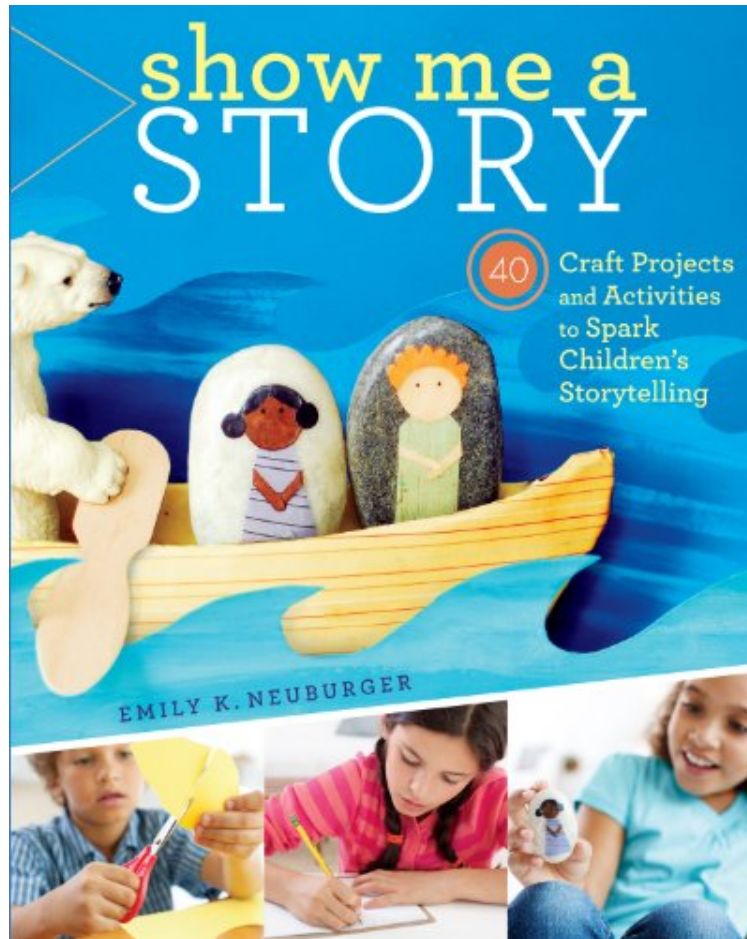


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before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Show Me a Story: 40 Craft Projects and Activities to Spark Children's Storytelling:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Full of wonderful ideas! By Sarah B. I really love this book! I am a stay at home mom of two small children and this book has given me a lot of great ideas. My oldest is only three, so some of the projects are a little advanced for her, but I am sure we will give them a try when she is older.. Still, there are a lot of things we can do from the book even at her young age. Also, it is full of so many wonderful photos and illustrations that even my one-year-old enjoys browsing the pages. I think this book would be great for a teacher, as there are so many projects and activities that would be fun for larger groups. Many nice ideas for sparking creative writing, dramatic play, and creative thinking in general. Really this book is a treasure - I see our family utilizing and

enjoying this one for many years to come.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Inspiring and engaging.By AnnaThis instantly interested my (electronics obsessed) son who is extremely difficult to engage. He flipped through it on his own, found materials he needed on his own, and made one of the projects on his own on a day I was feeling ill and resting in bed. He has shown a lot of excitement for this book which isn't typical for him.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy shoppersusyInspiring book - recommend especially for Grandmas and Grandpas who want to engage beyond mere storytelling. Great instructions!

Encouraging children to let their imagination run wild, Emily K. Neuburger offers 40 inventive projects and activities that will inspire kids ages 5 to 12 to express themselves through storytelling. Younger children will love making story stones and a storytelling jar, while older kids will open up and thrive as they embark on guided story walks and inspiring journaling exercises. Sparking creativity while developing a child's love of language, *Show Me a Story* will kindle a lifelong passion for both writing and telling original stories.

From School Library JournalThis collection invites children between the ages of 5 and 12 to create stories about their everyday lives and imaginings. Divided into four sections ("story starters," "story evolution," "story activities," and "story play"), the book provides a variety of projects to make and use. Each one includes a list of materials, clear step-by-step instructions, teaching tips, and other ideas that can be adapted for younger or older children. Bright photographs feature boys and girls engaged in each activity. Story prompts painted on wooden disks and worn as necklaces; a pretend neighborhood created with wood, paper, and craft foam; a story terrarium in a glass jar; and a traveling puppet theater with tongue-depressor puppets are among the projects. A reference desk game provides information, a time-line mural promotes sequencing, and word lists inspire characters and settings. Outside activities encourage children to observe and think like storytellers, and their stories-whether written or told-come together. With binoculars and treasure maps from their adventure kits, they can experience the stories they have created. Back matter includes templates and puppet-theater backdrops. Public and school libraries will want this rich, innovative craft book in their collections.-Mary Jean Smith, formerly at Southside Elementary School, Lebanon, TN(c) Copyright 2011. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted. Best Picks winner in Dr. Toy's 2012 Best Children's Products Program