

# sprout's

## READING LIST

### THE READING CHAMPION

By Rachel Vail

BL: 2.1, AR Points: 0.5

T is frustrated. He can't read one single word and his best friend Walter can read whole books all by himself! When his teacher helps him unlock the secret of reading, T is thrilled. Starting with sounding out one word (F-A-T), soon T is reading whole sentences. At the end of this charming story that will strike close to home for so many readers, T reads to Mama Rex at bedtime.



### BECAUSE OF WINN-DIXIE

by Kate DiCamillo

BL: 3.9, AR Points: 3.0



The summer Opal and her father, the preacher, move to Naomi, Florida, Opal goes into the Winn-Dixie supermarket—and comes out with a dog. A big, ugly, suffering dog with a sterling sense of humor. A dog she dubs Winn-Dixie. Because of Winn-Dixie, the preacher tells Opal ten things about her absent mother, one for each year Opal has been alive. Winn-Dixie is better at making friends than anyone Opal has ever known, and together they meet the local librarian, Miss Franny Block, who once fought off a bear with a copy of WAR AND PEACE. They meet Gloria Dump, who is nearly blind but sees with her heart, and Otis, an ex-con who sets the animals in his pet shop loose after hours, then lulls them with his guitar.

Opal spends all that sweet summer collecting stories about her new friends and thinking about her mother. But because of Winn-Dixie or perhaps because she has grown, Opal learns to let go, just a little, and that friendship—and forgiveness—can sneak up on you like a sudden summer storm.

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## TORNADO IN A JAR

### sprout's STEM ACTIVITY

Grab a grown up and make a tornado in a jar! **You'll need:** a jar with a lid, dish soap, water, vinegar, measuring spoons. Optional: food coloring, iridescent glitter



Begin by a jar with cold water, leaving 1-2 inches from the top.



Add 1-2 drops of food coloring and/or glitter if desired.



Add 1 tablespoon of dish soap and 1 teaspoon of white vinegar and mix gently.



Put lid on jar and swirl it around and around.

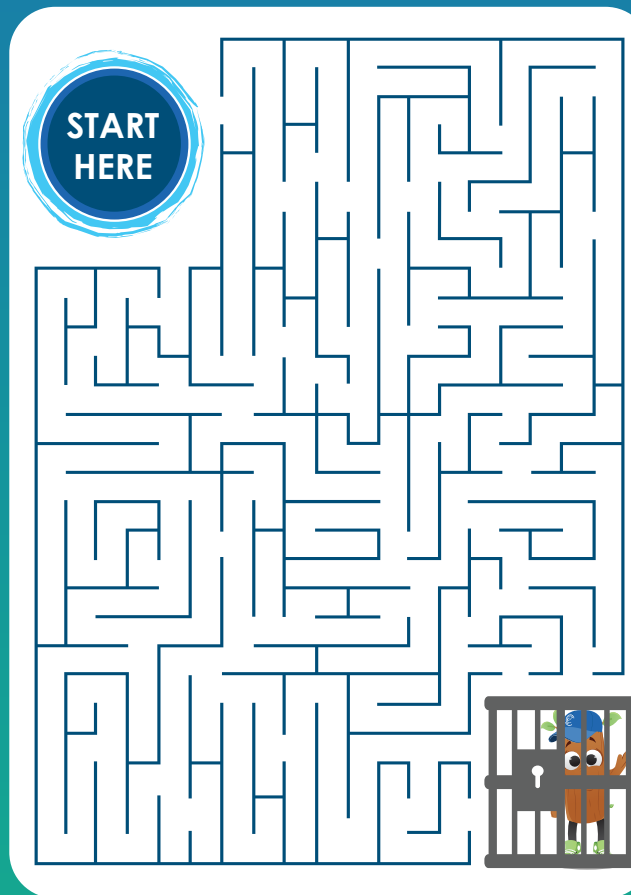


Then STOP!

The jar has stopped, but the liquid is still moving because we created a water vortex, or a tornado, inside the jar!



**Sprout needs your help!**  
Can you get to Sprout and rescue him from jail?



## Unleash the Power of Saving at Centric !

Grab your guardian and visit us on social media so you don't miss our Youth Month Giveaway!

This month, we're giving away a Nintendo Switch Lite and more!



### Sprout is here!

Stop by one of our locations for a Meet & Greet with Sprout himself!

#### PECANLAND

Friday, April 14th | 3:30-4:30 p.m.

#### ARKANSAS ROAD

Friday, April 21st | 3:30-4:30 p.m.

#### UNIVERSITY

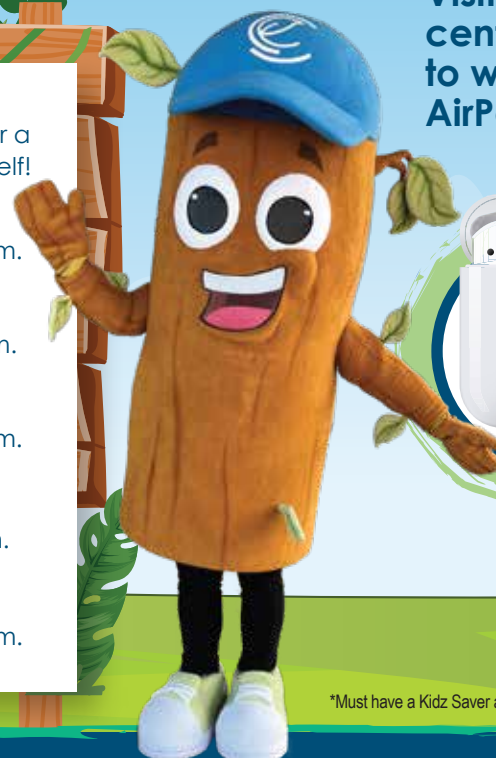
Friday, April 28th | 3:30-4:30 p.m.

#### THOMAS ROAD

Friday, May 5th | 3:30-4:30 p.m.

#### RUSTON

Friday, May 12th | 3:30-4:30 p.m.



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