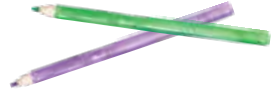


FAVORITE ACTIVITIES DURING READ-ALOUDS

- Easy handicrafts like finger knitting
- Clay or modeling beeswax for sculpting
- Wooden blocks, letters, and peg people
- Puzzles, magnetic tiles, or sorting games
- Small bin of Legos (small because the sound of kids sorting through big bins is stressful when you're trying to read and may make you want to hurl the Legos; trust me on this)
- Colored pencils and paper
- Play dough with various natural items, such as shells, rocks, and flowers
- Water beads with measuring cups and small animal figurines
- Watercolor paints



When creating a framework for your daily rhythm, start simply and leave room for spontaneity to unfold. Here are a few things you could include in your framework:

- Breakfast
- Morning time
- Nature hike
- Snack time
- Main lessons
- Lunch
- Additional subjects
- Read-aloud
- Free time
- Dinner
- Family time
- Bedtime

**SWEET
SUNDAY**

Worship, hospitality,
board games, and
family walk

**THUNDER
THURSDAY**

Adventure, nature
collecting, and
audiobooks

MAGIC MONDAY

Baking, teatime, poetry,
art, and music

**FAVORITES
FRIDAY**

Library, nature journaling,
and science and studies
at Nana's house

**TIME TRAVEL
TUESDAY**

History and geography

**SKILLFUL
SATURDAY**

Homestead work,
Wild Explorers Club,
and Sunday prep

**WORK AND
WONDER
WEDNESDAY**

Cleaning, writing letters,
and time for wonder

A FEW OF OUR FAVORITE CHAPTER BOOKS

Charlotte's Web by E. B. White

Heidi by Johanna Spyri

The Railway Children

by Edith Nesbit

Pippi Longstocking

by Astrid Lindgren

A Wrinkle in Time

by Madeleine L'Engle

Charlie and the Chocolate

Factory by Roald Dahl

A Little Princess

by Frances Hodgson Burnett

The Yearling by Marjorie Kinnan

Rawlings

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott

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A FEW OF OUR FAVORITE BOOK SERIES

Thornton Burgess Animal Stories

by Thornton Burgess

Little House

by Laura Ingalls Wilder

The Boxcar Children

by Gertrude Chandler Warner

The Chronicles of Narnia

by C. S. Lewis

The Lord of the Rings trilogy

by J. R. R. Tolkien

The Little Britches series

by Ralph Moody

The Harry Potter series

by J. K. Rowling

The Green Ember series

by S. D. Smith

The Mysterious Benedict Society

by Trenton Lee Stewart

A FEW OF OUR FAVORITE PICTURE BOOKS

Roxaboxen

by Alice McLerran

Blueberries for Sal

by Robert McKloskey

Children of the Forest

by Elsa Beskow

Annie and the Wild Animals

by Jan Brett

Miss Rumphius

by Barbara Cooney

Frog and Toad

by Arnold Lobel

Children of the North Lights

by Ingri and Edgar Parin d'Aulaire