

Building Curriculum Through Books

Please complete all sections of the book report.

Curriculum Theme: Our Five Senses

Book title: The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Author: Eric Carle

Summarize your book. What is the story about?

The story is about a little caterpillars growth from an egg to a beautiful butterfly once he hatch from the egg he begins to eat everything in his sight for six days, like fruits, sweets and junk food until he gets a stomach ache. So on the seventh day he wraps himself into a cocoon then emerges into his beautiful butterfly self.

Mirrors and Windows: How might this book support children in your class. Is it a mirror, window, a sliding door, or a combination? Explain.

The story is a combination of a window and mirror. The book supports the children understanding of metamorphosis of caterpillars into butterflies and the growth within themselves, from birth they grow into something beautiful.

Describe the illustrations. How do the illustrations add to the story?

With the illustrations you can see everything the caterpillar eats and how big he gets day after day until he gets so big and full that he change form.

List questions that you would ask before, during or following a read aloud or discussion of this book.

1. What do you see on the cover?
2. What do you think the story will be about?
3. What does the Caterpillar eat?

4. Do you eat those foods?

5. Have you ever eaten a lot of sweets? Did it feel good?

6. Do you think that eating the nice green leaf made the caterpillar happy? Why? Why not?

Get creative! Briefly describe an art activity (using visual arts, movement, music, or dramatic play) that you would do with your class of 4, 5, or 6-year olds in connection with a reading this book.

An Story Play of the story, the students can play out the story on being each item the caterpillar eats. Either the students dress up as the items or they can creative big art pieces of the items and the caterpillar eats it.