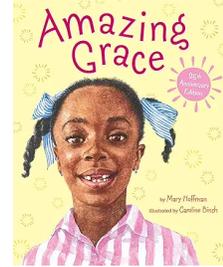


Unit 1: Our Community

**Week 3**

Dear Families,

We are continuing to build our classroom community and understand how communities work. In this week's book, ***Amazing Grace***, by Mary Hoffman, Grace loves to hear and play out stories. She learns about her role in her various communities.



This week, try some of the activities below with your child. You can use the back of this page for drawing, writing stories, or anything else you'd like to share. Please help your child return the sheet to school at the end of the week. We hope you enjoy learning together.

<p><b>Go outside / Bring the outside in</b> Find stores that sell food and different restaurants. Talk with your child about the kinds of food you can find in each place.</p>	<p><b>Shared Reading</b> Find the poem on the back of this page. Read it aloud a few times and ask your child to chime in or repeat some lines back. Talk about what the poem means.</p>	
<p><b>Talk about it</b> What agreements have we made in our classroom? Talk about the agreements we have made in our classroom and why we need them.. What is a rule that is easy to follow? Is there a rule that is hard to follow? Why?</p>	<p><b>Read together!</b> at least 20 minutes every day</p>	<p><b>Play with math ideas</b> <i>Coming soon!</i></p>
<p><b>Explore science and engineering</b> <i>Coming soon!</i></p>	<p><b>Play with sounds to grow a reader</b> Say a word aloud. Ask your child: <i>What <b>sound</b> do you hear at the beginning of this word?</i> Then say three more words that begin with the same sound (not letter). Try these words: <i>itch (/i/), up (/u/), toy (/t/)</i>  <i>IMPORTANT: When you see these: / /, make the <b>sound</b>, don't say the letter.</i></p>	

*Please turn the page over.*



**This week's poem**

Read the poem aloud a few times.

**My Name**

Everybody has a name.  
Some are different,  
Some, the same!  
What is new to you  
Is familiar to me.  
We each have names  
Special to our family.  
I like my name,  
It's nice to me.  
I am exactly who I want to be!

Use this space to make a drawing, write down a story, or share any adventures you have had together. The other children in our classroom community will love to know about them! You can also use this space to write a note to the children or teachers in the classroom.

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Response**

Who tried the Family Links activities together this week? \_\_\_\_\_

Which activities did you enjoy? Was any activity very challenging? Why?

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