

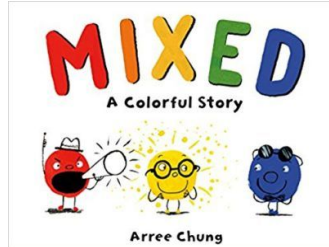
Reading Newsletter

Edison District October 2018

Book of the Month

Grades K-2

This is the story about what happens when Red declares his superiority to Blue and Yellow. The colors, and readers, will all learn an important lesson about appreciating differences.



Grades 3-5



When Lewis comes to stay with his uncle, he expects to meet an ordinary person. But he is wrong. Uncle Jonathan and his neighbor, Mrs. Zimmermann, are both magicians. Lewis is thrilled. At first, watching magic is enough. Then Lewis experiments with magic himself

and unknowingly resurrects the former owner of the house: a woman named Serenna Izard. It seems that Serenna and her husband built a timepiece into the walls—a clock that could obliterate humankind. And only the Barnavelts can stop it!

Website of the Month

<http://www.abcyia.com/>

Children can listen to short stories read aloud to them as they follow along with the highlighted text. ABCYal has a variety of educational games in addition to the featured stories. Free resources and materials are available for grades K-5.



Strategy of the Month: Questioning

Good readers ask themselves questions before, during, and after reading to better understand the author and the meaning of the text.

If the reader is curious about answers, they continue reading. Sometimes these questions are answered directly in the text, and meaning is clarified. Clarifying questions can be about characters, setting, events, problem: who, what, when and where questions.

Other times, answers to readers' questions are not found directly in the text or don't have a simple answer. They ask how and why. The reader needs to use prior knowledge to draw conclusions and go beyond the words of the text to find the answer. These questions make the reader wonder, and wondering means the reader is using their mind and experiences to make sense of the the text.

Encourage your child to ask puzzling questions and discuss stories together. These conversations will enrich the reading experience for both you and your child.

Question Stems:

- ◆ What do you think....?
- ◆ Why is this happening?
- ◆ Why did this character....?
- ◆ How would you feel if....?
- ◆ I wonder.....
- ◆ What is the author saying?
- ◆ How might....?
- ◆ How do you know....?



Reading Challenge of the Month

Let's have some fun with reading!

Read one of your favorite books under the covers with a flashlight



