




Exploring Your World

# Adventures in the Canyon



## BARBARA BUSH'S FAMILY READING TIPS

-  Ask questions, talk about the story, and read with expression
-  Visit libraries, bookstores, and online reading sites together
-  Ask others to read to your child and bring books wherever you go

**Parent Guide**

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## 1 ASK:

- Why do you think Maria pretends to be brave?
  - Have you ever done anything that you have been scared to do?
  - Why do you think being honest with her mom helped Maria to feel better?
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## 2 GO:

Go online and search for a **map of the United States**. The Grand Canyon is located in Arizona. Find Arizona on the map. Talk about which states or cities you might travel through to get there from your house.

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## 3 LEARN:

Learn more about the national parks around the country by looking online using the words **national parks for kids**.

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## 4 READ:

- *Good Night Grand Canyon* by Adam Gamble and Mark Jasper
  - *Grand Canyon* by Jason Chin
  - *Where is the Grand Canyon?* by Jim O'Connor
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## 5 MAKE:

Look online at **pictures of rafting**. Talk with your child about what you might need to take on the raft to be safe. Examples include life jackets, helmets, oars, and drinking water. Make a list with your child and talk about why each item is important.

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## 6 MOVE:

Pretend you are doing the activities discussed in the book. For example, sit in chairs and pretend that it is a boat and you are floating down the river. Pretend to paddle and go around rocks or down waterfalls.

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## 7 PLAY:

Plan an indoor camping trip. Make a tent using blankets and chairs, and fill the space with pillows. Even if you don't sleep in there, you can read books or have a snack and pretend to be camping.

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## 8 WORD TALK:

Homophones are words that sound alike but have different spellings and meanings. Example: *sun* and *son*. Help your child find homophones in the book for these words: *too/two* (page 2, **to**); *bee* (page 4, **be**); *here* (page 7, **hear**).

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## 9 DISCUSS/DO:

Ask your child what it means to be courageous. Talk about a time that you have shown courage. Discuss ways that people can be courageous. Examples include sticking up for what you believe in or overcoming a fear.

# Free Resources to Support Family and Adult Literacy:

**Keep reading together!**

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