

Magic Tree House Literature Series – Winter

Grades: 1 – 3

Day of Week: Tuesday

Time of Class: 9:00 – 10:30 AM ET

Length of Class: 10 weeks

Semester: Winter 2021

Tuition: \$250.00

Class Dates:

Week 1: January 12

Week 2: January 19

Week 3: January 26

Week 4: February 2

Week 5: February 9

Week 6: February 16

Week 7: February 23

Week 8: March 2

Week 9: March 9

Week 10: March 16

Make Up Week: March 23

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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:

Pirates Past Noon (Book 4) ISBN-13: 9780679924258

Night of the Ninjas (Book 5) ISBN-13: 9780679863717

Afternoon on the Amazon (Book 6) ISBN-13: 9780679863724

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 "Pirates Past Noon" / Explore pirate facts
Week 2	Continue "Pirates Past Noon" / Literary analysis / Learn to talk like a pirate
Week 3	Craft project: Jolly Roger / Wrap up "Pirates Past Noon"
Week 4	Begin "Night of the Ninjas" / Explore ancient Japanese culture and warriors
Week 5	Continue "Night of the Ninjas" / Literary analysis
Week 6	Craft project: throwing stars / Wrap up "Night of the Ninjas"
Week 7	Begin "Afternoon on the Amazon" / Explore geography and animals of the Amazon rainforest
Week 8	Continue "Afternoon on the Amazon" / Literary analysis
Week 9	Craft project: handprint parrots / Wrap up "Afternoon on the Amazon"
Week 10	Course slideshow, review, wrap up