Pop-up Card: Favorite Book Scene

**WORKSHOP TITLE**

**DESCRIPTION**

*El Día de los Niños*, also known as *El Día de los Libros*, celebrates children of all nationalities and cultures. Celebrated annually on April 30 in Mexico, this day highlights the importance of literacy across linguistic backgrounds and cultures.

Books can help you imagine, learn, and understand the world around you. This activity will immerse you into the world of reading! Think about your favorite book scene: Does it take place in the ocean, on a boat, or in a far off country? Where do your favorite books take you? This activity will guide you through the process of turning your favorite book scene into a pop-up card.

**MATERIALS**

- 2 sheets of white paper or any other solid color
- crayons
- markers

- pencil
- eraser
- scissors
- glue
- ruler

**ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS**

1. How does reading influence our imagination?

2. What wonderful places can reading take us and what things can you learn more about by reading?

**BOOK READ ALOUD**

Listen to musical duo 123 Andrés, read:

**Ten Little Birds/ Diez Pajaritos**

Written by 123 Andrés.
Illustrated by Sara Palacios.
Video available on LA Plaza’s YouTube channel.

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Books can take us to many magical and fascinating places. With your favorite book scene in mind:

1. Hold the paper vertically and fold in half.

2. This fold will divide the background from the foreground of your card. Begin drawing each area in.

3. Fold the paper again along the same crease with your drawing on the inside.
   - With the fold closest to you, measure one inch above the fold and make a small mark on each end of the paper.

4. With the scissors, vertically cut up to those two marks. You should have two cuts that can now be folded to create a flap.

5. Open the card up and pop out the flap. Next, fold the card down again.

6. Take a moment to think about what you want to draw on the flap.
   - Erase any excess pencil marks.

7. Next, color in your drawing using markers or crayons.

8. Now that you have drawn all the elements of your favorite book scene, cut them out! Remember to always ask for help from an adult when using scissors.

9. Once cut, glue everything together onto the pop-up flap. Carefully add glue to the flap and begin adhering all your elements.
   - Press each piece down and allow time to dry.

10. Add any final details!

RESOURCES TO EXPLORE TOGETHER

1. 123 Andrés: Music, books, and more for families, in Spanish and English: www.123andres.com
SUMMER READING LIST


COOL PLACES TO FIND BOOKS

1. **Tía Chucha’s Centro Cultural & Bookstore**: www.tiachucha.org

2. **LA Librería**: www.la-libreria.net

3. **Lil’ Libros**: www.lilibros.com