Fun books we can read together:

- The Big Sneeze by Ruth Brown
- The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle
- Bugs by Nancy Winslow
- The Very Quiet Cricket by Eric Carle
- Grouchy Ladybug by Eric Carle
- Spider’s Web by Barrie Watts
- Butterfly and Caterpillar by Barrie Watts
- Rose in My Garden by Arnold Lobel
- Where Does the Butterfly Go When It Rains? by May Garelick
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
- Bumble Bee by Barrie Watts
- A House of Leaves by Kiyoshi Soya

Going to the museum!

Going places with your children allows them to experience new things, which help them learn more about their surroundings and become even better readers!

Here are some tips on what to do at the museum:

- Talk about what your child may see at the museum. (“What do you think we will see when we get there?”)
- Point out things you think your child will like.
- Have your child describe what they see. (“I saw a large black bug with hairy legs”)
- Let your child try to read the labels and signs in the museum.
- Encourage your child to connect what is in the museum to your child’s everyday life. (“Remember, your favorite book is about spiders. Where else did we see a spider?”)
- Take brochures home and talk about them together. (“When we went to the museum do you remember what we did?”)
- Have your child tell someone about what is at the museum.

The Orpheum Children's Science Museum is located at 356 N. Neil Street in downtown Champaign, IL. For more information, visit their website: http://www.m-crossroads.org/orpheum/

How it helped me become a better reader and writer:

When we read stories, I learned
- To look closely at the pictures and words
- To listen to how the story related to the picture
- To think about and guess what would happen next in the story

When we signed in and wrote sentences, I learned
- To listen to others
- To hold the pencil
- To write my name and other letters

Please check the Danville Public Library or the DELL-D Family Center for these books!
Let’s do more things together!

- Visit a library or the DELL-D Family Center to choose books to read together. Ask your child to find books that he or she would be interested in reading with you!
- Experience new things together. Make a book together, go to the zoo, or read a book about experiences your child may have, like losing a tooth.
- Use the take home activity to talk and learn together.

Let’s go to the library together!

- Talk about what your child can do at the library before going there. (“We can listen to stories at the library”).
- Have your child choose a book on a topic they really enjoy.
- Have your child help you find things at the library. (“I really need help finding a magazine. Would you help me find one?”).

Let’s go to the grocery store together!

- Make a grocery list with your child before going to the store. Have your child draw one or two things your child wants and help your child write the words under the picture.
- At the store, help your child read the grocery list and find the items.
- Point to and read signs for the food your child likes to eat. (“This sign says M-I-L-K, what do you think that spells?”)

Let’s go to the zoo together!

- Ask open-ended questions about the animals (What can elephants eat?).
- Encourage your child to talk about animals in everyday life (“Where else did we see a snake?”).
- Ask your child simple questions about animals (“Do the monkeys have long tails?”).
- Help your child write a short story about going to the zoo.

Upcoming Events:

Every Tuesday night beginning in September DELL-D will have Library Nights from 5:00 - 6:30 pm at the Danville Public Library. Come with your child and DELL-D will provide activities and help you find fun books! Free book on first visit!