



As part of **Creation Station**, your child was encouraged to use pictures as the basis for story-telling. Did you know that some books don't have any words?

Journey is a picture book without words written by Aaron Becker that your child might like to **READ** at home with you as an extension of our day together. You and your child can work together to look closely at the images and construct the story from what you see. Then you can use the lesson plan below to create your own story.

OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Newspaper or magazines
- A Piece of White paper
- Tape or glue
- Scissors
- Markers, crayons or pencils

WHAT TO DO:

Look through the newspaper or magazines together. Point out interesting photographs or images and ask your child to describe what they see. Tell your child that images tell a story, **ASK** them to think about what the story might be.

Sample Questions

- What do you see?
- What word would you use to describe the colors in the image?
- What objects or people do you see in the image?
- How would you describe the objects or people in the image?
- What do you think the story might be?

Try to TELL A STORY—INVESTIGATE & OBSERVE

- Find and cut out a photo or image from the newspaper or magazine that catches your child's attention.
- Glue or tape the image in the middle of the white sheet of paper.
- Draw a square on each side of the image, so that you have 3 boxes (see below). Like in a comic book these three boxes can work together to tell a story.



- Ask them to take the perspective of one of the characters in the image and draw a scene showing what they did before on the left and a second picture showing what happens next on the right.
- After your child has taken some time to create their drawings, ask: Whose perspective did you take? What happened first? What happened next? What details did you find in the image that helped you decide this? Describe your drawing.

TRY IT! HAVE FUN!

INVESTIGATE OTHER BOOK TITLES THAT YOU CAN READ:

The Toledo Lucas County Public Library and the school library are great places to borrow books, videos and games for at home use. Some other books without words (and one without pictures) are:

- 1. Flora and the Flamingo by Molly Idle
- 2. *The Lion & the Mouse* by Jerry Pinkney
- 3. Mr. Wuffles! by David Wiesner
- 4. The Book with No Pictures by B.J. Novak

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