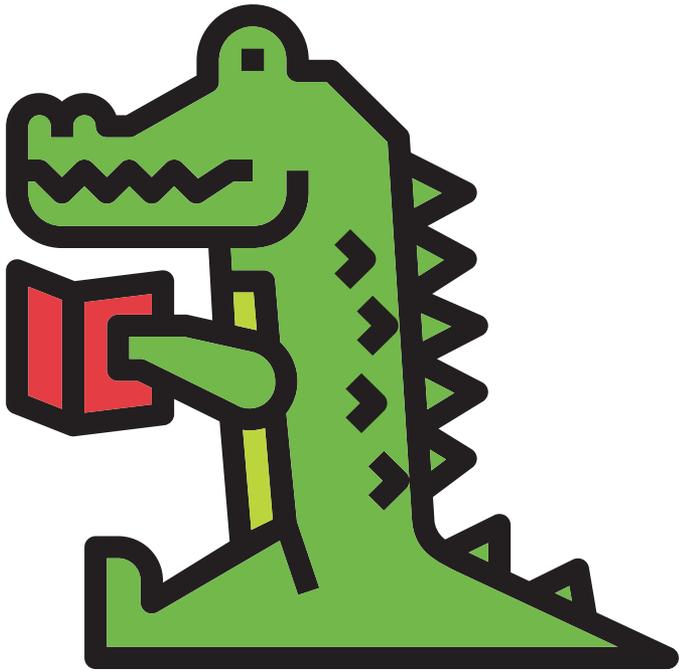


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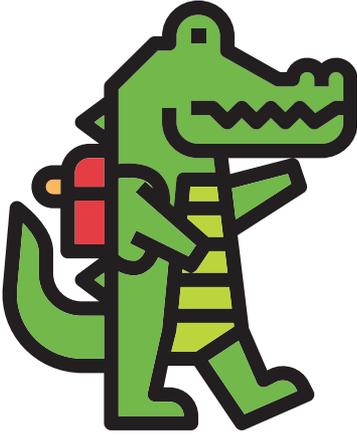
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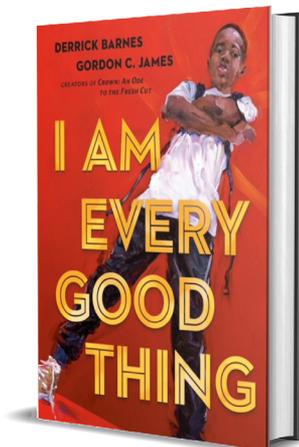
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**NOLA READERS 2.0** is a cool club just for second graders like you! Members of this club love to read. We read plenty of books at the New Orleans Public Library and at the Louisiana Children’s Museum. This year, we had the pleasure of reading a very special book titled *I Am Every Good Thing* by Derrick Barnes, which we read on our field trips to both fun places. The activities in this booklet are connected to the book and to our lives.



# EXPLORING BOOKS AND MORE

If you liked *I Am Every Good Thing*, then you may like:

- *A Girl like Me* by Angela Johnson
- *A Kid is a Kid is a Kid* by Sara O'Leary
- *All are Welcome* by Alexandra Penfold
- *Be You!* by Peter H. Reynolds
- *Everything in Its Place: A Story of Books and Belonging* by Pauline David-Sax
- *I Am Enough* by Grace Byers
- *I Promise* by LeBron James
- *Life Doesn't Frighten Me* by Maya Angelou
- *The Magical Yet* by Angela DiTerlizzi
- *Milo Imagines the World* by Matt de la Peña
- *My Pen* by Christopher Myers
- *Stacey's Extraordinary Words* by Stacey Abrams
- *There's Only One You* by Kathryn Heling and Deborah Hembrook
- *Windows* by Julia Denos
- *Wonderful You* by Eric Carle
- *You Matter* by Christian Robinson.
- *You are Ready!: The World is Waiting* by Eric Carle

**Online Resources:** Borrow e-books, e-audiobooks, and more! With your library card you can stream and download through Hoopla, Tumble, and others at [nolalibrary.org/books-movies-more/stream-download/](https://nolalibrary.org/books-movies-more/stream-download/).

**Explore Your City Like in the Book:** Check out local cultural institutions and attractions for free through the Culture Pass program! Visit [culturepass.nolalibrary.org](https://culturepass.nolalibrary.org) to make a reservation.

**More books and events at your local Library:** To see a complete list of programs and events at New Orleans Public Library check out our events calendar at: [nolalibrary.org/events/](https://nolalibrary.org/events/)

**Louisiana Children's Museum** has a book nook in each gallery and an entire Talk and Play Center dedicated to literacy. Did you know that the Talk and Play Center is free and open to the public? Our story times there are 11 am and 1pm, Wednesday–Saturday.

# FAVORITE THINGS

**“I AM EVERY GOOD THING THAT MAKES THE WORLD GO ROUND.”**

What are some of your favorite things to do? Draw a picture of you doing one of those things.

**Some things to think about:** Where are you? Who is there with you? How are you feeling?



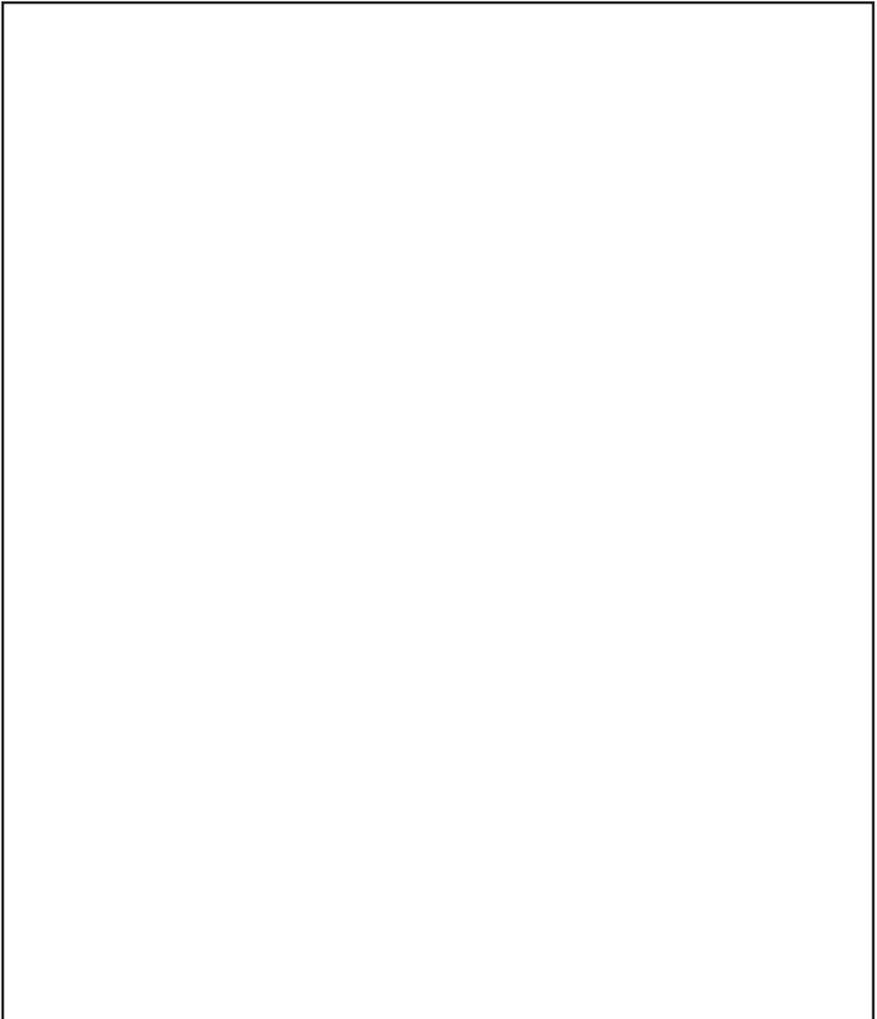


# MUSIC

**“I’M THE PERFECT BEAT, THE PERFECT RHYME,  
KEEPING EVERYTHING ON POINT AND ALWAYS  
ON TIME.”**

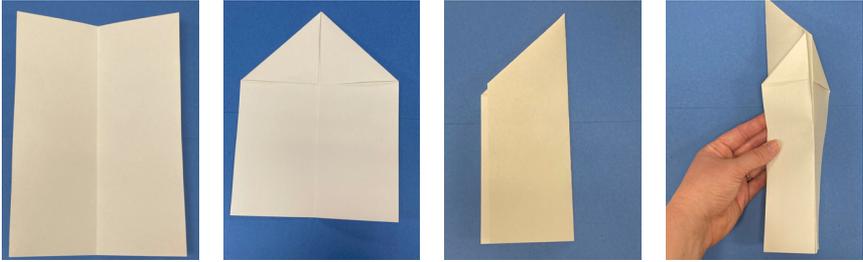
The character in the story really loved playing instruments.  
Draw a picture of you playing an instrument.

**Something to think about:** Why did you choose that instrument?

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for a student to draw a picture of themselves playing an instrument.

# PAPER AIRPLANE

**“I AM A COOOOOL BREEZE. A PERFECT PAPER AIRPLANE THAT GLIDES FOR BLOCKS, FOR MILES, FOREVER.”**



- 1.** Fold the paper in half vertically.
- 2.** Unfold and then fold the top two corners into the center line.
- 3.** Again, fold the paper in half.
- 4.** Finally, fold the edges down to meet the bottom of the body.

Distance: Measure how far your plane travels. You can measure with a ruler or you can measure with objects. For example, how many inches or feet did it fly or how many of your hands or your shoes did it fly?

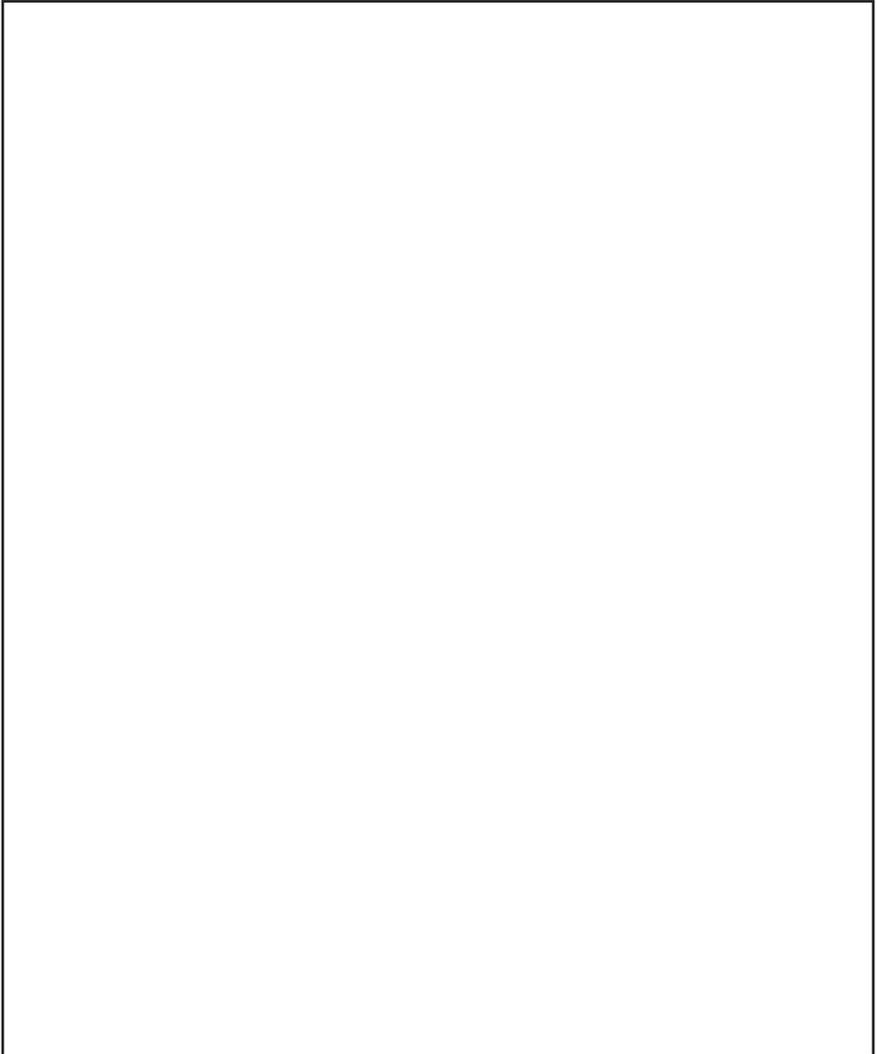
**Something to think about:** Is there a way that you can make it fly farther? Faster?

# INSPIRATION

**“I AM BRAVE. I AM HOPE. I AM MY ANCESTORS’  
WILDEST DREAMS.”**

Who are some people who inspire you? Draw a picture of someone who inspires you.

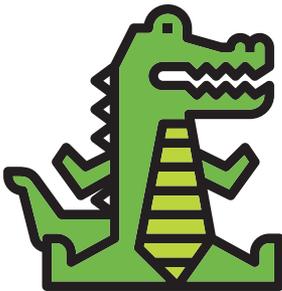
**Something to think about:** Why does this person inspire you?



# HILARIOUS

**“I AM HILARIOUS. I AM THE LIFE OF THE PARTY. I AM THAT SMILE FORMING ON YOUR FACE RIGHT NOW.”**

1. Why did the bananas go to the doctor?
2. What did the left eye say to the right eye?
3. Why is 6 afraid of 7?
4. How do you throw a party in space?
5. What has four wheels and flies?
6. What did zero say to eight?
7. Why did the music teacher need a ladder?



1. It wasn't peeling well.
2. Between us, something smells.
3. Because 7 & 9.
4. You plan-er!
5. A garbage truck
6. Nice belt.
7. To reach the high notes.

# I AM POEM

## “I AM WORTHY TO BE LOVED.”

Write your own “I am” poem by filling in the blanks. Of course, you may want to add more lines to this poem to celebrate all the wonderful things about you:

I am \_\_\_\_\_

I feel \_\_\_\_\_

I think \_\_\_\_\_

I wonder \_\_\_\_\_

I hope \_\_\_\_\_

I try \_\_\_\_\_

I want \_\_\_\_\_

I see \_\_\_\_\_

I can \_\_\_\_\_

I am \_\_\_\_\_

# BOOKMARK

Cut and paste the words below to create your own NOLA Readers 2.0 Affirmation bookmark.

Powerful      Difference Maker

Go-Getter      Full of Light

Every Good Thing      Good

Kind      Polite      Wisdom

Flame of Creativity      Cool

Knowledge      Star-filled

Hilarious      Life of the Party

Smile      Grand Slam

Celebration      Victory

Superhero      Force of Nature

Miracle      Blessing

Brave      Worthy to Be Loved

Ancestors' Wildest Dream

Worthy      Successful

Respect      Kindness

Happiness      Hope

## NOLA READERS 2.0 AFFIRMATION BOOKMARK

I AM...

