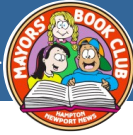


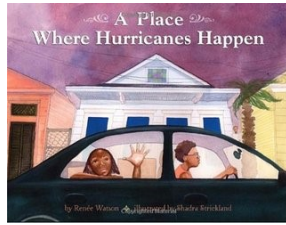
Mayor's Book Club Newsletter



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The Mayor's Book Club is pleased to present our Book-of-the-Month for May:



A Place Where Hurricanes Happen By: Renée Watson



BY RENÉE WATSON • ILLUSTRATED BY SHADRA STRICKLAND

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Did You Know?



This month's story is ***A Place Where Hurricanes Happen*** by **Renée Watson**. This story explains what life is like in New Orleans, Louisiana—from the joyful times with family and friends to the devastating loss of Hurricane Katrina.

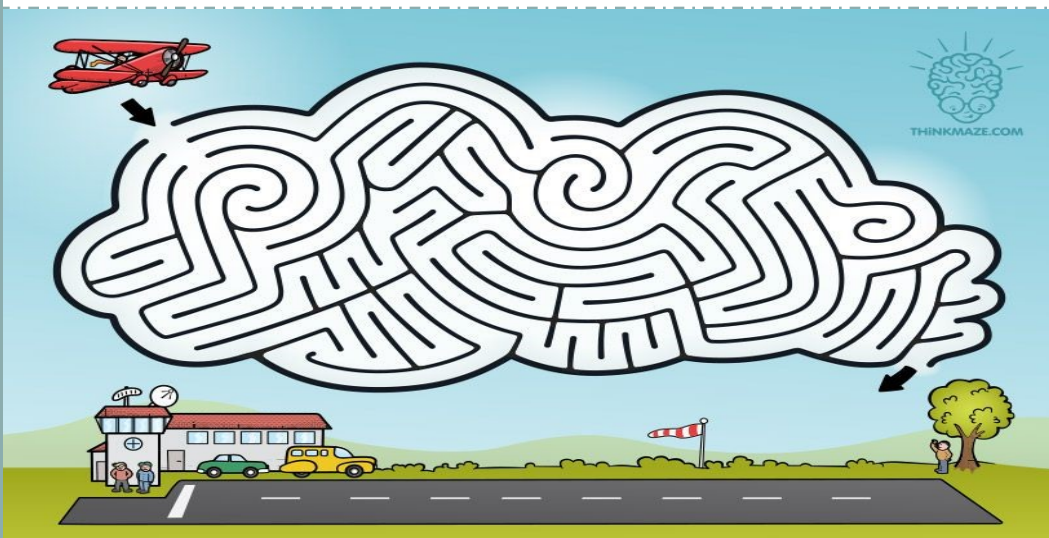
It's Fun and Easy!

A Place Where Hurricanes Happen by Renée Watson is a book that highlights culture, food, music, and relationships. It also displays the hardships of living in an area that was distressed by a hurricane.

Tip #1 – *A Place Where Hurricanes Happen* is a story with many different characters and viewpoints. You and your child can take turns reading the various characters or you can create voices for each of them as you read to your child.

Tip #2 – The devastating losses from Hurricane Katrina were difficult for the characters in the story. Reading this book provides the powerful opportunity to share how you and your family may sympathize or empathize with the characters. If you can understand a hardship or relate to one, reflecting together as a family can be a great way to converse about the story.

Tip #3 – This is a fantastic book for discussion. New Orleans, like many cities, has a rich culture and way of life. Can you and your child recall some of the characters' favorite things? What are some of your ways of celebrating community and culture?



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Let's Learn VERBS



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1. I ___ happy! 😊
2. You ___ scared.
3. He ___ small. 🌟
4. She ___ surprised. 😲
5. It ___ brown. 
6. We ___ young.
7. You ___ tall.
8. They ___ old. ★
9. Jack ___ brazilian.
10. The dog ___ black.

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Hampton parks to enjoy with your family.

Mill Point Park
100 Eaton Street
(757) 727-6348

Gosnold's Hope Park
901 Little Back River Road
(757) 850-5116

Bluebird Gap Farm
60 Pine Chapel Road
(757) 825-4750

Sandy Bottom Nature Park
1255 Big Bethel Road
(757) 825-4657

Buckroe Beach and Park
100 S 1st Street
(757) 848-1068



BOOK PICKS

Ways to Make Sunshine
by Renee Watson

How Full Is Your Bucket?
For Kids
by Mary Reckmeyer and Tom Rath



Find the weather words

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| W R E W O H S E V C L O U D S | BLIZZARD | SLEET |
| X G P G D R A Z Z I L B B J E | CLOUDS | SNOW |
| L J I B T Q E P S T O R M B B | DRIZZLE | SQUALL |
| H U M I D N F L O O D Y M R N | DROUGHT | STORM |
| W R D R O U G H T Y T D E D H | FLOOD | SUNSHINE |
| X I G K R Q E L Z Z I R D S E | FROST | THUNDER |
| S C E V T S O R F J V L U L A | HAIL | TORNADO |
| N M W R L I A H O U M N I S T | HEATWAVE | WIND |
| O H U R R I C A N E S G O W W | HUMID | |
| W T S A C R E V O H H D M R A | HURRICANE | |
| T H U N D E R D I T A S A P V | LIGHTNING | |
| T S S B L E N N N N L I H V E | MIST | |
| C N I G S I E I R E N L J L I | OVERCAST | |
| G D H M W P N O E M X I U W Q | RAIN | |
| J A K E F G T T L S Q U A L L | SHOWER | |

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