

Cozy Home

Capacity and Perseverance



Learning & Activity Packet 1



Dear Families

Welcome to the Learning & Activity Packet we have prepared to extend the thinking and learning that were explored in our Cozy Corner offering! Cozy Arts believes that learning is something that happens together, and we are excited to learn with you.

In this packet, we explore the themes of capacity and perseverance. As you saw in “Magic Inside,” Max says, “it doesn’t matter if you are big or small, young or old, or if you walk, run, or roll to get around, everyone can do amazing and wonderful things!” Also, Mrs. Flutterby taught us that, “everything in the world is a little more than what it seems.”

Our philosophy of “learning together” is built on the principles of Feelings, Friendship, and Fairness. Growing out of these principles, the activities that we present to you in this packet support the development of crucial social-emotional skills in tangible ways. They also provide concrete connections to other people and to the community, and are oriented towards justice in ways that children can easily understand. If you want to know more about our learning philosophy, please visit [LEARN WITH US](#).

Each Learning & Activity Packet contains arts-based projects, ideas, conversation prompts, book suggestions, and resources - all thoughtfully crafted and collected to support and extend the learning that began with Rory and our other Cozy Corner friends.

Together, we are building a learning community, so please share your input and suggestions about different activities and conversations you have about capacity and perseverance! We also invite you to send us photos and stories of you putting this learning into action - we would love to share them on our website! To send us your ideas and stories, please email them to share@cozyarts.org

On behalf of the Cozy Arts community, I want to thank you for joining us on this journey.

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Faye Dupras
Founder, Artistic Director

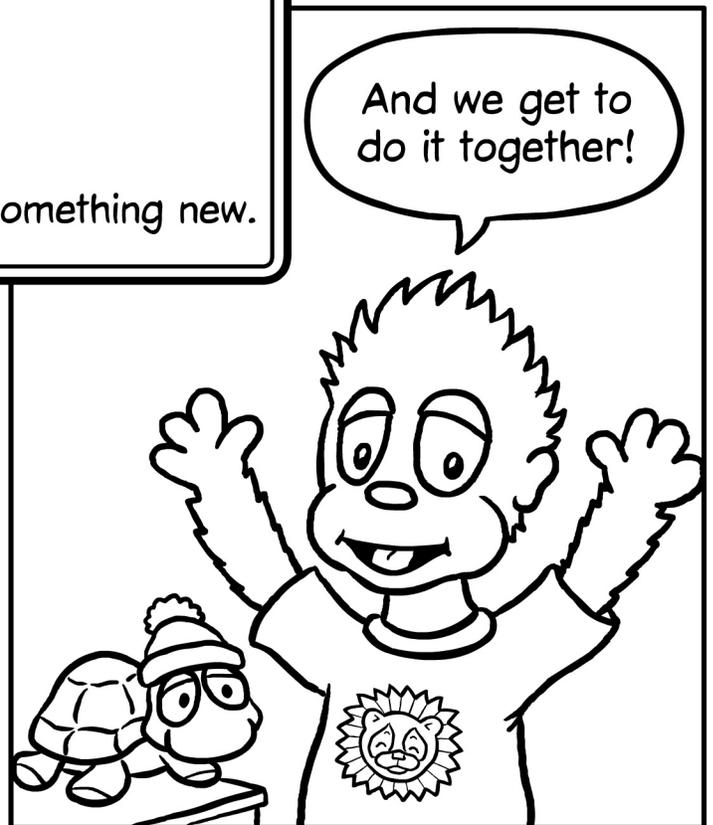
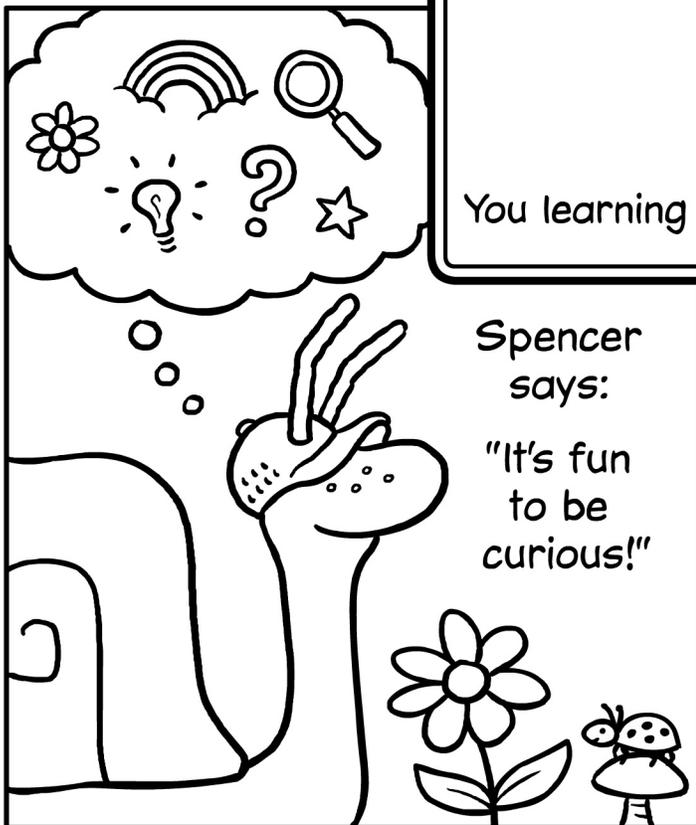
KID'S COZY COMIC!

An interactive letter for children



Draw, write, or describe...

You learning something new.



COZY WORDS

Cozy Corner is informed by the qualities of kindness, empathy, respect, fairness, equity, and trust. The words we use are important and shape the ways in which we behave in the world around us. Here is a list of words you will hear often in Cozy Corner, and our interpretations of them:

LOVE | as a core quality that inspires positive actions and attributes

FRIENDSHIP | an expression of love for others, an infinite resource

CURIOSITY | fuels learning and helps us expand beyond what we know

GENEROSITY | a quality of the heart that involves being present with, and open to, others

WELCOMING | an action of expanding our nucleus of friendship to include all peoples, both familiar and less familiar to us

COMMUNITY | a group of people working together towards common goals

THEME WORDS

CAPACITY | our tremendous ability to adapt, change, and grow.

PERSEVERANCE | trying our best even when things are hard.

WHAT DO YOU THINK . . .

prompts for conversation, drama, and drawing

- How did Rory feel about cleaning the messy room?
- What did Max say that helped Rory give it another try?
- What can you do now that you couldn't do when you were little?
- How did you learn these new things?
- If your friend is having a hard time doing something new, what can you tell them to help?

[Write us a letter](#) with your questions about Cozy Corner and we will write you back!

COZY BOOKS

Working with a team of children's librarians, we've created lists of picture books that support and enhance each of the Cozy Corner episodes. These books represent some of the best in children's literature. Their exciting stories and beautiful illustrations provide opportunities for children and adults to share thoughts, ideas, and feelings.



THE MAGICAL YET

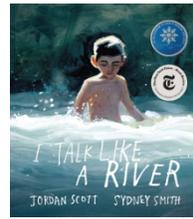
2020

By: Angela DiTerlizzi

Illustrated by: Lorena Alvarez

Ages: 3 – 8

Each of us, from the day we're born, is accompanied by a special companion--the Yet. Can't tie your shoes? Yet! Can't ride a bike? Yet! Can't play the bassoon? Don't worry, Yet is there to help you out.



I TALK LIKE A RIVER

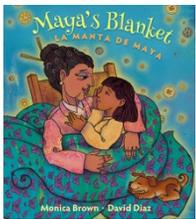
2020

By: Jordan Scott

Illustrated by: Sydney Smith

Ages: 4 – 9

When a boy who stutters feels isolated, alone, and incapable of communicating in the way he'd like, it takes a kindly father and a walk by the river to help him find his voice.



MAYA'S BLANKET / LA MANTA DE MAYA

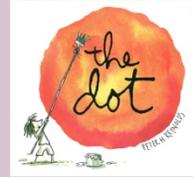
2015

By: Monica Brown

Illustrated by: David Diaz

Ages: 4 – 8

Inspired by the Yiddish folk song *Hob Ikh Mir a Mantl* (I Had a Little Coat), this delightful story puts a child-focused, Latino spin on the tale of an item that is made into smaller and smaller items. *Maya's Blanket* charmingly brings to life this celebration of creativity, recycling, and enduring family love.



THE DOT

2003

By: Peter Reynolds

Ages: 4 – 8

Vashti can't draw - she's no artist. To prove her point, Vashti jabs at a blank sheet of paper to make an unremarkable and angry mark. "There!" she says. That one little dot marks the beginning of Vashti's journey of surprise and self-discovery. -- A delicate fable about the creative spirit in all of us.



MEL FELL

2021

By: Corey Tabor

Ages: 3 – 7

Readers will delight in turning their book sideways and upside down to follow Mel on her journey from downward fall to triumphant flight in this tale of self-confidence and taking a leap of faith. -- Sometimes, you might fall down, down, down, before you learn to fly up, up, up...



ONE PLASTIC BAG

2015

By: Miranda Paul

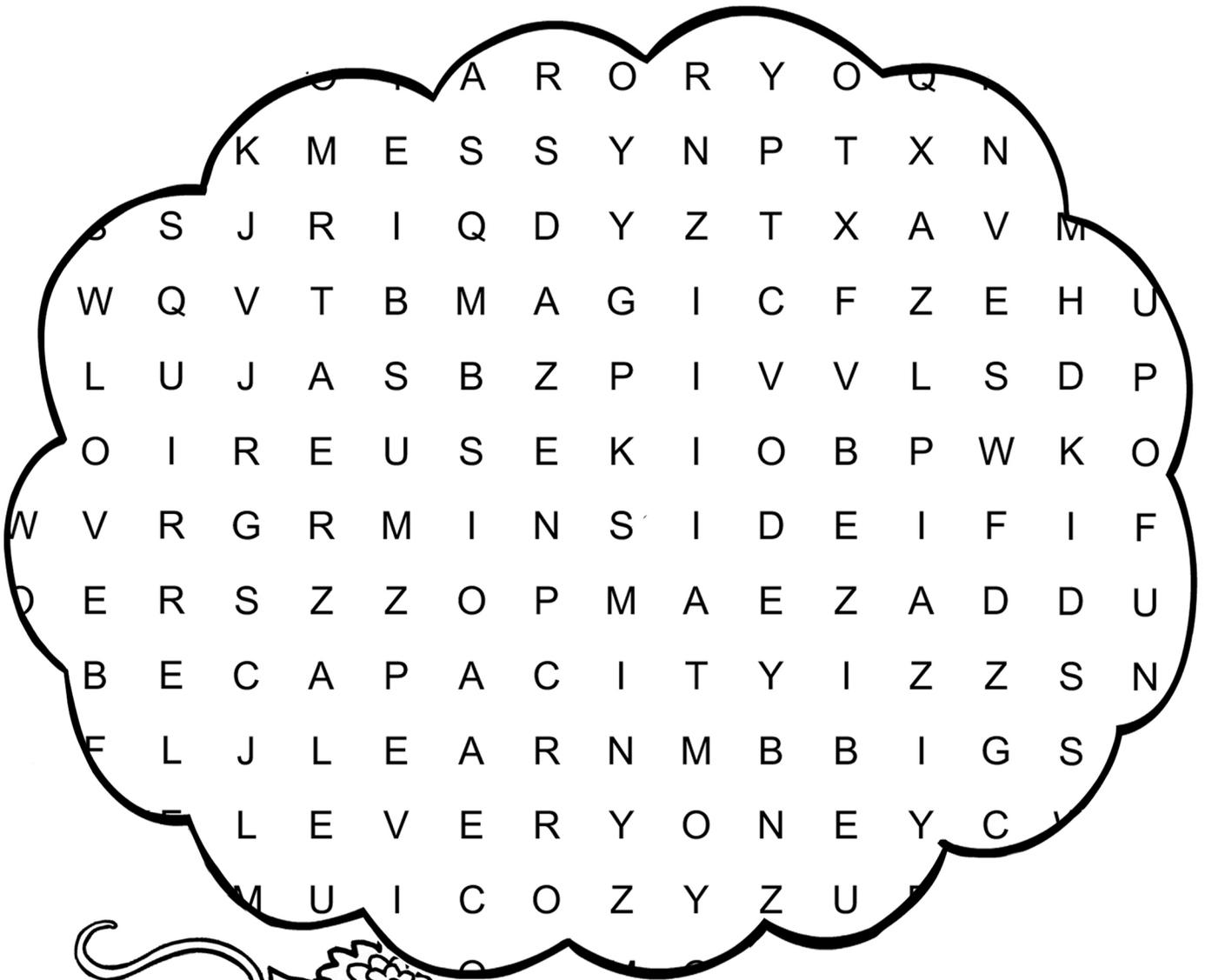
Illustrated by: Elizabeth Zunon

Ages: 4 – 10

The inspiring true story of how one African woman began a movement to recycle the plastic bags that were polluting her community. -- Plastic bags are cheap and easy to use. But what happens when a bag breaks or is no longer needed?

While each book has a suggested age range, we recommend that you read a book before sharing it with your family. A specific book may not be suitable for all children.





MESSY
EVERYONE
BIG
INSIDE
CAPACITY
REUSE
MAGIC
LEARN