

Magic Tree House Literature Series – Spring

Grades: 1 – 3
Day of Week: Tuesday
Time of Class: 9:00 – 10:30 AM ET
Length of Class: 10 weeks
Semester: Spring 2021
Tuition: \$250.00

Class Dates:

Week 1: April 6
Week 2: April 13
Week 3: April 20
Week 4: April 27
Week 5: May 4
Mid-Term Break/Eid Al Fitr: May 10 - 16
Week 6: May 18
Week 7: May 25
Week 8: June 1
Week 9: June 8
Week 10: June 15
Make Up Week: June 22

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Description of Course:

In this engaging course, young learners will explore exciting places and meet fascinating people and thrilling creatures alongside Jack, Annie, and their Magic Tree House.

Course Approach:

“You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book.” – Dr. Seuss

Each class will begin with a teacher-led read aloud from that week’s book. Your emerging reader will be given the option of practicing the important skill of reading aloud as well. We will learn together through the reading of engaging literature, class discussion, comprehension activities, and videos. There will be an in-class, hands-on craft project for each unit and extension materials will be provided for optional at-home work. Students are encouraged to come to class in costumes appropriate to the book we are reading together!

Goals:

The goal of this course is to encourage students to deepen their love of reading and inspire curiosity about their world.

Textbooks:

Sunset of the Sabertooth (Book 7) ISBN-13: 9780679863731

Midnight on the Moon (Book 8) ISBN-13: 9780679863748

Dolphins at Daybreak (Book 9) ISBN-13: 9780679883388

Additional Supplies/Resources Needed:

A three-ring binder with three dividers labeled for each book title.

Basic art supplies such as markers, colored pencils, glue, and blank paper.

A small assortment of LEGO bricks will be used for one in-class craft project.

Parents may be asked to print handouts ahead of time, to be used during online classes.

Requirements:

Class attendance, participation, and required readings. Parents should expect to provide assistance during the assembly of in-class craft projects.

Weekly Homework:

Students will be required to read assigned chapters between classes. Some families might encourage their students to read independently, while others will favor family read-aloud time. Do what works for your student! Weekly comprehension activity sheets will also be assigned and should be uploaded into CANVAS upon completion. Students should expect to spend 1 – 2 hours per week on reading and activity assignments.

Evaluation:

The instructor will provide individualized feedback to students' comprehension activity assignments.

Anticipated Weekly Course Schedule:

Week	Topic
Week 1	Course introduction / begin "Sunset of the Sabertooth" / Explore ice age
Week 2	Continue "Sunset of the Sabertooth" / Literary analysis
Week 3	Craft project: cave painting / Wrap up "Sunset of the Sabertooth"
Week 4	Begin "Midnight on the Moon" / Explore lunar facts and travel
Week 5	Continue "Midnight on the Moon" / Literary analysis
Week 6	Craft project: lunar phases / Wrap up "Midnight on the Moon"
Week 7	Begin "Dolphins at Daybreak" / Explore dolphin facts and habitat
Week 8	Continue "Dolphins at Daybreak" / Literary analysis
Week 9	Craft project: ocean animal coffee filter suncatcher / Wrap up "Dolphins at Daybreak"
Week 10	Course slideshow, review, wrap up