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OVERVIEW FOR THE CAREGIVER

Using nothing but pen, paper, and boundless creativity, the following activities will lead the young storyteller in your care to the seed of an original story. From these weekly prompts, the young storyteller will unearth tools to help cultivate their own short performance.

Optional Materials:
- Paint
- Colored pencils
- Paper
- Glue
- Camera

Anything else the young storyteller can think of! If they can use it to tell their story, they should!

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STEP 1: SEED OF AN IDEA

THERE ARE STORIES ALL AROUND US!

What stories do you see...

out your window?

watch on Instagram Live?

hear from your friends?

view on TikTok?

read in a comic book?

where else do you find stories?

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STEP 2: SEED OF AN IDEA

What’s your favorite story?

Why?
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STEP 3: SEED OF AN IDEA

JOG YOUR MEMORY!

What is a story that you remember from last week?

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What is a story that you remember from a year ago?

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What makes them stick in your memory?

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STEP 4: SEED OF AN IDEA

What kind of stories keep you interested and entertained? Do you like stories with a cliff hanger? Funny stories? Love stories?

Share some examples!

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Do you have the seed of a “good” story in your mind? 

Start generating ideas for a story you want to tell, planting your story seeds.

Write

Draw, sketch, or paint

Create a soundscape or musical playlist

Create a photo montage

Create a collage

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STORIES MAKE THE WORLD

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STEP 5: SEED OF AN IDEA
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SHARE YOUR IDEA!

WE’D LOVE TO SEE WHAT YOU CREATED WITH YOUR STORY SEED!

Share on your social media using #BCSCampAtHome or, email it to us at storytelling@centerstage.org

Coming up next...

CHAPTER 2: Feeding your Imagination

• Costumes and characters
• Building your story
• Create your own storyboard