

Little Red Writing
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(Reading level 5-9)

Enjoy reading Little Red Writing and the suggested book with your children.

Suggested Reading:

You Can Write a Story by Lisa Bullard

Things to talk about:

What is brainstorming?

What kind of stories do you like best?

What is the setting of a story?

Why is conflict so important to a story?

What do you need to introduce at the beginning of your story?

What should happen in the middle of your story?

How should you end your story?

Tickle your funny bone time:

What building has the most stories?

The library

What do you get when you throw a million books into the ocean?

A title wave

What do librarians take with them when they go fishing?

Bookworms

Why didn't the thief burgle the library?

Because he was afraid the judge would give him a long sentence

Which hand should you write a book with?
Neither, you should use a pen.

Practice your writing skills by finishing the following story:

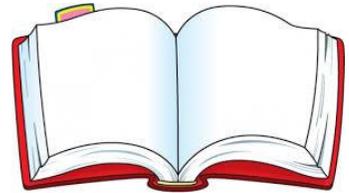
First Day of Vacation

School was over. Summer was finally here! Mom let me sleep in and when I stumbled down stairs I grabbed a bowl of cereal and headed for the T.V. Time for some serious game playing. Just as I picked up the remote, I heard a loud commotion outside. When I opened the door, I couldn't believe my eyes!

Bible verse suggestion: Have children write verse on a page of a book from clipart (search Book clipart) or one they have drawn.

Psalms 45:1

My heart is stirred by a noble theme as I recite my verses for the king;
my tongue is the pen of a skillful writer.



Enjoy a snack while reading from the suggested books:

Snacks Ideas

Book Worms (gummy worms)

String Cheese Pencils

Ingredients

- 1/2-in thick slices of bologna
 - mustard
 - Bugles Corn Snacks
 - raisin
1. For each pencil, cut one end of a cheese stick to make it flat.
 2. Cut a small circle out of the bologna and attach it to the end of the "pencil" with mustard.
 3. Press the end of a Bugle into the other end of the cheese stick, then attach the raisin (either with mustard or by pressing it into the Bugle).



(<https://www.moneywisemoms.com/string-cheese-pencils/>)

Sugar Wafer Pencil Cookies

sugar wafer cookies
white candy melts
red food coloring
small chocolate chips

Cut end of cookie into a point. Melt candy melts, divide. Put a few drops of red food coloring in half to make pink. Dip pointed end of cookie into white candy, other end into pink. Place a chocolate chip on tip.

(<https://www.shakentogetherlife.com/2016/08/back-to-school-sugar-wafer-pencil-cookies.html>)

Suggested Reading:

Once Upon a Baby Brother by Sarah Sullivan

Ralph Tells a Story by Abby Hanlon

Chester's Masterpiece by Melanie Watt

My Weird Writing Tips by Jim Paillot pp. 36-58

SUGAR WAFER pencil cookies



Begin writing and illustrating your own book:

Discuss book ideas. Write, illustrate, and bind books. (search for Simple Book Making for kids)

