



Collect leaves and sticks.



**More Than a Stick**  
Is it a stick? No! It's a  
magic wand!

Now add some glue to make  
something new!



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# Let's Get Ready to Read!

Dear Parents and Educators,

Get ready to spark a lifelong love of reading! This guide will help you fully utilize the Fresh Air Fun book, which is part of the We Love to Read! leveled readers series. These books are designed to actively engage and entertain young readers while helping to build comprehension, improve fluency, and enrich vocabulary.

With the Fresh Air Fun book, the reader will explore some of the fun things they can make outdoors in the fresh air. The Providing Instruction section offers suggestions for before, during, and after-reading activities. Extension ideas to expand learning are also included. Activity sheets and two assessments provide opportunities to reinforce and assess reading comprehension skills.

## Awesome Advice

- Remain positive and encouraging—make reading fun!
- Set up a cozy spot for reading.
- Model fluency when you read.
- Encourage the child to point to each word as they read it.
- Use the correct vocabulary for the parts of the book (*title, author, word, sentence, photograph, period, etc.*).
- Pause after each page and discuss what is happening.
- Read each activity sheet out loud first to ensure understanding.
- Go over the activity sheet answers together and correct any mistakes.
- If the child becomes bored or frustrated, take a brain break!

## Materials Needed

- Fresh Air Fun book
- activity sheets (pages 7–12)
- assessments (pages 13–14)
- crayons
- pencil and eraser

## Brain Break Ideas

- Dance to a favorite song.
- Spend a few minutes exploring outside.
- Do ten star jumps.
- Practice a few yoga poses or simple stretches.
- Take five deep breaths.

Name: 

# Great Glossary!

**Directions:** Open *Fresh Air Fun* to page 24. Review the glossary words and definitions. Use the words to complete the sentences below.

creative   explore   nectar   outdoors   soil

1. Plants need water, sun, and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Bees love \_\_\_\_\_.
3. It's fun to go camping in the  
great \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Painting is fun because you get to  
be \_\_\_\_\_.
5. It's fun to go visit a new place  
and \_\_\_\_\_.