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

-Dr. Seuss
Dear Families of Reading Clinic Participants:

We would like to thank every student who participated in the UNI Reading Clinic. It has been an exciting semester, and we all have learned a lot. The tutors, supervisors, and instructors have enjoyed working with your children. Their smiles and enthusiasm brightened the tutoring experience!

We would also like to thank the families that encouraged their students’ participation and made it possible for them to come work with us. We appreciate that you rearranged your schedules to benefit your children and to help UNI students learn. It has been a privilege working with your children.

This booklet is filled with writing pieces from each student. Your children, the authors, deserve much of the credit. They have worked very hard to make sure their pieces are ready for presentation. Each story is as unique as the student who wrote it! We hope you enjoy reading each story in this booklet and sharing that experience with your child.

Sincerely,

UNI Reading Tutors, Supervisors, and Instructors Fall 2015
Sam is a Person

Sam is a girl and she likes to write books. Sam is sad because she lost her favorite book. Now she wants to write another book. Now her pencil is missing too! Now she has to buy a box of pencils. After she bought the pencils she went home. She looked under the bed and she found everything! She still used her old stuff. She wants to make more new books. She collected more money for a bookshelf to put the new books on. She was very happy that she found her stuff.
How To Carve a Pumpkin

Step 1) Get a pumpkin from the farm stand.
Step 2) Get knife from the kitchen.
Step 3) Cut a pumpkin at the stem and take all of the stem off.
Step 4) Take out the gooey things with a spoon.
Step 5) Cut eyes, nose, and mouth.
Step 6) Put a fire lamp inside to make the pumpkin glow.

My pumpkin is crazy because it is a vampire.
The New Pony

There is a girl and a boy. They are brother and sister. They live on a farm. They are playing with a horse. The horse was mad and did not like it and the boy got hurt. Their dad got mad and the boy and girl got in trouble. They were grounded for two weeks and the boy said, “Come on! We want to play!” The dad said, “Sorry.” He felt bad for being mean. He said, “You can get out!” The girl and boy went outside now. They saw a new pony! Their dad felt so bad that he got them a new pony. The end!
A Christmas Story About Santa Cat

Santa Cat is a robber and his family left cookies, milk, and presents out. Santa Cat came from the chimney and he ate the cookies, drank the milk, and took the presents from the kids. It was Christmas and the kids did not get any presents. They saw cat foot prints. The kids were sad because Christmas was ruined. The next Christmas Santa Cat was good and friendly. Now the kids got presents. The kids were happy.

The End.
My Bird
Mother bird lay eggs in a nest. My bird eats worms. My bird is red. A bird made a nest.
Dear Mr. Litwin,

How do you draw a picture? I like to read your books. I like your book. I like the drawings. I like to play soccer. Does Pete play soccer?

Thank you,
Going On a Field Trip

Today is my birthday. My family and I are going on a field trip to Evansdale. We are going to a slide. Then I will go play on the pirate ship. Finally, I will throw water balloons at my brother and my sister.
Mom

My mom likes presents.
My mom likes to open the presents.
She got a computer.

My mom likes food.
Her favorite food is chicken.
Once upon a time there was a King Kong and a girl. King Kong got a girl and they ran so far. King Kong was so big when King Kong got mad he destroyed the cars and the train. When the girl ran away, King Kong was sad. The end.
Pancakes for breakfast

The sun came up and it was morning. A woman was in her bed. She woke up. She wanted pancakes. She got her bowl and flour, but there were no eggs. The woman went to the barn to get the eggs. Then she went back to her home. She did not have milk. She went to the barn to get milk from the cow. She went back to her home. Then she made butter. She put it on the table. She did not have syrup. She went to a man’s house. The man said “What do you want?” The woman said “I need syrup”. Then the woman said “thank you, goodbye”. When she got home the dog and the cat spilled all the butter, eggs, flour and milk. She thought “oh my gosh!” She smelled pancakes, so she went to a woman’s house. Then she ate all the pancakes and they were yummy.
Sting in Space!

Sting is a black bear. He lives in a cave. He likes to go in space. He likes to take pictures of the planets. Sting went to his space rocket and drove the rocket into space.

5 hours later Sting didn’t hold on the rope and floated away. Sting floated very far away from the space rocket and he was lost in space. He felt scared and sad. Sting missed his family and friends because he couldn’t get home. He went to the moon and he saw something. It was his space rocket!

Sting felt happy when he saw his space rocket. Sting was happy that he went back home. Sting looked at his pictures. His pictures were funny for him. He was super excited for next ride to space.
The Three Rocks

Once upon a time there were three rocks. And their names are Benny and Lauren and Kole. The rocks had mouths. They can see but they have no eyeballs. They are nice and friendly and kind. The rocks are at a house at lunch time. The rocks were saying weird stuff so the kid zipped their mouths shut. And a couple of minutes later the kid zipped the rock mouths back open and the rocks were happy.
Along time ago there was a man that was going to the planets. The man was traveling to Mars. When the man landed he wanted to build a space station. When the man was building the space station he said, “Oh no! I’m running out of air and a boulder just hit my ship!” The man noticed that the men who gave him his tank put twenty hours in his tank. And he finished the space station and he put the first flag on Mars. And he went back to Earth.
The Titanic Mystery

In 1912 the Titanic started its first voyage. One day in the ocean I rode on the Titanic. I said, "This ship is unsinkable." I saw the crew members. They were the people who work for Captain Smith. One night the crew invited passengers to the first voyage party. There were musicians. Some played violins. Some even played cellos and more music instruments. When the party started I was eating meat with juice. It was yummy. My friend Alaniz went with me but she was scared that the Titanic was going to sink. I said, "It will not sink." Then she said, "Whatever!" Her and I danced. Then we went to see Captain Smith. Alaniz and I asked, "Will the Titanic sink?" He said, "What are you crazy! This ship will not sink." Then I said, "Are sure it will not sink?" Then Captain just left and Alaniz and I went to sleep.

Then one morning we had coffee and a roll for breakfast. It was so good! We asked for more and there was none. We were sad but I said "Can I make some rolls?" The chefs said, "Sure, if you make super awesome rolls!" I asked the passengers if they wanted to try my rolls and they said, "Yes." They even asked for more. Captain Smith was super impressed. I asked if he will try one of my rolls. He said, "Yes" and then he said, "Yummy."

More days and days came by. One night Alaniz and I were sleeping but I didn't want to go to sleep. I woke up Alaniz and I said, "Let's go for a walk." Alaniz said, "Yes!!!" Then the crew spotted something in its way. Back then they did not have binoculars so the people were trying to figure out what was it. Other ships send them messages about icebergs so they knew it was an iceberg. Alaniz and I saw the iceberg. We were really shocked. Then the crew rang the bell. They started to get the lifeboats and water was coming in. Alaniz and I took the first lifeboat. We saw it sink. We were sad because people died in the freezing cold water even babies died. As the ship sank all the lights turned off. People were asking for help but the crew said, "We will tip over if there is a lot of passengers!" The ship sunk and all of the lifeboats were gone. Captain Smith died with the ship. Then Alaniz and I saw a boat called Carpathia. They looked for other passengers but they saw people dead and frozen.

Alaniz and I went back home. The people were looking for their lost ones that died. Then we cooked my rolls with coffee and we went to the airplane to see where the ship sank. Then later we went home. Alaniz cried, "I am not going to a ship ever in my life." I said, "Me too." Then we had a happy life.

I hope you guys like my story!!! The end!!!
The Park

On Sunday Sa Nay Moe and I went to the park. We exercised at the park. It was really fun! First, we played tag. Tag helps us to run well. Then, we went down the slide. Next, we went on the swings. The swings made our tummies tickle. Last, we went swimming. We took our swimming suits. We had a lot of fun at the park!
My house is Silly

I watch TV any day. I look at books. I’m not reading a book when I sleep at my home. I am so silly. I like the book Silly Milly. On the weekend I am happy there is no school. I like to play with my sister and brother. My brother and sister are silly like me and Silly Milly too. We play silly.
The Three Little Pigs

The three little pigs were living with their mother. They were growing up to be men. Their mother told them to build a house. So they did, the first little pig built a hay house. The second little pig built his house out of wood. The third little pig built his house out of strong bricks. The first little pig and the second little pig laughed about him because his house cost a lot of money, but he didn't care. The wolf came and said let me in, I'm just a little old lady. I need help!!!! He didn't like people at nighttime so the first little pig didn't open the door. The wolf was mad and he blew the house down. Then the first little pig ran into the second little pig's house. The first little pig said, "The wolf is coming!!!!" The second little pig said, "He won't get past my wooden house!" And the wolf blew so long he blew the house down. They ran to the third little pig's house and the wolf came. He tried to blow the house down, but it did not work. He tried the canon but it didn't work. The wolf tried to climb the roof and he went down the chimney. He was cooked because the third little pig was cooking chicken soup. The wolf ran forever and never came back again.
No Homework for Henry

Henry hates to do homework, 
excuses are all he has to give. 
Like, "My dog ate my homework!" 
He has to do it in order to live.

He will get in trouble, 
if he doesn't do it. 
His parents yell at him, 
as he throws a fit.

He screams and runs, 
he goes to his room. 
He hides in the closet, 
as he slams the door and makes a big boom!

He does his homework. 
He does not like this. 
He tries to get out of it, 
so he gives it to his little sis.

She colors on his homework. 
The next day he turns it in. 
The teacher asks, "Who colored on it?" 
He's quiet and she counts to ten.

She calls home, 
he hides behind the lamp. 
His parents say this is the last straw, 
then they ship him off to boot camp.
New Phone

Old phones are not good. New phones are better because you can do a lot more on them. You can watch anything on YouTube, and on songs you can look up any song, that’s great. When you play games it goes smoothly, but not slow.

YouTube has so many videos, and with a new phone you can watch all of them. There are always new music videos to watch for all of your favorite songs. Watching Jackie Chan is kind of funny because they know Kung Fu. Bereghost is like the funniest movie ever, I watch it a lot now.

On a new phone you can play so many games. I like playing subway surf, because you can get new characters. I like playing temple run on a new phone because you can finish your daily logs faster. You can download ROBLOX faster and create a new character more easily on a new phone.

Songs on a new phone are better because the song can’t lag and skip voices. I really like listening to the Peanuts’ introduction song on a new phone. Pokémon songs are better because they have a good voice instead of a slow voice. Hunger Games songs remind me of being epic on ROBLOX. I can play both the song and the game at the same time on a new phone.

These three main things you can do on a new phone are why I think new phones are much better than old phones. You can’t watch Youtubes on an old phone, download games or listen to clear songs, but not a slow song. You should definitely get new phone! YEAH!
Carman

Once upon a time there was a guy named Carman. Carman saw a pirate that was a villain so he put the pirate in jail. The jail had 100 cells and was very big and long. There was a police that gave Carman free chocolate candy. Just then, Carman saw a car that was going 99 miles per hour. “Get him and catch him!” Carman yelled. Then he caught him and put him in jail. He also saw a hat that was a car! He went to grab the hat and then he turned into a car! “Cool, I’m a car!” he shouted.

Then he saw a big, orange animatronic fox that was a robot. Carman and the fox got into a fight. Carman lost to the fox and was sad because he was defeated. The fox went back to his big home and he ate pepperoni pizza to celebrate his win. The fox was so happy that he ate 10 pepperoni pizzas. He was so full so he went to sleep until it was daytime.
The Death Book

One day Jack was bored. One evening he went to the library. He went to look at a book. Everyone was warned except for Jack. He checked out the book. He went home to read the book. He thought he should read it at night time.

It was starting to get dark. It was 7:00 pm. Jack’s friend said let’s go home it is getting darker. Jack was on his way home. Jack was half way to his house.

He went upstairs. He took off his clothes and took a shower. He put on his sleeping clothes. He went to get ready for bed. He gets in a comfy position. Then he took the book out. He opened the book. After that a ghost came out and grabbed his soul and kept pulling it. The ghost took Jack’s soul and put it into the book. Jack was never seen again.

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Polar Bear Fun

The polar bear has a new baby.

The Mama Polar bear gives the baby bear milk to help it grow.

The baby bear grows and gives the Mom fish.
The Best Girl of the Land

One day, there was one princess named Alaniz. She lived in one pretty castle. She was the best girl in all the land. In one part of the land, there was a bad witch. She used a black horrible dress. She was bad because she said, "I’m the best woman for all the land!" The land said, "No, the best is the princess, Alaniz." "Whattt," said the witch and her face put on the color green. The witch was so angry and she said, "Dragon, go and eat princess Alaniz. She looks so good." The dragon said, "Okay. Yes! Time to eat my snack. Yuppi!!!!" The dragon went to the castle. The princess looked out the window and said, "No, please, don’t eat meeee...." The princess went to the phone. The princess put some numbers in and the princess said, "Prince, come to my castle. Here is one dragon. This is the start to you looking for your mom, the witch!" The prince said, "Okay, I’m going so fast." The prince went to the castle, but the dragon put fire on the prince and the prince died. The princess used her magic and she pushed the dragon to the ocean. The princess used her magic again and she made the witch disappear. Then the princess lived super happy with her friends Daniela and Estefania.

The End
Roxy the Superhero

Once upon a time there was a town named Folktown. One day a dragon came to town it attacked children. Knights attacked with their powers but died! Fairies attacked with their powers but failed. But then Roxy came to the rescue. Princesses and fairies screaming, “Help!” Then Roxy became a dragon! Roxy roared, “Leave them alone!” The dragon screamed and flew away. The town was okay ever since Roxy came.

The End.
The Defenders of Earth

One day on peaceful Earth, aliens arrived to Earth to destroy Earth if they won a game of soccer. So the president said to the soccer lead, “Go and look for one of the best soccer players.”

So they did and found Cristiano Ronaldo, Keylons Navas, Messi, Bale, Roney, Robben, and Pel Pel. So they trained and trained. On match day, they went out to space and played. Then, the aliens were winning. Then, the humans tried their hardest and caught up to the aliens, and then Messi scored the last goal. Then, the humans won. 40 years later, the aliens came again.
The Harp

So it’s true he thought, it’s really true. He will see the beautiful woman playing the harp. He fell in love with her but he didn’t know it’s a ghost. The beautiful woman caught him and she thought that he went to tell the village. He didn’t tell the village. He told her he won’t tell anyone even his friends. She didn’t believe him that he told the village. He told her “I just wanted to listen to your music.” She smiled at him and said “it’s okay.” He will never tell his secret about going there after work. But he will never know she’s a ghost. The next day in his village they talked about the ghost woman who played the harp. He didn’t believe that beautiful woman was a ghost. Then he went to the river to see and ask her a question. “Are you a ghost?” the man said. She told the truth. She said “yes!” She asked the man to forgive her. “I pretended to not know you but I saw you,” said the man. Then the man said to her “I love you” and the woman said “I love you too.” They lived happily ever after.
My First Trip To Mexico

When I got to Mexico I was super excited. I finally got to see my grandma, Isidra, for the first time. It was awesome. I got to ride horses and wait... Milk a cow! By the way, the milk is warm. For some reason, when you make a clicking noise the horse starts to dance. When you say "oh" two times the horse stops walking, galloping, and dancing.

My grandma is super nice. She grabs her chicks and let us name them. My uncle also lives there, and he has three sons Ricardo, Herardo, and Eduardo. When I went to visit I asked them "Do you know how to play tag?" they said no. since they didn't know how to, I taught them a lot about tag. It took about five minutes for them to understand. It was a great trip! I might go in 2016.
The Invention of Beth Bubblegum!

One day there was a girl named Beth. She loved chewing bubblegum so much that she would chew the flavor right out of it! So, Beth invented everlasting flavored bubblegum.

Beth tried and tried to come up with the right amount of flavoring. She wanted to have her gum taste like fresh blueberries. Beth added tons and tons of blueberry flavoring AND so fresh blueberries, but it was still not ever lasting.

Beth decided to add 100 fresh blueberries and 101 more drops of flavoring and THAT finally made her gum have ever lasting flavor.

Beth has been chewing that same piece for 6 years and it still has that very, blueberry flavor she invented ever lasting flavored bubblegum!
To My Friends

Be lenient to your friends when they come visit you
and let them feel at home.

Friends might get famished at your house, but
don't be shy to say you are hungry because they will let you eat something.

Always be nice to your friends
if they win, even if they beat you in a game. Be happy for them.

Sometimes your friends can be an obstacle to you.
Like when they don't know something and they need help.
They might ask a lot of questions too.

Your friends can get mad at you
if you don't take turns picking something when you're partners.
Then you guys will be apart but will be best friends again soon.

If you dare your friends don't dare them bad things.
They might hate you and you will feel bad. Also, you might not get to dare her
anymore.
So always be nice.

Have fun
and be best friends forever!
Mortal Kombat

In Mortal Kombat there are four people and one strongest bad guy. The four people in Mortal Kombat are Vos the Sub-Zero, Wrange the Scorpion, Jesus the Raiden, and E. Reh the Johnny Cage, and the bad guy named Noob.

"My team Sub-Zero, Scorpion, and Johnny Cage are the best," said Raiden.

"I can grab your shadows, and kill them!" yelled Noob.

3 Days Later

Bat at Sub-Zero's house

"Are we going to beat him?" said Sub-Zero.

"Who?" said Scorpion.

"Noob," responded Sub-Zero.

"Hey Sub-Zero, what is 5x5?" said Scorpion.

"25. Wait a minute, do you think I am dumb?" said Sub-Zero.

"No," responded Scorpion.
TMNT

Their master lives in Japan. He moved to New York. Master Yoshi likes rats and he saw four turtles. They grow up to be TMNT. The blue turtle is Leo, the red turtles is Raphael, the purple turtles is Donnie, and the orange turtles is Mikey. They fight evil. They are not evil at all. The real evil is Shredder. The evil goes into his heart and control him to fight the turtles.

My Good Friend Black Crayon

Dear Ms. Kickbush,

You never use me to color with and that is why I am the tallest crayon in the box. Please use me to draw something like a black car, instead of using pink crayon to draw cars. You always think that I am a boy crayon, but I am actually a girl. Please don’t forget about me!

Sincerely,

Your never used friend Black Crayon
Students Nightmare

School might seem fun at first but not always. Long classes are super boring like Social Studies. Annoying quizzes always get in your way of playing but instead you have to study.

Sleepy Heads

Long classes

Silly Teachers

Sloppy handwriting

Boring Classes

Hard Homework

Annoying Quizzes
All About Me

Acrostic Poem

Brainy
Artist
Intelligent
Loveable
Energetic
Young

Happy
Excellent
Likeable
Loves to write
Marvelous
Athletic
Nice
My Tutor

My tutor Mr. Wrage is the best tutor I have ever known. Mr. Wrage helped me over these 10 weeks with my writing and helped me become a better reader. Mr. Wrage is nice to me because he makes me happy when he lets me play on the computer, we laugh together, and he is awesome. Mr. Wrage helps me with my writing by brain storming, helps me spell a word I don’t know, and editing my work. Mr. Wrage helped me become a better reader by teaching me different strategies to use when I am stuck on a word. Mr. Wrage is the best because he is nice, helps me become a better writer, and helps me become a better reader.
Dog Breeds

Some dog breeds that I know are Rottweilers, Yorkies, Jack Russell Terriers, Bull Mastiffs, and Huskies. Huskies are known for pulling the sled in Alaska for many miles. Bull Mastiffs are very big and intelligent. Rottweilers are very good family dogs. They are very protective and courageous. Jack Russell Terriers are also good family dogs and good lap dogs. Yorkies like to bark a lot. Their bark is annoying. These are some breeds that I know.

Huskies, Rottweilers, Bull Mastiffs, and Jack Russell Terriers love to run out in the open during the summer season. When these dogs run they feel joyful and energetic. The others like to be held on your lap at all times.
Once upon a time, there was a girl who was really bored and lonely. She went in her room and found a magical red chalk. She drew a door on the wall and she went inside. When she was out she saw a forest filled with lights. She saw a river and she drew a boat with the chalk and she rode in the boat. When she was on the boat, she saw a kingdom where the roads were filled with water. She made friends with the guards. When she was almost to the end of the road and about to fall, she drew a hot-air balloon with her chalk. She flew away as she waved at the guards.

The girl saw a different guard trying to catch a purple bird. Then she saw the guard catch the purple bird. When she finally landed on their flying boat she followed the guards. Then she went away and when she got to the end of the boat, she let the bird go free. Next the guard put her in a big cage and the leader of the guards threw away the chalk but the bird came and gave her the chalk and saved her. The girl drew a rectangle and it turned into a flying carpet so she followed the bird. When she finally landed, the bird opened a small door which the girl and the bird went in and then she was back in her home town. The girl saw a boy who was the one who brought the bird to life. The boy had a magical purple chalk. Then they played with each other with the chalks. The girl and the boy became friends.

The End.
I hate homework!

Homework is the thing that kids hate, but it actually helps you learn and graduate high school or college. Some kids would say it's hard, it's confusing but that's how homework is. Kids or students should be given three homework assignments a day, because they probably think it wastes their time. Just give them homework that takes about five minutes so after they are done they can play and they can also have free time and enjoy activities. I feel like without homework you wouldn't learn everything about math, science, social studies, religion, LA, or even learning English. So I know that kids hate homework so do adults like teachers and our parents. No matter what, homework will appear at your face everyday even to adults. Why? Because parents have homework such as paying bills for light, electricity, water and a lot more things. Homework also appears to God because he takes care of our world everyday. It's not like he just sits down and does nothing, everyday he organizes this world so that we would survive in order to live on this planet. So what I am saying is that it's fine that kids have homework but just give them some time to rest so after they are done resting you can let them finish their work. Don't yell at your kid's just give them time and I am sure they will appreciate it. Homework is important in this world. Everyday people have homework even the poor people because finding shelter is like math and LA. You have to know where shelter is and how many feet or blocks away to find that place. I recommend that homework is always important and that we should work on it so that we can settle college, house bills and other things. Homework will be your friend one day and also never say "I HATE HOMEWORK!"
Reading Clinic Mad Lib

Direction: Fill in the blank spaces in the box without reading the story below. After you finish, copy the words from the box into the story and read the mad lib you created.

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My name is ___________ and my tutor’s name is ___________.

1. Name 1

__________. We _________ games like ___________.

2. Name 2

3. Verb

4. Game

and ___________. It is ___________ to learn and read about ___________, ___________, and ___________. My favorite thing to play is ___________. I like to have ___________ for snack.

5. Another Game

6. Adjective

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9. Plural Noun

10. Plural Noun

11. Food

Reading clinic is ___________ because of my tutor

12. Adjective

__________! ____________!

13. Name 2 Again

14. Silly Word
Christmas

What is the word that comes to your mind when I say Christmas? Presents! Yeah, yeah, I know everyone loves getting presents on Christmas, but why? From what I know, it’s a tradition that symbolizes how we love each other. What do you think? On Christmas, we celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Messiah. God sent us his son so that he could save us.

During the month of December, we gather around with our family. We talk about Jesus and God. We sing and we celebrate how Jesus was born! Jesus is a perfect model for us. He is kind, loving, and very forgiving, like God. For all that I know, when Jesus was born, the people were very happy. He is the Messiah and He is going to save us and forgive our sins. Remember, we should be celebrating more about Jesus because he deserves it.

I think presents might be the most wonderful things you can receive on Christmas. Throughout your life, you have known a person for a while. They have shown you love and respect. You know them, you have learned about them, you know what their favorite color is, and well, who they are! A present is a gift of love. An example is when my mom is with me and she tells me she loves me. That is a gift more worthy than an actual present. Everyone deserves love and the best way of showing it is by words and action. It’s better to be living in a home than a house because a home is where your family is and that’s the best present you will ever get.

So always remember, on Christmas you should be thankful for what you have. One of the best presents you can get is from the love of Jesus.