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My Very Favorite Book in the Whole Wide World

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About This Book

Your child read *My Very Favorite Book in the Whole Wide World* in school today, a story about perseverance . . . and thinking outside of the box! People assume Henley hates to read, but that's not it at all! Henley's never found a book he likes before. At least not yet! Follow along with Henley as he goes on a quest to find his very favorite book in the whole wide world!

Family Reading Fun

Enjoy reading *My Very Favorite Book in the Whole Wide World* together, then try building some language, writing, and art skills using ideas inspired by the story.

YOUR Very Favorite Book in the Whole Wide World

Create a very *favorite* book just like Henley did. Maybe your child's favorite book is a comic book, a picture book, a cookbook—or a book filled with fun facts, jokes, or riddles! Fold a few sheets of paper in half to create a booklet, then work together to fill its pages with favorite-ness.

Make a Reading Nook

It's way more fun to read in a place that feels special. Try creating a reading nook inspired by describing words like *cozy, secret, bright, moody, quiet, creative, or calming*. Or, *nouns* like *window, corner, nest, fortress, pillows, lamp, and flashlight*. Try mixing and matching inspiration until you create the perfect nook!

Dream Bookstore

If you owned your own bookstore, what would it be called? What kinds of books would you keep in stock? How would you organize the shelves and displays to help kids discover books they might like to try? Work together to draw pictures of your plans!

Stressful Symptoms

Henley gets so upset thinking about his homework assignment that his head starts to hurt and his hands start to sweat. How do you feel if you're asked to take on a task that feels like it's too scary or too much? What are some good ways to cope with those feelings?