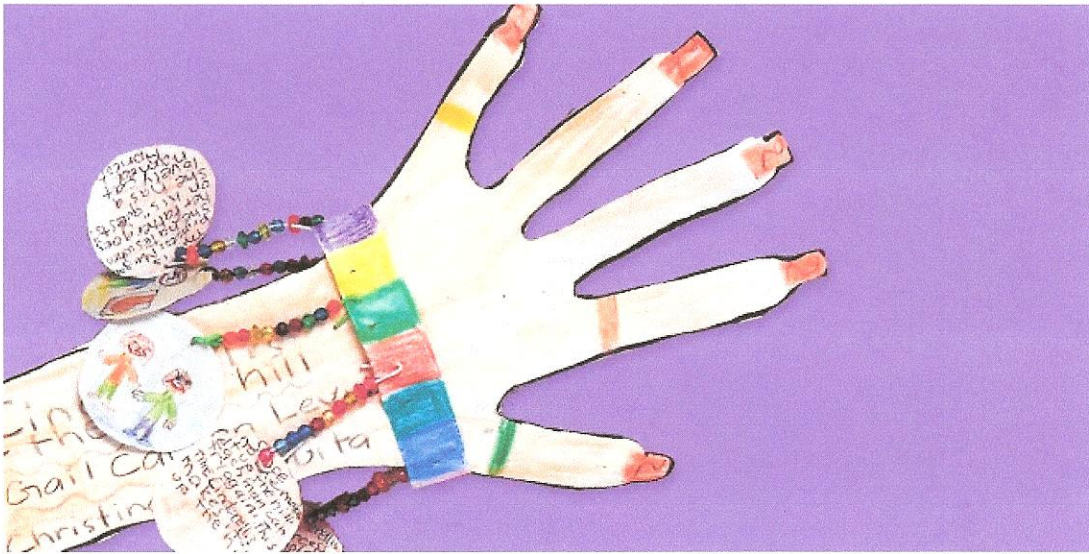


A Jewel of a Book



Crayola Supplies

Crayons

Erasable Colored Pencils

Markers

No-Run School Glue

Pointed Tip Scissors

Construction Paper

Household Supplies

hole punch

ribbon

decorative craft items

Why?

What a charming way to write a book report! Each illustrated bracelet charm captures a character, an event in the plot, setting, or other detail.

Steps

1. Read a book of your choice. As you read, take notes about the most important characters, key settings, plot and themes, and major events using Crayola® Erasable Colored Pencils.
2. To make a charm bracelet book report, trace your hand and wrist on construction paper. Cut it out with Crayola Scissors.

3. Using construction paper, ribbon, or other craft items, make a charm bracelet.
4. Draw and cut out as many construction paper charms as you need to tell about your book. Using Crayola Erasable Colored Pencils, Crayons, or Markers, write words and draw pictures on both sides of each charm to report on your book.
5. Punch holes in charms and the bracelet. Tie short ribbons through holes to attach charms. Attach the bracelet to your paper wrist using Crayola School Glue.
6. Print the name of the book and its author on the palm of your hand. Decorate your hand with nail polish, rings, or other ideas.

Adaptations

Children with special needs could work with a partner or use assistive technology to prepare their book reports.

Design a Charming Books bulletin board to display book reports.

Plan an oral book reading. Students introduce their book and author, then read highlights from their charms.

Take the details on charms and rewrite them in paragraph form.

Benefits

Students read a book, noting the characters, setting, plot, and events.

Children gather, synthesize, and then select the most important data from their book.

Students prepare a book report by decorating a charm bracelet with pertinent information about their literary work.

Grades

Grades 1 to 3
Grades 4 to 6
Special Needs

Subjects

Language Arts
Visual Arts

Time

30 to 60 minutes

Multiple Sessions

Curriculum Standards Links

US: [Research U.S. Standards](#)

UK: [Research UK Standards](#)

Canada: [Research Canada Standards](#)

Safety Guidelines

Small Parts— **WARNING: CHOKING HAZARD**—Small parts. Not for children under 3 years.

Scissors—**ATTENTION:** The cutting edges of scissors are sharp and care should be taken whenever cutting or handling. Blunt-tip scissors should be used only by children 4 years and older. Pointed-tip scissors should be used only by children 6 years and older.

String-Like Materials—Includes string, raffia, lacing, yarn, ribbon, and other similar material. Children 3 years and younger should not be given any string-like material that is longer than 12 inches. Close adult supervision is essential whenever children use string-like material. When crafts are to be worn around the necks of children 8 years and younger, attach the ends of the “string-like material” with clear adhesive tape, which allows easy release of the bond if the craft becomes entangled or caught on equipment. For children older than 8 years, the ends of the “string-like material” may be tied and knotted.

