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Parenting Resources

Telling Your Family's Stories

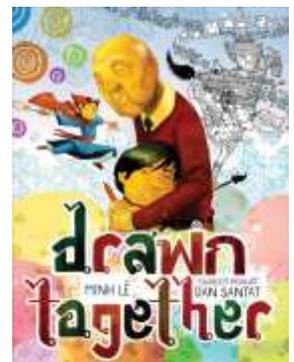
- Kids are naturally inquisitive, and "[Every Child Is a Journalist](#)" from PBS Parents encourages adults to capitalize on the need to question as a critical form of communication. The article shares tips on how to help children dive for details to tell fuller stories about their lives and understand their world.
- Adapt the ideas in this [Reading Rockets article](#) to encourage a family-based storytelling project that builds relationships and improves literacy skills. Children have the chance to explore cultural heritage, make generational connections and share histories.
- Everyone gets into the act when participating in this [family puppet show](#) activity. Decorate paper lunch sacks to create puppets that resemble family members and use them to make up songs or stories about the family.



The Librarian Recommends...

[Drawn Together](#) (written by Minh Lê; illustrated by Dan Santat)

Communication comes in many forms, and the grandfather and grandson in this beautifully illustrated book cross language and generational barriers to form a bond through their common love of drawing. What begins as a forced family visit evolves into an artful celebration of creativity, storytelling and family. --*Susi Parks Grissom is a retired elementary school librarian and counselor.*



STEAM Activities & Games

[Treasure Hunt with the Cat in the Hat](#)

Teach your children spatial words and concepts (over, under, behind, etc.) by hiding a treasure in the house or yard and creating a list of clues like "under the chair across the room from the TV" to help them find it. The game becomes a storytelling activity when children describe how the hunt went from their perspective.



The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About That! airs on KERA Channel 13 at 1 p.m. and on KERA Kids Channel 13.2 at 8 a.m.

Get Up & Go! Art & Seek Activities for Families

[Arts Season Kicks Off With Family Fun](#)

This week's [Art&Seek Jr.](#) features theater, art and ballet season openings across North Texas that are loaded with kid appeal. Also check out the free interactive zoetropes at Fort Worth's Burnett Park for out-of-this-world family fun!



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