Sample Agenda

Parent Book Club - FACILITATOR

Date:

"Children are made readers on the laps of *their parents."* ~ Emilie Buchwald

1. Connecting to Each Other

- Message
- Icebreaker

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Reflect on the quote

2. Connecting to Text

- Discuss the book focusing on (new strategy)
- New Book Talk: (new Book) by

3. Connecting to Home

- Read (New Book)
 - As you read, jot down any notes about (new strategy)
 - Use post-its to mark the place(s) you want to discuss
- Read (*new children's book*) with your child/ren
 - Share (thoughts about the new strategy)
 - Listen to what your child says...

Next Book Club Meeting:

FACILITATOR NOTES

Take time to talk

Take time to build community among participants through sharing responses to the message and ice breaker. We want parents to associate Book Club with enjoyment. This positive attitude toward reading is what they will model for their children.

Introduce the new book

We have found that introducing the new book through a Book Talk, or reading the first chapter, gets participants interested in reading. Some Book Clubs members are already avid readers, but many parents are so busy with other things, that finding time to read can be a challenge. So we hook them through the intro. 🙂

Encourage them to return!

Ask parents to commit to the Club. Let them know you're looking forward to seeing them at the next meeting.

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