



Share a book everyday to create a reader for a lifetime!



Title: The Paperboy

Author and Illustrator: Dav Pilkey

Book Summary: While the whole neighborhood is still asleep, the paperboy prepares the newspapers and sets out on his route with his faithful dog by his side.

Before Reading, *use the following conversation starters to engage your child's interest in the book.*

To stimulate your child's interest, ask your child to look at the picture. Use open-ended questions to encourage him/her to talk about the paperboy's neighborhood and his/her own neighborhood.

To develop book awareness, talk with your child about what the words "author" and "illustrator" mean. Explain that this book was written and illustrated by the same person.

During Reading, *use the following ideas to keep your child actively engaged in the book sharing.*

To develop social-emotional skills, discuss with your child how the boy's life is different from his/hers. But also discuss the similarities between the boy and your child. Children come from all different families and cultures. Talking about these differences and similarities helps develop respect for others.

To work on vocabulary, discuss new words your child may not be familiar with as you read together. For example— garage, snapping, route, pedal, and growling.

After Reading, *use the following activities to extend your book sharing experience.*

To develop book awareness, share a newspaper. Talk with your child about reading from left to right and turning the pages. Create a time and place every day to make book sharing a part of your routine.

To encourage dramatic play, encourage your child to act out what s/he would like to do as a job. Would your child like to be a chef, a teacher, an architect, a vet, or a store clerk?

To stimulate creativity, provide your child with paper and crayons or paint. Ask your child to write and illustrate a story about what s/he does in a day. Talk with him/her about what happens in the morning, the afternoon, the evening, and at night.

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