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Here are the four activities you can use immediately.

(From Pat Miller, www.patmillerbooks.com)

Making the Red Dog Book Care Canine The instructions are from Capstone Publishers, www.capstonekids.com/make-stuff/fold-it/floppy-eared-dog.html.

Use this after you have read *Clifford the Small Red Puppy* to teach it how to behave. Then extend the metaphor to their hand as they train it to “go to the corner” when they turn the page. Use this with Card 3.1 in [Library Brain](#).

Storytime Ritual Song by Pat Miller

(Class acts out the actions with you before you read the story.)

Use this with the story box on [Card 2.3](#).

Sometimes my hands are by my side,
Then behind my back they hide.
Shake them fast, shake them slow.
Shake them high (use a high voice),
Shake them low (use a low voice).
Now they're quiet as can be (cross hands on lap),
Mrs. _____ will read to me!



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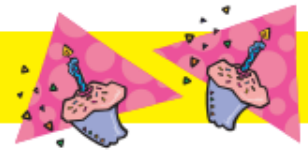
and

Frog-O-Matic Answer machine.

Birthday Book Club Letter



Join Our Birthday Book Club!



Let us help to make your child's birthday extra special while you help us build our library collection.

Detach, complete, and return the form below as soon as possible with a check for \$_____ (or cash). A few days before the big event, your child will be asked to select a book from our library collection to be his or her birthday book and will be recognized on the appropriate date.

Summer or holiday birthday? Tell us your child's birth date and the un-birth date you'd like to select for the celebration.

Your child's name goes on our Library Wall of Thanks as soon as we receive your payment, so early payments are encouraged.

Here are some of the ways we will create a birthday fuss over your child:

- Announce your child's birthday on our televised news program and display his or her photo on the weekly school screen saver.
- Each birthday person will receive a special book bag and bookmark.
- Your child's name will be posted at the library entrance for all to see.
- A bookplate inside the book will announce your child's birthday for years.



Return this form with your check made to _____ or cash in the amount of _____. You may pay well in advance, and we will see to the arrangements on the appropriate day.

Name on bookplate: _____

Date of birth: (month/day/year) _____

Preferred celebration date if different from DOB: _____

Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Thank you so much for letting us be involved in your child's celebration!

Librarian



Directions for Frog-O-Matic

Use different colored papers to make a Groundhog-O-Matic, a Dog-O-Matic, a Prez-O-Matic (president book), etc. depending on the nonfiction you're reading.

1. Take an 8 ½ by 11 sheet of paper. Fold the long sides so that they overlap, making three equal sections.
 2. Without unfolding, fold the narrow paper in half with the flap **outside** the “V” that you will make.
 3. You next want to form the letter “M”. Fold the first flap down so that the point of the V under it touches the middle of the flap. Turn over and repeat.
 4. “Pooch” open the ends of the “M” legs so that you can slip your first three fingers in one end, and your thumb and pinky in the other.
 5. Make the Frog-O-Matic hop=agree, roll over=disagree, hold still=don't know.
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Questions for *Why Frogs Are Wet*



Make these statements before reading ***Why Frogs Are Wet*** by Judy Hawes. Children respond with their Frog-O-Matic answer machine. (or thumbs up=agree, thumbs down=disagree, thumbs horizontal=don't know) **Do not reveal the answers.** Students will listen for them as you read.

1. Frogs were here on Earth before people. (True-they have been on Earth for millions of years).
2. Frogs can live in water and on land because they are relatives of fish that could walk. (True)
3. A frog is an amphibian, a Greek word for double life. (True)
4. Frogs breathe through their skin and with their lungs. (True)
5. here are nearly 900 kinds of frogs. (False—there are more than 2,000)
6. Frogs shed their skin often and eat it. (True)
7. Some frogs live their entire lives in water. (True)
8. Frogs hibernate in the winter. (True)
9. Male frogs sing and female frogs scream. (True-Frogs were some of the first animals to have a voice.)
10. Frogs eat insects, dead or alive. (False-They will starve rather than eat dead bugs. If it doesn't move, they won't eat it.)