



# LEARN Literacy<sup>™</sup>





# What is LEARN Literacy?

LEARN provides summer and after school staff an easy-to-use, evidence-based, literacy enrichment curriculum that combines diverse award-winning book collections with engaging, hands-on, interactive learning activities.



# What are the benefits of LEARN?

- Boost Literacy
- Engage Learners
- Build Staff Capacity
- Increase SEL
- Embrace Diversity
- Go Beyond More of the Same

- Relationship-centered
- Culturally Relevant
- Standards Aligned
- Award Winning Books
- Evidence-based
- Screen Free

## 1 Positive Human-centered Learning

LitART features strategies that enhance the classroom community and support relationship-based learning. Human interactions, more than technology, are the foundation for literacy learning.

## 2 Standards-aligned & Embedded SEL

LitART integrates social emotional learning into literacy and math activities. LitART employs cooperative games, art projects, performance activities, planning strategies, goal setting, and guided reflection to foster a growth mindset.

## 3 Diversity & Award Winning Books

LitART provides collections of award-winning, high-interest fiction and informational texts organized into compelling themes. The book selections feature characters, events, and information that reflect a range of cultures, communities, and experiences.

## 4 Addressing the Needs of Special Populations

LitART leverages strategies shown to be effective for addressing the unique needs of all learners. LitART has been used successfully with a variety of populations such as students with identified learning challenges, those who have fallen behind, English Learners, migrant families, and in urban and rural communities.

### 5 Proven Evidence-based Success

LitART trains staff to use evidence-based teaching and learning strategies proven to be effective. According to Harvard University, "LitART activities are created to increase reading and writing skills, engage learners, and build a love for reading."

## 6 Best in Class Training & Professional Development Options

LitART's fun, practical, strategy-driven professional development ensures your staff can implement LitART with a high level of fidelity, are inspired to teach, and can consistently engage all learners - especially those struggling in school. LitART offers inperson, live webinars, and on-demand training opportunities.

### 7 Flexible Customized Partnerships

LitART makes sure your program plan matches your goals, students, staff, schedule, training needs, and budget. Whether you are planning to provide literacy enrichment everyday or a few times a week we can help you create the perfect plan.



# What does LEARN include?

- Teacher Leader Guides
- Student Response Guides
- Staff Training & Support
- SIMPLE Assessments
- Book Collections





## Each Theme Delivers 16-20 Hours of Literacy Enrichment

- Teacher Leader Guides
- Student Response Guides
- Book Collection
- SIMPLE Assessment
- Additional Resources (e.g., word cards, standards, quizzes)



### **Activity Options**

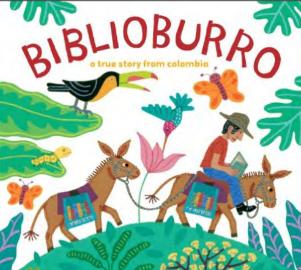
- Opening Magic
- Daily Tone
- Reading Map
- Q10
- Creative Response
- Literature Response
- WERD Writing
- Word Collection
- Active Recreation
- Closing Ceremony

## 10 Activities Per Guide

opening Magic



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Reading MAP

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ACTIVE! Recreation

Word (ollection & Games



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WERD Writing

Literature Response



## Sample Schedule

Time	LitART	LEARN	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
5	*	Opening Magic	Back to Back	Pete Prefers	Echoes	Find the Sound	Favorite Replay
5		Daily Tone	Rhyming Riddle	Word of the Day	Rhyming Riddle	Phrase of the Day	Comics & Jokes
20	ó 'o.*	Reading MAP	Anansi the Spider	It's Mine!	Fox and His Friends	Fox and His Friends	Venn Book Comparisons
10	?10	Q10	Quiz Show	One True Thing	Running Questions	Stump Me!	LitQuiz
10	words Co	Word Collection	Word Performances	Word Trading	Mixed-Up Words	Word Pointing	WordPlay & WordGames
10		Text Response	Character List	Character Wanted	Character Chart	Character Interview	Name That Character
10	Ÿ	SEL Creative Response	Fruit Alphabet	You're the Best!	Clothes Alphabet	Name Five Favorites	Favorite Replay
10	n	WERD Writing	Banana Opinions	Best Dessert	School Opinions	This or That, Dog or Cat?	Oral Presentations



## Who uses LEARN?

- After School All Stars
- Boys and Girls Clubs
- YMCAs
- School Districts
- City Parks and Recreation
- 21st CCLC Programs



# What themes & books are in LEARN?

- Friends & SEL
- Legends & Tales
- Peace & Heroes
- Celebrating Diversity
- STEM
- Culture & Community



#### Grade 1-2



**Anansi the Spider** 



It's Mine



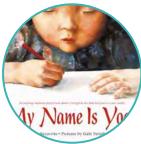
**Swimmy** 



Goggles



The Grouchy Ladybug



My Name is Yoon



**Fox and His Friends** 



Rabbit & Robot: The Sleepover

## **Theme 1**Getting Along



Getting Along

Grade 1-2



#### Grade 3-4



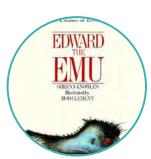
A Color of His Own



Alexander and The Terrible, Horrible No Good...



Donavan's Word Jar



**Edward the Emu** 



**Giraffes Can't Dance** 



**Mice And Beans** 



The Name Jar



Keena Ford and The Field Trip Mix-Up

## **Theme 1**Getting Along



Getting Along

Grade 3-4



#### Grade 5-6



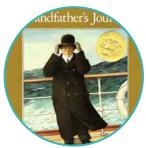
Abuela



**Frederick** 



**Because Of Winn-Dixie** 



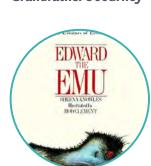
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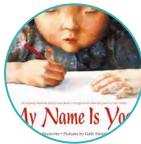
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**The Library Card** 



**Edward the Emu** 



My Name is Yoon

## **Theme 1**Getting Along



Grade 5-6



#### **Grade 3-4**

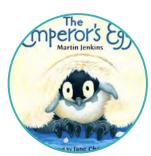




Edgar Allan Poe's Pie Biggest, Strongest, Fastest



Alvin Ho: Allergic To...



The Emperor's Egg

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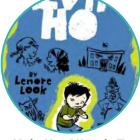
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**A Hippopotamus** 



Time Warp Trio: Tut, Tut





**Chickens Aren't** the Only Ones



Grade 3-4

Theme 4

**STEM** 



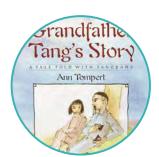
#### Grade 5-6



The Reason for a Flower



**Desert Voices** 



**Grandfather Tang's Story** 



**Math Curse** 



What Do You Do When...



Chickens Aren't the Only Ones



**Bud, Not Buddy** 



**Inside Out and Back Again** 

## Theme 4 STEM





#### Grade 1-2

# Vera B. Williams HAIR FOR MY MOTH

A Chair for My Mother



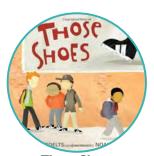
Last Stop on Market Street



Feast for 10



A Letter to Amy



**Those Shoes** 



My Name is Yoon



**Wagon Wheels** 



Hill of Fire

## Theme 17 Celebrating Diversity



Grade 1-2



Grade 3-4



**Teammates** 

Wings



Bat Boy & His Violin



**Smoky Night** 







**Ben's Trumpet** 



**Donavan's Word Jar** 



**Keena Ford** 

### Theme 17 **Celebrating Diversity**





#### Grade 5-6



**Chicken Sunday** 



**Tar Beach** 



**Bud Not Buddy** 



**Cherries and Cherry Pits** 



**Aunt Harriet's Underground** Railroad in the Sky



**One Crazy Summer** 



**Magic Trash** 



**Grandma's Records** 

### Theme 17 **Celebrating Diversity**





Grade 7-8

## Theme 17 Celebrating Diversity







Ghost



#### Grade 1-2



Amelia's Road



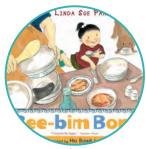
A Birthday Basket for Tia



**Abuela** 



Nino Wrestles the World



**Bee-Bim Bop** 



**Handa's Surprise** 



Ling & Ting Not Exactly the Same



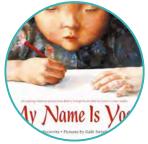
**Luke on the Loose** 

## Theme 18 Culture & Community





#### Grade 3-4





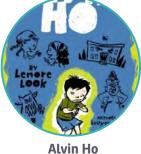




My Name is Soon

Mama, Do You Love Me





The Old Man and His Door The Name Jar







Isla



My Name is Maria Isabel

**Grandfather Tang's Story** 

## LitART **LEARNLiteracy**\* **THEME 18** Culture & Community Grade 3-4

Theme 18

**Culture & Community** 



#### Grade 5-6



Abuela's Weave



When the Beat Was Born



**Esperanza Rising** 



Funny Bones Sr



The Tequila Worm



**Ruby's Wish** 



Harlem

## Theme 18 Culture & Community





Grade 7-8

## Theme 18 Culture & Community





**Brown Girl Dreaming** 





# How much does LEARN cost?

• \$250 per theme (average cost)

We create a custom quote for you based on your program plan and needs.



# "Reading is fun!"

Your Students, Soon



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Celebrating Diversity

Grade 3-4

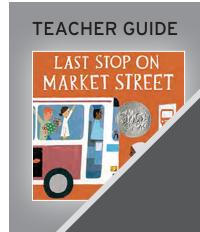




# Last Stop on Market Street

by Matt de la Peña

Every Sunday after church, CJ and his grandma ride the bus across town. But today, CJ wonders why they don't own a car like his friend Colby. Why doesn't he have an iPod like the boys on the bus? How come they always have to get off in the dirty part of town? Each question is met with an encouraging answer from Grandma, who helps him see the beauty - and fun - in their routine and the world around them. This energetic ride through a bustling city highlights the wonderful perspective only grandparent and grandchild can share, and comes to life through Matt de la Peña's vibrant text and Christian Robinson's radiant illustrations.



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### DAILY PLAN

□ Opening Magic	
☐ Daily Tone	
□ Reading MAP	
□ Q10	
☐ Creative Response	
☐ Literature Response	
☐ WERD Writing	
☐ Word Collection	
□ Word Game	
☐ Recreation Activity	
□ LitQUIZ	



# Opening Magic

#### Number Bus

#### **PURPOSE**

Students name and count animals or people on a bus.

#### **PREPARING**

Gather the materials.

#### DOING

- Let's all stand in a circle.
- We're going to count and name passengers on a bus.
- We'll start with one and count up.
- For example, I might start by saying "There is one orange cat on the bus."
- Then the next person might say, "There is one orange cat and two happy babies on the bus."
- Keep adding numbers and passengers as we count up.
- Each person will use the next number in the sequence and add a new set of passengers.
- You also have to remember all of the passengers that have already been said.
- How high can we count?

TIME - 5 MIN.



#### **GROUPING**

All

#### **MATERIALS**

None



# Daily Tone

**PHRASE** 

# "the silver lining"

#### **QUESTIONS**

- What is silver?
- What is lining?
- What might silver lining be?

#### INTERPRETATION

The silver lining is a positive thing in an otherwise negative situation.

#### **EXAMPLE**

My best friend is really good at finding the silver lining in any situation.

#### TIME - 5 MIN.



#### **STEPS**

- Write it.
- · Read it.
- · Think about it.
- Turn & talk.
- Share, one or none.



# Reading MAP [Multifaceted Activity Plan]



#### **BEFORE**

#### **MOTIVATION**

Have you ever ridden a bus?

#### **BRIDGE TO TEXT**

CJ rides a bus in this story.

#### **SET PURPOSE**

Find out where CJ is going.

#### **DURING**

#### **PARTICIPATION STRATEGY**

Read Aloud

The leader provides a fluent, expressive reading of the story.

### **AFTER**

Let's explore the story more with follow-up activities.

#### TIME - 15 MIN.



#### **GROUPING**

Small

#### **MATERIALS**

• Book

#### WORD COLLECTION

- 1. vibrant
- 2. freedom
- 3. sigh
- 4. tune
- 5. lurch
- 6. pluck
- 7. rhythm
- 8. stray



# Q10 [Comprehension Questions]

#### **QUESTIONS**

- 1. Who does CJ ride the bus with?
- 2. Who is Mr. Dennis?
- 3. Why does CJ feel sorry for himself?
- 4. Why does CJ close his eyes?
- 5. How does CJ feel while his eyes are closed?
- 6. What does CJ give the guitar player?
- 7. What does CJ see when they get off the bus?
- 8. Where are CJ and his nana going?
- 9. Why is CJ glad that they came?
- 10. What do you think is the moral or message of this story?

#### TIME - 10 MIN.



#### **STRATEGY**

· What Happened?

#### **STEPS**

- · Read a paragraph.
- Summarize the key information from the paragraph.
- 1. What is the setting?
- 2. Who is in the scene?
- · 3. What action takes place?
- "In this paragraph, we learn..."



#### **RESPONSE PAGE**

▶ Q10



# Creative Response

### Word Rainbows

#### **PURPOSE**

Students make rainbows using words in different colors.

#### **PREPARING**

Gather the materials.

#### DOING

- You're going to make a word rainbow.
- Start by brainstorming a list of words.
- If you need help, pick a topic such as "friendship" or "sports" and then write down all of the words that you can think of that are related to that topic.
- Once your list is very long, choose a few colors to make your rainbow with.
- Write the words from your list in different colors and an arc shape in order to create a rainbow.
- We'll hang the rainbows around the room.

#### TIME - 15 MIN.



#### **GROUPING**

Individual

#### **MATERIALS**

- Paper
- Crayons or markers



# Literature Response

#### Sketch It

#### **PURPOSE**

To explore literary elements.

#### **PREPARING**

*Gather the materials.* 

#### DOING

Every story has a setting. Identify the setting and provide at least three details about it. Include the details in your sketch.

#### TIME - 15 MIN.



#### **GROUPING**

Individual

#### **MATERIALS**

- · Response pages
- Writing utensils



#### **RESPONSE PAGE**

▶ LITERATURE RESPONSE



## WERD Writing [Write. Explore. Read. Discuss.]

#### **PURPOSE**

To develop student writing ideas, strategies, and skills.

#### **PREPARING**

Write out the prompts and distribute materials.

#### DOING

- I'm going to read the prompts aloud.
- Turn to your partner and tell them what you're going to write about.

Provide 10 minutes to write and then facilitate sharing.

#### PROMPT OPTIONS

- 1. On the bus...
- 2. Tell about a time that you heard good music.

TIME - 15 MIN.



#### **GROUPING**

Partners

#### **MATERIALS**

- Response pages
- Writing utensils



#### **RESPONSE PAGE**

**▶** WERD WRITING



### Word Collection

#### **PURPOSE**

To build vocabulary skills.

#### PREPARING

Create a word set on index cards for each small group.

#### DOING

- I'm going to give each of you a word card.
- Trade your card with someone else by saying "My word is \_\_\_\_\_ and it means \_\_\_\_\_." Exchange cards.
- We'll begin when I say, "The trading floor is open." Cover the definitions midway through the trading session.
- Stop when I say, "The trading floor is closed."

#### WORD COLLECTION LIST

1. Vibrant

Full of life and energy

2. Freedom

Able to do whatever you want

3. Sigh

Letting out a long, loud breath

4. Tune

To make something sound right

5. Lurch

To make a sudden sideways or forward motion

6. Pluck

To pinch and release with your fingers

7. Rhythm

The beat or pattern of something

8. Stray

Lost or without a home

#### TIME - 5 MIN.



#### **GROUPING**

Small

#### **MATERIALS**

- Index cards
- Word Collection response pages
- · Writing utensils

#### **STRATEGY**

Word Trading





### Word Game

### Rhyme Time

#### **PURPOSE**

To build language skills.

#### **PREPARING**

*Gather the materials.* 

#### DOING

Find rhyming words for these words from the story. Score 1 point for each of the first four words you find, 5 points for the fifth.

TIME - 10 MIN.



#### **GROUPING**

Individual

#### **MATERIALS**

- · Response pages
- Writing utensils



#### **RESPONSE PAGE**

**▶** WORD GAME



# Recreation Activity

#### Get on the Bus!

#### **PURPOSE**

Students compete in teams to pick up and drop off all of their passengers first.

#### **PREPARING**

Divide the class into teams.

#### DOING

- Line up in your teams.
- The first person in line is the bus driver for your team.
- When I say "go," the bus driver will run a lap around the playing area and come back.
- They'll pick up the second person in line, and together they will run another lap around.
- Then they'll come back for the next passenger.
- Keep circling the playing area and picking up passengers until your whole team is on the bus.
- Then drop them off back to where your team was lined up one at a time.
- The first team to pick up and drop off all of its passengers first wins!

#### TIME - 15 MIN.



#### **GROUPING**

Teams

#### **MATERIALS**

None





# LitQUIZ

Students are asked to circle the best answer to each question.

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- A. His grandmother.
- B. A friend.
- C. He rides by himself.



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- A. He is CJ's father.
- B. He is the bus driver.
- C. He is a guitar player.



How does CJ feel about riding the bus?

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- B. He feels bored on the bus.
- C. He feels sorry for himself.



What does CJ feel when the music is playing?

- A. Boredom.
- B. Magic.
- C. Fear.



What does CJ see in the sky above the soup kitchen?

- A. A rain cloud.
- B. A rainbow.
- C. An airplane.



#### **RESPONSE PAGE**

▶ LITQUIZ



Student Response Pages

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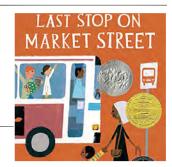




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Q10



Use the text to answer each question.

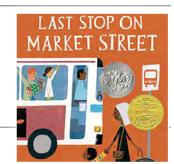
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# Literature Response



### Sketch It

#### **DIRECTIONS**

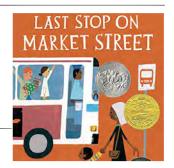
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SETTING	
SKETCH	



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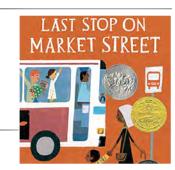
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# Word Collection



For each word, provide the meaning as it was used in the text or write the phrase from the text where the word appeared. Mark whether you wrote the Meaning (M) or Context (C).

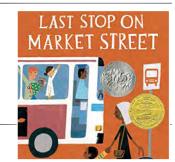
Word	Meaning or Context	M or C?
vibrant		
freedom		
sigh		
tune		
lurch		
pluck		
rhythm		
stray		



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## Word Game



### **Rhyme Time**

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Find rhyming words for these words from the story. Score 1 point for each of the first four words you find, 5 points for the fifth.

	RHYMES WITH » SIGH
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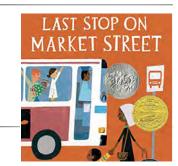
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