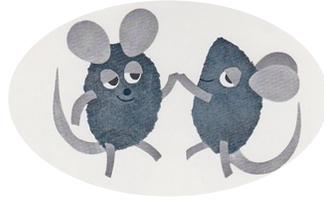


The Mayor's Book Club is pleased to present our
Book-of-the-Month for November:



Alexander and the Windup Mouse By Leo Lionni

It's Fun and Easy!

Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse written and illustrated by Leo Lionni is a beautiful story about confidence and friendship.

Tip #1 – *Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse* has short sentences and small paragraphs throughout the book. This story is an excellent practice tool for an early or emerging reader. It is also a beautiful story to read aloud to children.

Tip #2 – This book is great for exploring the thought that someone else's experiences are seemingly better than your own. This story is also great to discuss with children, as this can remind them of how amazing they truly are and how everyone has unique qualities.

Tip #3 – *Alexander and the Wind-Up Mouse* has gorgeous illustrations and collages throughout the story. The images bring the story to life and enable readers to see the scenes. Older children can identify what is happening on each page and share the emotions happening. Younger children can practice finding Alexander and Willy on the pages as well as practice their colors.

Explore mixing primary colors to see what colors you can make.

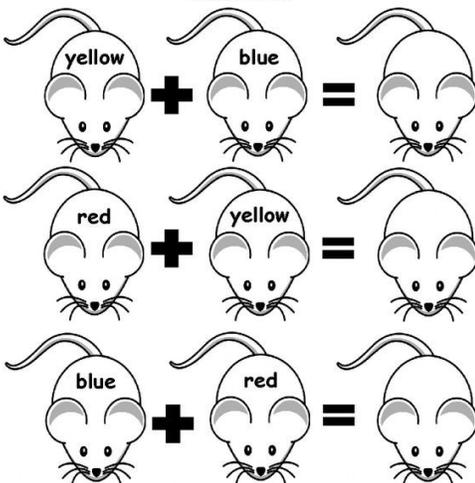
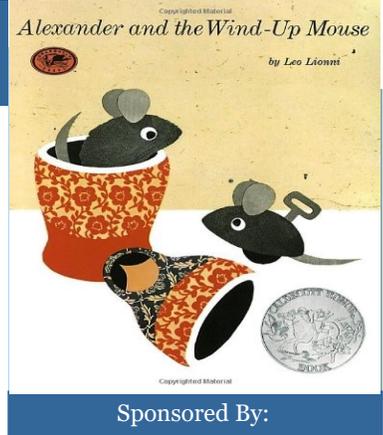


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Help Alexander find his way to
the wind-up mouse.



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Did You Know?

This month's story is
*Alexander and the
Wind-Up Mouse*,
written and illustrat-
ed by Leo Lionni.



The book explores the phrase 'the grass is greener on the other side.' It is important to know you are unique and wonderful just the way you are.

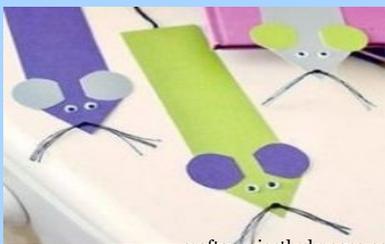
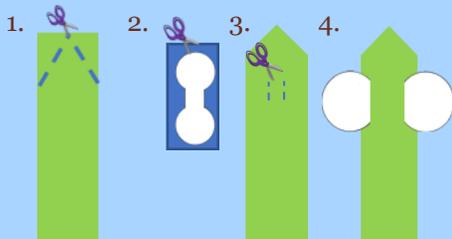


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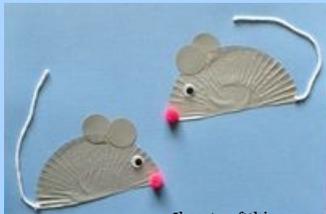
Mouse Bookmarks

Create your own mouse bookmark using construction paper and string. Cut a long strip of paper in any color that you like, then cut the corners off of the strip of paper. Cut an hour glass shape for the ears, then cut two slits in the long rectangle and slide the ears through the slits. Finally glue eyes and whiskers on your mouse bookmark.



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Cupcake Liner Mouse



theheartcraftthings.com

Have fun creating a mouse using cupcake liners. For this project you will need: construction paper, glue, pink pom-pom, yarn and a small piece of yarn. Use gray construction paper to cut small round circles for his ears and white and black paper to cut his eyes. Fold your cupcake liner in half and glue onto a piece of construction paper, now apply your tail, eyes, ears and nose and you have an adorable mouse.

BRING THE STORY TO LIFE!



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Making a snack that goes along with a story that you and your child have read is a great way to bring the story to life. The story of “Alexander and the Wind-up Mouse” by Leo Lionni is about a real mouse and a toy mouse that wants to be real. Creating mouse shaped cheese wedges on top of crackers using cheese, mini pepperoni or sliced hotdogs and cut up olives or grapes is a great way to engage your child in the story and bring it to life.

BOOK PICKS

Frederick
by Leo Lionni

The Runaway Bunny
by Margaret Wise Brown

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Scholastic Learn at Home

<https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html>

Scholastic Books is now offering a resource for at home learning. This website supports families by reinforcing learning that takes place in school by providing at home activities.



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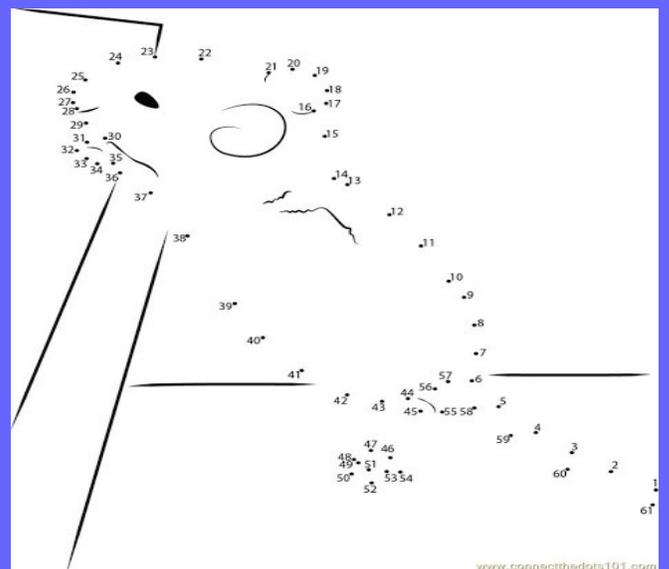


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