Week 3 – Common Threads

This week we explore the elements of fantasy and magic in children's literature. Reading to your child a little every day promotes healthy brain development and a love of reading. Let your public library help you find great reads for your child. You can put books on hold from our website straight from your phone; when they are ready for you to pick up, you will receive a call or text depending on how your account is set up. See page 6 for details.

Make It: Magic Wand (Wood and ribbons enclosed)



You will need:

- Large draft sticks (a skewer is used in the picture, but you can also use sticks from outside or even a pencil
- Markers or Crayons
- Strips of paper and/or ribbons in a variety of colors
- ▲ Tape or glue

Color your craft stick with markers or crayons. Glue or tape the ribbons to the end of the stick. Now you have a magic wand!

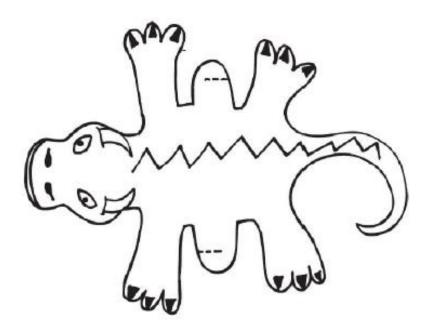
Book suggestions, these are available from library

- Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J. K. Rowling
- Midnight for Charlie Bone by Jenny Nimmo
- Upside Down Magic by Sarah Mlynowski
- Draw Magical Pictures by Katy Jackson
- Magic Spell by Julie Paschkis
- Magic Tricks with Coins, Cards, and Everyday Objects by Jake Banfield

Learning sleight of hand tricks can provide your child with a cottage business of performing at birthdays or neighborhood parties and earn them some extra money. For more extensive lessons, see the library's Facebook page for tutorials from Anderson's own Tim Sonefelt.

> https://www.facebook.com/andersonlibrarysc/ https://www.timsonefelt.com/

Imagine a Dragon Everyone knows what a dragon looks like, or do they? Imagine your own dragon and draw it here. It can be any color. It can have two legs or four. It can have wings, breathe fire, be enormous, or not! This is your dragon.



Dragon Finger Puppet Decorate the dragon finger puppet with crayons, markers or glitter Cut it out. Wrap it around your finger and tape it closed.

"Dragon" book suggestions, these are available from the library:

- Dragons in a Bag by Zetta Elliott
- Sehold The Dragons by Gail Gibbons
- The Dragons are Singing Tonight by Jack Prelutsky
- A Friend for Dragon: Dragon's First Tale by Dav Pilkey
- Three Tales of My Father's Dragon by Ruth Gannett
- How to Train Your Dragon series by Cressida Cowell

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READ IT: MYTHICAL CREATURE JOKES

Share some of these jokes with your family, then write your own!

Q: What do you call a wizard from outer space? A: A flying sorcerer! Q: How does a dragon see at night? A: With a knight light.

Q: What should you say to a two-headed dragon? A: Goodbye!

Q: What do you get when a dragon sneezes? A: Out of the way!

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Book suggestions on Egypt, these are available from the library:

- The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan
- An Egyptian Tomb by Meredith Hooper
- The Egypt Game by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
- The Secrets of Tutankhamen: Egypt's Boy King and his Incredible Tomb by Patricia Cleveland-Peck
- Hatshepsut: His Majesty Herself by Catherine Andronik

Anagram Solutions					
Mummy	Hieroglyphics				
Pyramid	Scarab				
Cartouche	Egyptian				
Pharaoh	Crocodile				
Acropetal	Papyrus				

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