

POWER LUNCH ACTIVITIES FOR MARCH

March Is Reading Month

Reading Month offers opportunities to explore reading in new ways! Motivate your student with a bit of added fun when you try these activities to keep the pages turning in March:

Celebrate Reading Month

Celebrate reading all month long with a fun activity each week! Use the handout on the next page to explore books and authors in new ways and to keep track of your efforts. There are 8 activity ideas to choose from, but you only need to complete 4 activities for your student to earn a special certificate of recognition. Your school coordinator will have copies of the handout and materials for completing the activities.

Women's History Month

Many great women are celebrated in books. Look for the Power Lunch display of books related to Women's History Month or check for these titles about accomplished girls and women in your local library:

Amelia and Eleanor Go for A Ride by Pam Munoz Ryan

Before She Was Harriet by Lesa Cline-Ransome

Brave Girl: Clara and the Shirtwaist Makers' Strike of 1909 by Michelle Markel

Coretta Scott King: I Kept on Marching by Kathleen Krull

Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race by Margot Lee Shetterly

I Dissent: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Makes Her Mark by Debbie Levy

Maya Lin: Artist-Architect of Light and Lines by Jeanne Walker-Harvey

Seeds of Change by Jen Cullerton Johnson

Shaking Things Up: 14 Young Women Who Changed the World by Susan Hood

Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer by Carole Boston Weatherford

Who Says Women Can't Be Computer Programmers? The Story of Ada Lovelace by Tanya Lee Stone

The Youngest Marcher: The Story of Audrey Faye Hendricks, a Young Civil Rights Activist by Cynthia Levinson

Days on the March Calendar to Explore:

March 1 [Read Across America](#)

National Reading Month

[National Women's History Month](#)

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Everybody Wins DC Power Lunch Activities for March

Add to your reading fun this month! Each week choose one of the activities below to do as part of your Power Lunch reading session. Write the activity number on the calendar on the date you did it and write down the title of the book you read together. Show off or give anything you make as part of your activity to your school coordinator. Turn in the completed calendar at the end of March. You only need to do 4 activities to earn a special certificate of recognition! If there is an activity you really like to do, you can do it again with a different book.

- 1 - Dear Author:** After reading a book, write the author a letter with questions or thoughts about the book.
- 2 - Sing me a song:** Write a song about the story, a character, or an event in the book.
- 3 - Make your mark:** Create a bookmark that celebrates a favorite moment or character from a book by using quotes from the text or drawing pictures.
- 4 - Map it out:** Draw a map of one of the places from a book you read. See how much detail you can include.
- 5 - Girl Power:** Read a nonfiction book about an accomplished woman to celebrate National Women's History Month.
- 6 - March Madness:** Read a book about basketball or use the NCAA basketball tournament to talk about colleges. Make college recommendations for favorite book characters: Greg Heffley, Harvard bound?
- 7 - 3.14:** Read a book about math or science in honor of Pi Day or Albert Einstein's birthday and write a book recommendation.
- 8 - Happy Birthday Author!** Read a book by one of these authors then make a card to celebrate the author's birthday: Dr. Seuss and Leo Dillon (March 2); Dav Pilkey (March 4); Ezra Jack Keats (March 11); Virginia Hamilton (March 12); David Wisniewski (March 21); Kate DiCamillo (March 25); Doreen Cronin (March 28)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Books We Read:
Here's where you write down the number of the activity you did on the date you did it:				1 Read Across America Day	Here's where you write down the title of the book you read together for the activity you did each week:
4	5	6	7	8	
11	12	13	14	15	
18	19	20	21	22	
25	26	27	28	29	

Student Name: