The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you will go!

- Dr. Seuss
Summer 2014

Dear Families of Reading Clinic Participants:

First and foremost, thanks to the students who participated in the UNI Reading Clinic and gave up their beauty sleep during the summer of 2014. Tutors, supervisors, and instructors appreciate all the students' hard work, dedication, and motivation. Their smiles and enthusiasm brightened the tutoring experience!

We, personally, would like to thank the families that encouraged their student's participation in the UNI Reading Clinic. While we are sad that the summer session has come to an end, we know that you will guide, assist, and continue encouraging your student for the years to come.

We hope you enjoyed this booklet filled with interesting and insightful stories from the students. Each student spent a good portion of their time brainstorming, pre-writing, drafting, and editing their stories. Each story is different just like every student and experience is unique!

Shout Out to Students!

Oh, the books we did read, the fun things we did do! UNI Reading Clinic was great indeed because of all of you!

Sincerely,

UNI Reading Tutors, Supervisors, and Instructors
All the Stuff you need to Know about Baseball

Introduction
This is the book about baseball. Part of the book is about Babe Ruth. Have fun reading. Thank you!!!

Part 1- Rules
In kid baseball, you can’t steal second and third base. The referee tells the coach and the players the rules. There is a rule called the ten run rule. If a team is up by 10 they win after 4 innings.

Part 2- Uniforms
In baseball, teams wear uniforms. In baseball, we wear jerseys and tuck in players shirts. Players wear hats for shade. Part of the uniforms is long socks and white pants to your shins.

Part 3- Teams
There are a bunch of baseball teams. There are high school, college, kids, and little league teams. There is professional baseball, called MLB. This stands for Major League Baseball. My favorite baseball team is the Pittsburgh Pirates, a professional team.

Part 4- Equipment
There are a bunch of equipment for a baseball game. Players need a place to play baseball. Some people call it a baseball field and some people call it a diamond. The players need equipment to play - like bats, gloves, mitts, balls, helmets, and the catcher needs a helmet, chest pad, and knee pads.

Part 5- Positions
There are lots of positions in baseball. The pitcher is one of the most important players because without the pitcher no one can hit the ball. The catcher catches the ball when it’s strikes or balls. The batter has to hit to make someone on base get home. The players that play the bases protect the base so no one makes it there. The short stop is the one between second and third base who protects those bases. The players who get the ball in the outfield pass it to the short stop. The players in the right field pass it to first baseman.

Part 6- Babe Ruth
One of the best baseball players was Babe Ruth. Babe Ruth was born on February 6th, 1895. He played 22 seasons in Major League Baseball from 1914 to 1935. Babe Ruth had a total of 714 home runs in his career. He died on August 6th, 1948 in New York City.

Closing
I hope you had fun reading about baseball. Get out there and play some baseball!!!
Batman and Robin

Batman and Robin fight crime. Batman drives the bat mobile and Robin drives the bat cycle. Robin defeated the Joker. Then they went to play video games in the bat cave.

The End
Bob is doing a trick on his motorcycle. He's flying through the air when suddenly a guy threw a water balloon with a rock inside and hit Bob on the head. He falls and lands on his motorcycle and breaks every bone in his body.
Connor and Bustr

At home when my dad got home he bought me a dog. I named him Bustr. Then I built him a tree house but Bustr could not climb the ladder so I had to make a ramp.
There are many different kinds of ice cream. My favorite ice cream is mint chocolate chip. My mom's favorite kind is chocolate ice cream. Greysen's favorite kind is banana cream pie. My Dad's favorite kind is the same as Greysen's. Those are some kinds of ice cream my family likes to eat.
| **Iguana and Frog** | "I want to go in the water," said Iguana.  
"No, you don't have wet, moist skin," said the Frog.  
Iguana then goes back to the zoo... | **Later on, the Iguana escapes from the zoo** |
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<td><strong>Cause he was hot!</strong></td>
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Sports Car

I bought a new sports car. My new sports car is blue. My new sports car has strips on it. It is cool. It goes really fast. There is really cool race cars in Italy. I am going to drive my sports car to Italy to see those really cool race cars. When I get to Italy I am going to buy a house and watch TV. I will stay in Italy forever.
Letter to Anne Frank

Dear Anne Frank,

Hi. My name is _______ and I am ten years old. I live in Cedar Falls, Iowa. For fun I like to play outside, hang out with my friends, and doing gymnastics. When I play outside I like to go on bike rides, play tag, and go walking in nature.

I have enjoyed learning about your life, and I feel really bad for you. I can't even think about the things you have gone through that make you really afraid. If I was in your shoes, I would not sleep at night, and I could not stop thinking about what could happen.

What was it like living in the Secret Annex? What did you like to do in the Annex? What I would do is take a game and play it with someone. What was it like living in a small space with so many people? I think it would be very hard because you would have to share very little food, blankets, and space. What do the pictures on the wall mean?

I have learned a lot from you and I hope it never happens again.

Sincerely,
My Favorite Animals

I love all animals, but there are three animals that I love the most. These animals are goats, dogs, and cats. I like them for many reasons, and someday I will raise them as my own pets.

One of my favorite animals is a goat. I like goats because they’re cute and playful. Did you know that goats eat wheat and hay and drink milk? When I get older I would like 16 baby goats. As you can see goats are cute, playful, and great animals.

Another one of my favorite animals is a dog. I have a dog now and she is a lab. My dog likes peanut butter and cheese. Huskies are cute dogs and when I get older I would like to have six. Dogs are usually sweet to me and that’s why I like them.

The last favorite animal I like a lot is cats and kittens. I have two cats now. Their names are Coco and Autumn. Cats can be indoor or outdoor pets. Cats usually sleep all day long. Cats are cool, awesome, and really sweet pets.

As you can see, these animals are my favorites. I can’t wait to have them when I get older. They are all so cute and playful, and I love them so much.
Night at the Carnival

Mad Lib

Directions:
Choose a word for each part of speech specified and read the story out loud, filling your words in the blanks.

One night a girl named _______ went to the carnival. Her favorite ride was the _______. After the _______ went to get some _______ to eat. She wanted to go on a ride with _______, but the workers stopped her. When the workers stopped her, she started _______ and _______ all over the place. Instead of going on a ride she went to the prize games and wanted a _______ _______ dolphin. She had to pop 4 balloons with 8 darts. She only popped 3 so, she went _______ and, wanted to try _______.

first-name
adjective
carnival-ride
carnival-ride
First-name
carnival-food
carnival-food
verb-ending-in-ing
verb-ending-in-ing
adjective
adjective
place
day-of-the-week
Rainbow Tornado

I love tornados. It is a rainbow tornado. The red part tears houses down. It is the bad part.
A Spinosaurus is a type of dinosaur. Its spine was 7 feet tall. It had a long jaw. It was a meat eater. This is my favorite dinosaur because of his long teeth.
The Sleepover Party

At sleepovers my friend and I like watching movies, playing games and playing outside. Me and my friend like watching a movie at night because it’s dark outside. Me and my friend like eating popcorn while watching a movie downstairs because the T.V. is big. Me and my friend like to sit in rocking chairs while watching the movie because they are comfortable.

Me and my friend like playing games at night because they are fun. We like to play video games on the Wii and Xbox. We like to play Lego Star Wars on the Wii. Me and my friend like playing a board game called Memory.

My friend and I like to play outside because his backyard is big. My friend and I like riding our bikes because it’s exercise and fun. We like to go to the park and play on the playground. We like to play with Molly, his dog. All these things are fun and you’ll probably have fun doing these things as well.
The Lost Boy

There was a boy named Awesome Alex. He lived in Iowa and his hometown was Cedar Falls. He was going to visit his dad in South America because he had not seen him in a long time. He was going to get there in a two person plane. In the middle of the ride, the pilot had a heart attack. The plane was going down fast. Awesome Alex tried to fly it, but it ran out of gas. Then the plane crashed right next to a big, empty island. He got out of the plane and swam to the island. It had water, food and shelter. He opened a pack from the plane and it had a knife, a .22 riffle, some food, and a full water bottle. The island had lots of trees on it. He made a spear with wood, the knife, and some leaves. He speared some fish and cooked them to eat.

When Awesome Alex was done eating fish, he went to get wood to keep his fire going. When he got wood, he saw a bear. The bear saw him too and started to follow him. Awesome Alex tried to run away but the bear was too fast. He finally climbed a tree. The bear stayed there and watched him. He decided enough was enough and climbed across to another tree. He finally loses the bear and decides to climb down and go to his shelter. When he gets to his shelter, the bear is there and ready to attack. Awesome Alex grabs his spear and goes to the bear. The bear bites his hand off as Awesome Alex throws his spear with the other hand right into the bear's eye. The bear dies. Awesome Alex makes a help sign in the sand, but no one finds him. He lived on the island and died from old age.
Decorah Vacation

I went to Decorah for four days and on the third day my family, my friends, and me went on a bike ride. We stopped at one place where we got to feed fish, we got to pet fish, and we got to hold fish. At the last place we went to Whippy Dip and that is a place where you get to get ice cream, slushies, tacos and all that stuff. But I got an oreo tornado, and I shared that with my mom. I also got a walking taco and then we went back to the camping site.

The End
The Funny Pets

Hi, I am Ashley and I love hamsters!! I have a fish Mr. Guppy....he is so cool.

Mr. Guppy

I am.

I have a dog Oakley, he is mean.

Oakley

Oh no you did not sister!

I have a hamster pip-squeak, he is silly.

Pip-Squeak

Oh thanks!

I have a Guiney pig. He is polite.

Guiney Pig

Thank you Ashley.

I have a bunny, pumpkin. Weird....

Pumpkin

I heard that.

I have a cat. I DO NOT LIKE HER!

Kitty

Oh no you did not.

So those were my pets. BAD DOG!
Yellow

The sun turns everything to yellow.

Cute yellow baby chickens, yellow striped bumble bees on sunflowers, juicy yellow lemons.

Yellow is very hot.
Summer

During the summer I love going on runs. I love playing volleyball with my brother Noah. I say that I want to work but I do not do it. I love when I have family time then we can walk and talk or play games. I love free time when I can go to my room and do stuff that I want to do. I love to write in my room because then I can write about anything.
The Pitching

First stand on the pitching mound. Then hold the ball with fingers spread. Turn your shoulders step with left foot and throw the ball to the catcher’s glove. To throw a strike throw it over the plate the height of the batter’s stomach. Throw three strikes and they’re out.
Seasons
(A Diamante Poem)

Summer
Sunny, Hot
Playing, Swimming, Jumping
Fireworks, Fourth of July, Jolly, Christmas
Snowing, Cooking, Glistening
Cold, Dark
Winter
THE GAME

One day the sky was blue, the clouds were white as could be. The stadium was loud "Go Faith Go Faith," full of excitement, and full of fans. It was the last game of the season, she had to win, who was she Faith Hoffman, Bum, Bum, Bum, Bum, the star player on the team. "Oh no!" said Faith. The game is starting, "Catch you later!" Faith exclaimed. Whoosh. The players got in their positions, the reff blew his whistle, and the game had started. By the second half it was 1 to 1, they were tied. Second half was over and the game had a minute left, dun dun dun, it was still 1 to 1. Anna had the ball about half way down the field, she passed it to Faith. She saw there was an open shot. She dribbled down the field and got past 1 defender, then 2, then 3 it was just her and the goalie. She shot and, Boom, it landed right in the corner of the goal. The whistle blew, the game was over, and they won. Faith was a hero Woo Hoo! The End.
Pterodactyls
Wings are for swooping to catch fish
Sharp talons are for catching fish
Sharp teeth are for eating fish
If Dinosaurs Existed Today

If dinosaurs existed today it would be dangerous on earth because they would smash cars and buildings. They would knock down all the trees in the town. If dinosaurs existed today I would move to space.
The Three Musketeers and Goldilocks

Once upon a time there was a pretty princess named Goldilocks. She was walking to her aunt's house when a fox joined her. He pretended to be her friend. The fox asked Goldilocks, "Do you want to race?" Goldilocks said yes. They started to race and fox took a shortcut. Goldilocks was confused! She asked herself, "What is he doing?!" Then Goldilocks fell into a trap. She screamed for help, as the fox ran to her aunt's house with a sneaky smile. Goldilocks felt worried, because she didn't know what he would do to her aunt. Just then three men passed by, "They are the Three Musketeers!" Goldilocks said. The Three Musketeers helped her get out of the trap. The four ran as fast as they could to her aunt's house, but they were too late. The fox gobbled her up! Goldilocks screamed, "What can we do?!" The fox attacked the Three Musketeers, but the Three Musketeers defeated him. Somehow the aunt got out of the fox's tummy. Everyone lived happily ever after!
How to Make a Paper Flower

You will need:

- Scissors
- Pencil
- Colored Paper
- Markers
- Glue

First, pick two colored papers. Next draw a big circle in the middle of the color of flower you want. Third, draw the petals. Fourth draw a little circle in the middle of the big circle. Five, color the petal in and trace the circle with a black marker. Draw a stem on the other paper. Seven, cut out the flower. Eight, make sure that you have all your scraps in the garbage. Nine don’t forget to outline the stem toc. Tenth, cut out the stem. Then glue the stem to the flower. Write your name on the back of the flower in pencil. Then you are done!
I Love Grapes

I love grapes because they're juicy.

I love grapes because they make things.

I love grapes because they grow on vines.

Eat some grapes. I think you will like them.
Lemurs

Lemurs are white and gray. There are 100s of different kinds of lemurs. Lemurs are super leapers. A lemur can jump from tree to tree easily.

Once there was a lemur named Zaboo. Zaboo is black and white with orange eyes. Zaboo brought his family to a fair. Zaboo and his family rode on the rides, ate food, and went to a show at the fair. Zaboo and his family talked about the fair for weeks after and are excited to go next year!
Letter to Grandpa

Dear Grandpa,

About Boy Scout camp. It was raining when we set up camp. It took an hour and we went to bed. When we got up, we went to breakfast and we ate French Toast. Then we went swimming.

I had fun!

Sincerely,
Cheetahs

I am learning about big cats because they are interesting. I learned about big cats from reading books. Cheetahs half to what 20 or 30 minutes before they can eat after they run. Cheetahs make lots of noise like chirping, purring, growling and hissing. Cheetah males and females live separately. Cheetahs don't only eat big animals. They eat rabbits, hares, and lizards. Cheetahs take baths by licking them selves. They can live in Africa or in zoos. I learned a lot about Cheetahs.
Bob the Dog

Bob is a nice dog. He is nice and grouchy but he loves the backyard. He sleeps there and plays there. It is his favorite place to play. One day we could not find Bob. We looked everywhere. So we drove around the town and we still could not find him. So we went to PetCo to buy Bob some treats. Hopefully he would come back. We saw a dog. He looked like Bob, and it was Bob. We found him! The next day he ate all the treats.

[Hand-drawn dog image]
A Poem about Dogs and Cats

Dogs
Energetic, Overjoyed
Chasing, Barking, Chewing

Playful and Happy Pets
Cuddling, Meowing, Clawing
Whiskered, Snappy

Cats
My First Double

One of the most fun games was when I hit my first double. I was not best baseball player. I did not hit the ball a lot because I dropped my hands. My dad videotaped me hitting, and I watched and learned. My dad and me did soft tosses. A soft toss is where someone stands beside you and throws the ball into you, and you hit the ball into a fence. Also, I learned to throw my hands at the ball. I kept on trying to hit home runs. My coach's told me to hit a line drive. It was game time. We warmed up first. We were the away team so we hit first. I was the fifth one to bat. Two people got on base and then I bat. I am up to bat. Strike 1. Strike 2. Strike 3. I got struck out. In the third inning I got struck out again. In the fifth inning I am up to bat first. Pitch. I saw it and I hit the ball over the first baseman, and I ran as fast as I could. I hit my first double!