



PBL Project Bag

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Driving Question

How can I support a student who is learning English and has parents who also don't speak English?

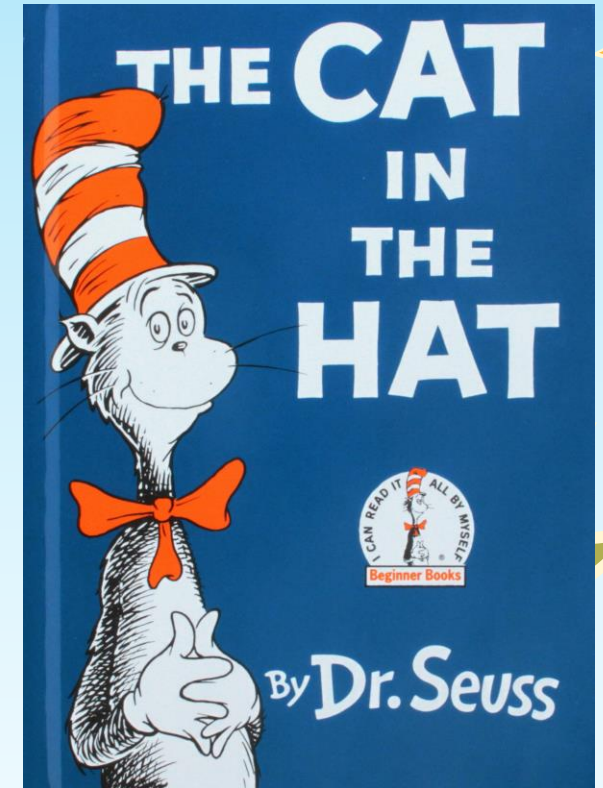
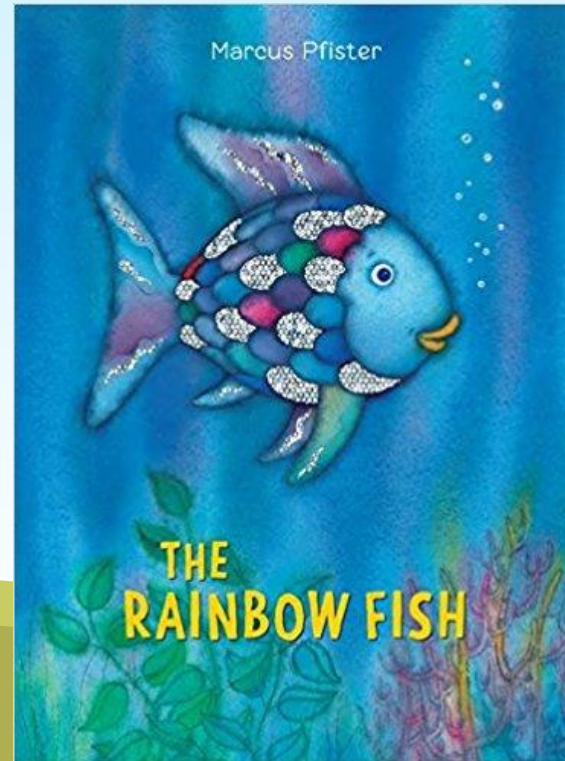


Research

- *Mastering ESL/EFL Methods*
 - Prism model
 - Holistic approach to learning English
- *Empowering ELL Parents and Families at Home-iColorin colorado!*
 - Activities for students learning English to work on with parents who don't speak English
 - Differences between English and Spanish
 - How parents can help their student with homework and promote literacy
- *Help! They Don't Speak English Starter Kit for Primary Teachers-ESCORT, AEL, and Region XIV Comprehensive Center/Center for Applied Linguistics*
 - Information for teachers on how to support parents who don't speak English
 - Parent's point of view
 - Information on implementing participation model in classroom
 - Promoting literacy at home

Project Bag Contents

- *The Cat in the Hat* by Dr. Seuss-Bilingual
- *The Rainbow Fish* by Marcus Pfister-Bilingual
- *At the Zoo* Coloring Book-Bilingual
- Colored Pencils
- Notebook
- Color Song
- Flashcards
- Note to Parents



Directions for Students

1. Choose 10 flashcards
2. Write the words in notebook and draw pictures
3. Look through flashcards
4. Read stories by themselves
5. Have parents read and point out vocabulary
6. Color in coloring book
7. Read the song



Results

- Sent PBL bag home with two students
- Assessment involved going over flashcards
- 1st student-5/10 flashcards
- 2nd student-10/10 flashcards
- 1st student-5 words from total
- 2nd student-5 words from total
- 1st student-Read story alone; Parents helped find vocab words in story
- 2nd student-Focused on flashcards



Reflection

Advantages

- Students exposed to language after school
- Learn new vocabulary in foreign language
- Visual, Hands-on Activities
- Practice the language
- Reading stories makes learning language more relevant

Improvements

- Communication with parents
- Explicit written instructions
- Need more time
- Exposed to language everyday
- Provide Kindle Fire-Listening Activities