

# Story Walk

A new way to look at our favorite stories!

## Materials needed

- Pen/Pencil
- Download template (optional)

🕒 20 min

## Directions

### Step 1: Pick a book

Head to your local library or browse your home library. Allow each family member to pick a book with at least 4 character illustrations. We suggest having a few new books in the bunch - this activity is even better with characters you don't know YET!

### Step 2: "Walk" The Story

Family story time - with a twist! Look at the illustrations of the characters one at a time without reading the words. Talk about the character's facial expressions and body language to guess feelings and emotions without knowing the context.

- What can you tell about the character's face just by looking at them?
- Have you ever felt that way? What did you do? Did anyone help you?
- What would you want from a friend if you were feeling this emotion?



### Step 3: "Dear Character..."

When you're done with your Story Walk, write a letter to one of the characters in the book. Share a time you felt like they did or tell how you might support them. Not a writer yet? Draw a picture and ask a writer in your family to write your words!



**Mojo's tip!** Make Story Walk a game on-the-go! When you're out and about, use newspapers, magazines or even billboards and identify emotions together!

