What Will You Read?

Cold weather and time off from school add up to lots of chances to read! Stack up new models to look up to. Female trailblazers will inspire and be inspired by others. Dream big, dig in to especially the world wars, will travel all the way to the moon and back to get him the one thing that will cure him. For younger readers who love science, author Lori Haskins Houran presents “Thomas Edison: Lighting the Way.” The story of Edison’s improved light bulb and other inventions is illustrated by Gustavo Mazali.

Mini Fact:
Check out this list of great books for kids at bit.ly/MPALA.

Cook’s Corner
Oddies of Noodles

You’ll need:
• 1 (8-ounce) package soba noodles
• 1 green onion, chopped
• 1 tablespoon toasted sesame seeds
• 2 tablespoons Brogg liquid aminos

What to do:
1. Cook soba noodles according to package directions, then rinse and drain off as much water as possible.
2. Put noodles in a large mixing bowl, then add rest of ingredients.
3. Stir gently and serve warm or chill in the fridge. Serves 4.

Try ‘n’ Find

Words that remind us of winter reading are hidden in this puzzle. Some letters are hidden backward. See if you can find:

A D V E N T U R E
S U Y R O T S
H R O T T C A
S T Z H 2 S 1
R A U 0 J H J
H S N O I T E N V I E N O R
N O I T A R I P S N I O H O E
D E F F C A N E N
S I E N C E Z B O O K S
I M A G I N A T I O N
R W I
K R O T A R T S U L L I J W Y
S T R O P S H Y T M A P M E S

7 Little Words for Kids

Use the letters in the boxes to make a word with the same meaning as the clue. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in the word. Each letter combination can be used only once, but extra letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

 Friday
• 1s or Sat (6)
• you have five on each hand (7)
• it helps you glide on ice (3)
• very small rock (6)
• try to give (6)
• where firefighters get water (7)
• small piece (8)

Mini Jokes

Winnie: Why was the dinosaur afraid to go to the library?
Will: Her books were 65 million years overdue!

Eco Note

The average person in the U.S. wastes 231 pounds of food annually. If converted to energy, that’s enough to power a 100-watt bulb for two weeks. We can prevent food waste by planning meals in advance to prevent having extra food, getting more creative about using ingredients, properly storing food in the best type of container and freezing food for later consumption.

For later:
Make a list of the books you’d like to read this winter, then share it with a friend.

Teachers:
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