

“Pancakes for Breakfast” Parent Engagement Activity

What you will need wear/bring:

1. Pancakes for Breakfast by Tomie De Paolo
2. Bookmarks with QR Code for YouTube video
For each child and classroom teacher



What you will need to do:

1. Contact the site to alert them of your visit
2. Gather all materials needed
3. Practice reading wordless book

Remember: Upon arrival to the classroom ask the teacher when it is ok to start interacting with the children.

RAR STAFF: Hi, everyone. My name is _____. Do all of you remember what this is? (SHOW THE RED BAG & WAIT FOR CHILDREN'S RESPONSES)

RAR STAFF: That's right, it's the "RAISING A READER" red bag with books inside. Have you been enjoying your books? (WAIT FOR CHILDREN'S RESPONSES). That's great. Today we are going to share a book from the bag.

RAR STAFF: Raise your hand if you like to eat breakfast? What do you eat for breakfast? (WAIT FOR CHILDREN'S RESPONSES)

How many of you like pancakes for breakfast? (PULL THE BOOK OUT OF THE RED BAG AND SHARE THE BOOK WITH THE CHILDREN)

RAR STAFF: Today we shared a wordless book. Do you know what that means? (WAIT FOR CHILDREN'S RESPONSES) (OPEN THE PAGES TO SHOW THERE ARE NO WORDS ON THE PAGE) A wordless book is a book that doesn't have words on the pages. The author designs the book this way so the reader can make up their own story from what they see on the pages. This is what I did today.

RAR STAFF: I have made all of you a bookmark to take home to your parents. On one side is a QR code that your parents can scan and take you to a YouTube video of the wordless book "Pancakes for Breakfast." You can see all of the pages of the book and share the book with them. You can make up your own story or tell it similar to how I did today. On the back of the bookmark are suggestions for how to share a wordless book.

(GIVE BOOKMARKS DIRECTLY TO TEACHERS TO DISTRIBUTE)

***NOTE: Bookmark was designed using Canva and can be easily recreated by following the clicking here on the [Pancakes for Breakfast Link](#)

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**RAISING
a Reader**

**Pancakes for
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by:
Tomie dePaola



Scan the QR Code to view a
Read Aloud version on YouTube

**Tips for reading a
wordless book:**



Do a picture walk and look
at each page.

Ask questions about what
you see.

Who are the characters?

What are they thinking or
feeling?

Where does the story take
place?

What do you think is
happening on each page?

Look at the book again and
make up a story of your
own.



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