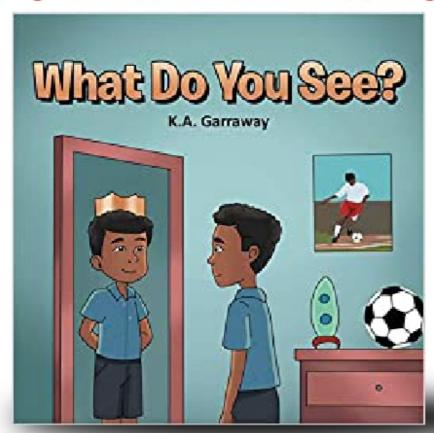
ANEIPIADIRCT

hint: a doctor who specializes in the health of children with more in-depth knowledge about the growth, development, and behavior of small kids.

TTOPTEAUNI

hint: when a procedure does not require overnight stay in the hospital; the patient can go home afterward when awake and drinking fluids and pain level is under control

WHAT DO YOU SEE? BY K.A. GARRAWAY



"What Do You See? is a story about little Cassius discovering what it means to have brown skin. Cassius's emotional turmoil following an encounter with some kids at school leaves him broken, but when he is embraced by his mother's love and strong words, Cassius finds the courage to return to school the next day."

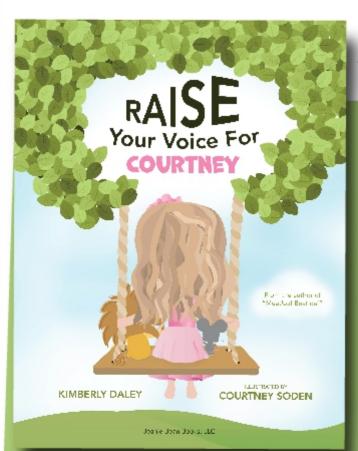
Book is available on Amazon

K.A. Garraway is an author that hails from New York City. The daughter of Jamaican parents, she got her bachelor's degree at Syracuse University and her master's degree from the New York Institute of Technology. As a child, she was fascinated with storytelling, and over the years, this love manifested itself through the experiences of her children and society. When she realized the lack of diversity of representation of the African American experience, she decided to unmask this beauty using different voices.





RAISE YOUR VOICE FOR COURTNEY



Book Name: Raise Your Voice For Courtney

Author: Kimberly Daley Illustrator: Courtney Soden

A heartwarming story about a shy insecure little girl who with the help of an unexpected friend finds the true voice and courage she holds inside!

Her voice was small like her and just a bit too little. What could she do she wandered to get it somewhere in the middle?

Our Voices are something that set us apart and we're all bound to shine when we speak from the **HEART!**

Book is available on Amazon



Kimberly Daley is the author of Meatloaf Beatloaf and many other stories in the works! She has been writing stories since she was a little girl. Kimberly uses her childhood memories, family and furry friends as her inspiration. She lives in New Jersey with the love of her life and aspires to one day become a full time Nomad!

Courtney Soden is the illustrator of Meatloaf Beatloaf. Courtney has always had an interest in bringing stories to life. Meatloaf Beatloaf is Courtney's first illustrated book, but she aspires to continue illustrating children's books. You can visit her online at www.courtneysodendesigns.com.

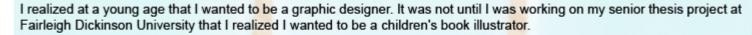


Illustrator Interview Courtney Soden

Q: First tell us something about yourself?

I am a graphic designer through and through. I work in publishing during the day and illustrate children's books for Jeanie Bean Books LLC at night. I have always loved being creative whether it was drawing, using charcoal, painting, or anything else! I knew by the time I was in 8th grade that I wanted to be a graphic designer and I have never looked back.

Q: How and when did your journey started as an illustrator?



Q: When did you illustrate your first story? Is it published or not?

I illustrated my first book, "Meatloaf Beatloaf" by Kimberly Daley when I was in my senior year of college at Fairleigh Dickinson University. I had known Kimberly Daley had tons of stories that she wanted to have published but was timid at first about taking the first steps. We learned together and took everything step by step. I ended up designing the branding behind Kimberly Daley including a website and establishing a social media presence. Part of my thesis project was to also fully illustrate, publicize and publish her first book, "Meatloaf Beatloaf". After that was published, we realized how much we loved working on books together and she created Jeanie Bean Books LLC. We just finished our second children's book, "Raise Your Voice For Courtney" which will be available soon. That being said, we are already in the early stages of working on the next book!

Q: Tell us something more about your books?

Our books fall under the name Jeanie Bean Books LLC. My aunt, Kimberly Daley writes the children's stories and I illustrate them. I also work on the social media and marketing areas of the business. Being that it is family run, the inspiration for both the stories and illustrations comes from memories we have. All of the characters within the stories are based on real people, most being our family members. It allows us to incorporate personal details throughout our stories that we feel make the stories more personable and relatable. When illustrating the stories I rummage through boxes of family photos to gather inspiration for the story and base the characters off of real images.

Q: Why do you choose kids as your reader? is there any specific reason?

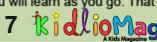
I feel as though illustrating children's books allows more room to be creative and imaginative with the illustrations. The possibilities are endless when it comes to working on the books. When designing the book as a whole, we strive to make it a colorful, enchanting, inviting experience for all age groups, but especially young children. It runs in our family, the love of reading, which does not disclude the love of books when we were younger. That is what sparked the excitement after all for us to embark on our future endeavors. I enjoy creating interactive experiences within the books. Hidden visual elements can be found each time a child reads the book to give a more interactive experience every time the story is read. For example, in "Meatloaf Beatloaf", the adventurous pages all link from one page to the next with visual elements. There is always something new and exciting to find.

Q: How did these stories and characters come to your mind?

The stories are mainly based on family members of ours. When starting a new book I find old photographs for inspiration and create characters based on photos of family members. Kimberly and I always sit down and find what characteristics we want emphasized on the characters.

Q: Do you want to give any message for your readers?

If you have an interest in something, just start now. Even if you do not know all of the answers you will learn as you go. That is one of the best parts of the entire experience, always learning something new





Yuka's Way Home is a story about courage and perseverance, old friends and new ones, as well as fresh beginnings; an educational children's book that is full of exciting adventures and amazing lessons to be learned along the way.

Follow Yuka, a caribou who gets lost, separated from his friends and family after an unexpected accident occurs. While the first instinct is to give in to despair and panic, fate has it that Yuka will end up finding a new home amongst new friends. Things are not as he was used to but are much better than he would have anticipated.

Yuka's Way Home is also a lesson about new cultures, adaptability, and animal conservation. The book is meant to educate children about reindeer, caribou, their similarities and differences, and the Sami culture; this while creating awareness of longstanding practices that are under threat.

Yuka's Way Home is an educational tool that is written with passion and love; a captivating story with professionally done illustrations to talk about a passion for wildlife and conservation and a love for nature and animals. I went to northern Norway, where I met with Sami reindeer herders to create the most authentic story possible, ensuring that my representation of Sami culture was not only accurate and respectful but fun and engaging too!

Heartwarming to both parents and children alike, learn about the importance of caribou and the Sami culture in a fun and wonderful way.

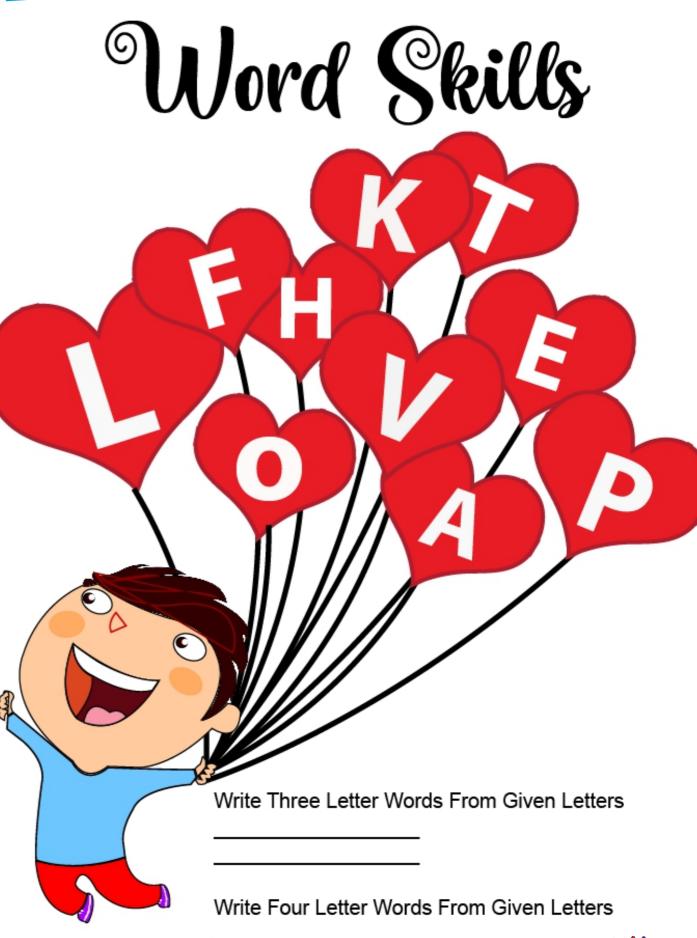
Book is available on Amazon



Activity

Yuka's Way Home Written and Illustrated By Abigail Roscoe

Abigail Roscoe, I'm a Canadian illustrator who's passionate about wildlife and conservation, studying my illustration degree in Europe. When I was a kid, stories about animals and nature captivated me, and I always dreamed of creating something that would inspire a love for nature and animals in others. I am a team member of the Caribou Conservation Breeding Foundation. I want to create more awareness about wildlife through my art by spreading and awareness creating engaging educational material. I aim to create more children's books that combine wildlife education, indigenous representation, and life lessons.



Let's Draw

Brown Skin, Curly Hair, Brown

I Love Being Me

"Brown Skin, Curly Hair, I Love Being Me", is written as a poem to uplift children who experience the pressures of a society that promotes a specific standard of beauty that isn't always relatable. This book was inspired by my niece who has gracefully navigated through her grade school years embracing her culture while developing into a talented musician, athlete, and dancer.

The story is centered around a Nigerian girl who expresses the love and pride she has for her rich African culture from her dad and grandma's side and her African-American culture from her mom and Nana. Learning that these give her the rich heritage and spirit she naturally embodies. By exploring their languages (Yoruba and English) and connecting with her ancestors, she realizes she can be whatever she dreams and believes because of who she already is.

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By Paula Swearingen



Paula Angelique Swearingen

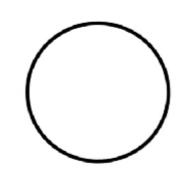
was born in Los Angeles, California. Growing up she was fond of all sorts of books, reading to her baby dolls in a makeshift school house. Later, Ms. Swearingen, who is currently a School Principal in Los Angeles, California, developed a passion for writing children's books. When she is not writing, she enjoys yoga, hiking and traveling abroad.

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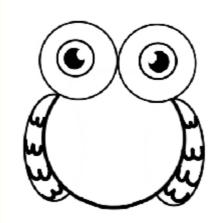
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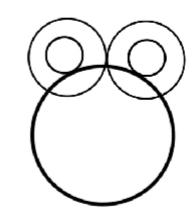
First Make A Circle



Make Wings and Eyes



Draw Circles For Eyes



Make Ears, Beak and Lets Colour...



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MY SUPER GRANDMA!



Markkizaac Mago

Markkizaac Mago is a registered nurse, entrepreneur, and traveler. He co-founded The INK Society for learners, thinkers, and doers who desire to make positive impact to humanity through leadership and collaboration. He also loves to read self-help books, photography, listening to Music, watching movies, playing boardgames and go for new adventures. Follow him on Instagram at @zackyzuchinni.



My Super Grandma by Markkizaac Mago is a children's book about a girl named Zaya who thinks her grandma is a superhero.

Zaya's grandmother on the surface appears to be just like other grandmothers. She bakes dessert for Zaya, she knits Zaya a sweater, she drives Zaya to school, and she helps Zaya with her homework. These are all things grandmothers may do for their grandchildren. But Zaya's grandmother has a secret, she is also a superhero! Zaya follows her grandmother to see her in action. She witnesses her super grandma beat up some dognappers. Her grandmother tells Zaya that she wants her to be a superhero too.

Book is available on Amazon

DOORS

I remember that old door,
The one that used to fling open with the wind.
Grandma would hastily rush to close it.
She always told me how my parents
Would be alive if that evening the door was closed.
We lived in an ancient nook of an anonymous city,
Obscured from the world.
It all seems black and white now.
Very much like a 60s movie that we would watch together
And grandma would ask me to explain the story.

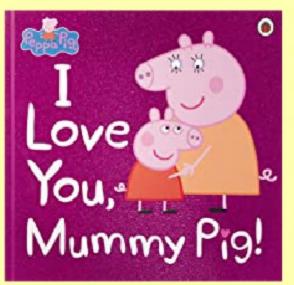
I remember grandma's hands,
They were soft with loose skin but they always held my hand so tightly.
She used to smile and you could see her front teeth were
Half-chipped from falling from a guava tree as a kid.
She used to comb my unkempt hair
Which she called as rough as abandoned wild grass
That used to grow in the jungles of Ranigunj, now a coalfield.
I comb it twice a day now to feel less forlorn.

The bedtime tales she spun always made me laugh
She would clear her throat and say
"The Dark gnaws at this world,
Turning the sky red, ink blue and then black.
Its claws reach for the moon and break it into half.
It knocks on your windows and doors
Creating shadows but never answer.
It whispers insidiously casting spells
That put children to sleep.
Listen closely, and you will hear it.
Hush now or you will have a bad dream."

Now after the indefatigable work,
I come home to empty rooms and microwaved food.
I sit at the window and I look the Dark in the eye
Because I have seen uglier demons
Creep behind me even in broad daylight.
The ticking of the clock makes me dreary.
I leave the bedroom door open behind me
As I climb into bed because claustrophobia is more haunting than ghosts.
Often waking up in the middle of the night,
To find that it is closed.
(Some doors never close.)

By Paridhi Poddar Kolkata India

BOOK RECOMMENDATION



Book Name: I Love You, Mummy Pig!

Publisher: Ladybird

Pages: 32 pages

Description: Peppa and George want to give Mummy Pig a very special day to show her just how much they love her, but things don't always go entirely to plan!

Clever, brave and resourceful Mummy Pig comes to the rescue over and over again in this charming, sparkly picture book.

The perfect read for a snuggly bedtime story, I Love You, Mummy Pig will make the whole family smile.

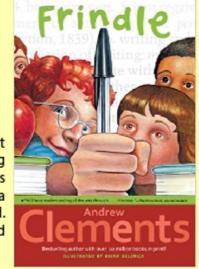
Book Name: Frindle

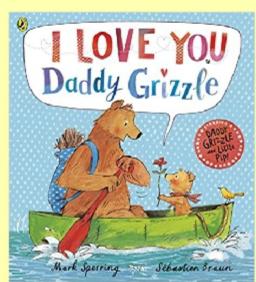
Author: Andrew Clements

Publisher: Simon & Schuster

Pages: 112

Description: Is Nick Allen a troublemaker? He really just likes to liven things up at school — and he's always had plenty of great ideas. When Nick learns some interesting information about how words are created, suddenly he's got the inspiration for his best plan ever...the frindle. Who says a pen has to be called a pen? Why not call it a frindle? Things begin innocently enough as Nick gets his friends to use the new word. Then other people in town start saying frindle. Soon the school is in an uproar, and Nick has become a local hero.





Book Name: I Love You Daddy Grizzle

Author: Mark Sperring

Publisher: Puffin UK

Pages: 32

Description: A follow-up to the gorgeous How Many Sleeps till My Birthday and How Many Sleeps till Christmas.

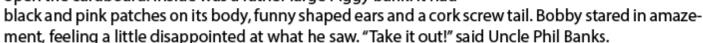
Today is a very special day - if only Little Pip could remember why! With Daddy Grizzle's gentle help, Little Pip works out exactly why today is a day to be celebrated - it's Father's Day! - and they spend a glorious day doing all their favourite things. And the best thing? That's easy - spending time together! A heart-warming story celebrating the relationship between fathers and their children - with a wonderful message.



BY ANGELA HOPE

Five year old Bobby Banks had a birthday party.

His Uncle Phil Banks arrived late and gave Bobby a present, gift wrapped in a box. Sitting around the kitchen table, Bobby's young friends were all watching as he ripped the paper and tore open the cardboard. Inside was a rather large Piggy bank. It had



As Bobby tried to put his small hands around the pig, he and his friends heard a grunt. Shocked, Bobby let go! He tried again and another grunt definitely came from the pig. Bobby took the pig from the box and looked at it.

He had no idea how, or where, the grunt came from.

"This is a special pig." said Uncle Phil Banks. "He tells you when he's hungry.

To feed him you put a coin in the slot on his back." Putting his hand in his pocket he pulled out a coin and give it Bobby. Bobby lifted the pig and as he did so it grunted.

"My pig is hungry!" said Bobby with a big smile. He placed the coin in the slot and listened to it drop. "Whenever your pig is hungry you must feed it a coin. If you do this, you will be very rich when you grow up." said Uncle Phil Banks.

Bobby Banks was delighted with his gift and each time he lifted it and heard the grunt, he said to his mum and dad, "My pig is hungry! Have you any loose change in your pockets?" Luckily Bobby had been given some birthday money from Aunt Tilly, so he had his own supply of food for his hungry pig. All of Bobby's friends wanted to feed the pig, as well as their mums and dads.

On Bobby's 6th birthday Uncle Phil Banks helped Bobby to count the money saved in the hungry pig.

He had enough to buy some sweets and put the rest into a savings bank account. Aunt Tilly put Bobby's birthday money into that account every year when the hungry pig was emptied. What a lucky boy Bobby was to be given such a precious gift for his birthday.





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CREATIVE CORNER



Name: Meghna Nair Age: 8yrs



Name: Shreerama Palaneer Age: 9 Years



Name: Kopal Chauhan Age: 6 Years



Name-Nandini Rastogi Class 10 A



Kavya Kalshetty



Name: Alison Chong Age: 3 years



Name: Siya Age:11 yrs



Name: Dhriti Dhall





Name: Riddhi Gupta Age: 9 years



Madhavi Goel



Name: Tanuj Samaddar Age: 15 years



Name: Dhruvin Age: 10 Years



Siddhi Ghodgaonkar Age: 8yrs



Name: Amaira Age 6 years



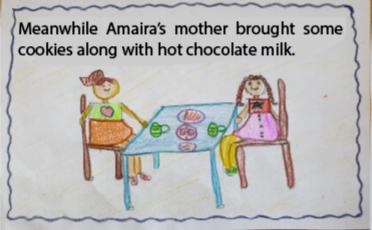




Where shall i put my One day early morning. Amaira Temperature will looked out of the window and drop and she can saw the whole sky was covered with her play with grey clouds. She got very friends in muddy excited because they were stratus puddle.She also put rain gauge outside in clouds and understood that in order to measure rain. some time, rain will start.



hey took swings, sailes their paper boats in muddy puddles. After playing for few hours both got tired and came back home. Then they took a hot shower.



After having snacks both went in Amaira's room and did colouring and solved some puzzles. Then they went out to bring rain gauge inside and measured rain. It was time for Myra to go home so they hugged each other and decided to meet again soon as they enjoyed a lot and learned a lot today. 18 KidlioMag

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