

THE 'NEVER' PICTURE BOOKS: TEACHING IDEAS



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NEVER SHOW A T-REX A BOOK

Themes: reading for pleasure, books of all kinds, libraries, curiosity, a love of learning, ambition, jobs, the power of the imagination, dinosaurs

LITERACY: 'WHAT IF'/'NEVER' as a story-starter, discussion around types of books.

PSHE: Libraries, jobs, how reading/loving learning can open doors

ART: How the words and pictures work together. Design your own book cover.

Activity sheet: Design Your Own Book Cover

NEVER TEACH A STEGOSAURUS TO DO SUMS

Themes: STEM/STE(A)M, dinosaurs, robots, space, rockets, the imagination

LITERACY: 'WHAT IF'/'NEVER' as a story-starter. What else might Steggy do?

ART: Draw robots/rockets/alien friends.

SCIENCE/TOPIC: Discuss who Katherine Johnson is/other space role models. Discuss coding and what it lets you do/create.

Activity sheet: Design Your Own Robot. Colouring-in sheet.

NEVER LET A DIPLODOCUS DRAW

Themes: art, mixed media, creativity, fame, famous art galleries, auctions, dinosaurs

LITERACY: 'WHAT IF'/'NEVER' story-starters. What else might Dippy do?

ART: Experiment with different art media like Dippy. Design your own pictures/wallpaper/cakes/clothes. Discuss the artists featured in the book and look at their art styles.

Activity sheet: Book-themed art activities

