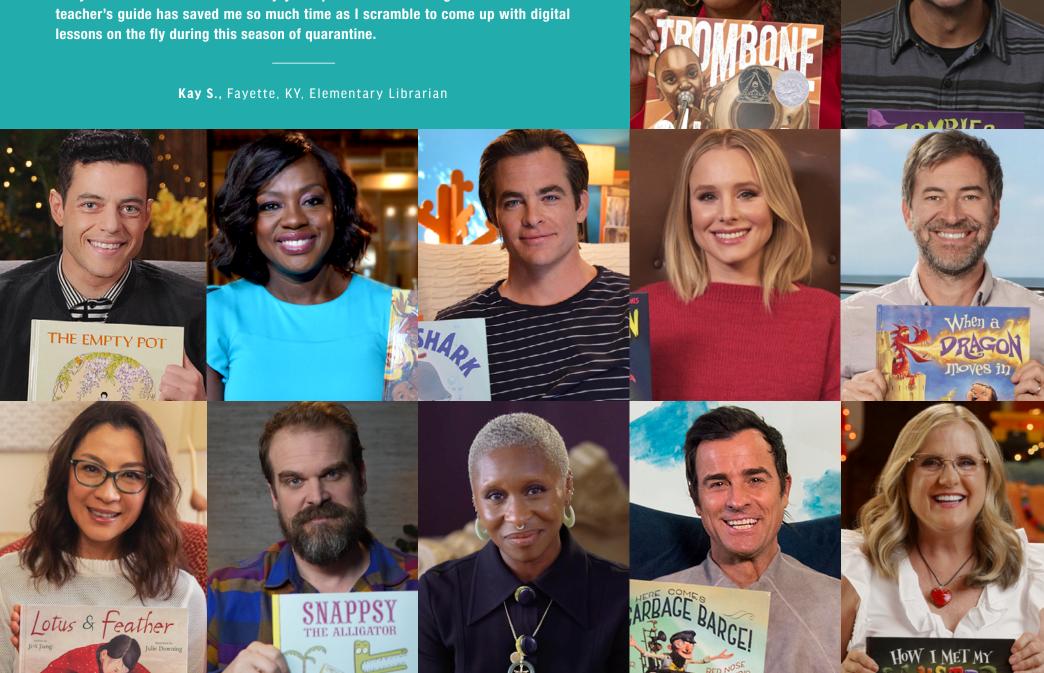
**SAG-AFTRA FOUNDATION PRESENTS** 

# Storyline Online®

WHERE ACTORS READ TO CHILDREN

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I wanted to let you know how much I appreciate such a quality site for educators. I'm well-versed on what read-aloud/along sites are out there for children. Yours is by far the best. The children enjoy the professional readings so much and the teacher's guide has saved me so much time as I scramble to come up with digital lessons on the fly during this season of quarantine.



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I want to let you know that
Ellie's Kindergarten teacher
at Eagle Rock Elementary
has included the SAG-AFTRA
Foundation's Storyline Online
program in her daily at
home schedule and she
is enjoying watching these!

Matt C.
Los Angeles, CA
Parent

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Our daughter loves to play,
listen and replay all of the
stories assigned to her from school
and new stories she finds
on her own. My husband and I
love seeing all of the actors
we grew up with and love including James Earl Jones and
Melissa Gilbert - how awesome!

Peg, Steve, Valentina and Sebastian
Indianapolis, IN
Family

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A fellow teacher recommended
Storyline Online and we happened
to watch Chris Pine's reading.
Not only did it cheer my son up,
but he spoke of something I was
unaware of. My son has a scar on
his lip and for the first time, he opened
up about it. Now he feels confident that
"cool" is due to our differences. Chris
infected him with confidence and
humility! Thank you for bringing
such a bonding opportunity for us!

Aide M.

Teacher and Parent

#### **ABOUT**

The SAG-AFTRA Foundation's award-winning children's literacy program Storyline Online® is a digital library featuring the world's best storytellers reading children's books aloud alongside creatively produced illustrations. Actors are born storytellers and have the ability to bring characters and words to life.

A trusted educational brand since 2001, Storyline Online® has seen significant growth since remote learning has become a standardized norm within households. Boasting a 300% increase in views, and 1,200% surge in complementary activity guide downloads, the initiative has seen a sharp spike in interaction, shares, and likes, proving to be an essential online resource for families learning at home.

Aimed at young children in K-4<sup>th</sup> grades, Storyline Online<sup>®</sup> inspires and champions a love of reading. Reading aloud is the bedrock of literacy development and is the single most important activity for reading success. Children listen on a higher language level than they can read, making it all the more important to be read aloud to, introducing new vocabulary and language patterns that are not yet part of their everyday speech.

Episodes run between 7-15 minutes with each story exploring an underlying theme such as community spirit, kindness to others, honesty, perseverance, responsibility, and compassion for others, all demonstrating positive behaviors and connecting kids to new worlds, and allowing them to experience lives different from their own.

Storyline Online® has made a significant impact advancing children's literacy and enriching children's lives in the U.S. and around the globe.



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is a fun and educational way to engage children in reading and also to set them on the path to live their best lives.

Oprah Winfrey on Storyline Online



#### LITERACY CRISIS IN THE U.S.

1 in 4

American children grow up without learning how to read.

33%

of 4th graders read at or below basic levels.

**25M** 

children in the United States today cannot read proficiently. 85%

of juveniles who face trial in the juvenile court system cannot read their verdict.

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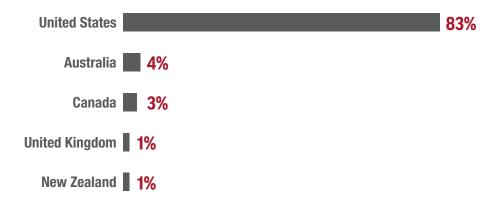
Students who don't read proficiently by 3rd grade are four times as likely to drop out of school.

#### REACH

Storyline Online® currently streams 69 videos and serves as a platform to inspire a love of reading in children in schools, hospitals and homes around the world. Students, teachers, librarians, parents and other caretakers worldwide watch Storyline Online® videos. The program's format is also a tool for English language learners and special needs students of all ages. Storyline Online® is a free and ad-free literacy resource, available for children, parents and educators via the website, YouTube, SchoolTube, Vimeo, and a free mobile app for Apple and Android devices.

#### **WORLDWIDE REACH**

Storyline Online® is viewed in every country in the world. Here are five with the most views:



15%
INCREASE FROM 2021 - 2022

69
TOTAL VIDEOS

178
TOTAL COUNTRIES WATCHING

66.5M
TOTAL 2021 VIEWS

6.9M
VIEWS IN MARCH 2022

880M
TOTAL ALL-TIME VIDEO VIEWS

## AWARDS AND ENDORSEMENTS





Endorsed by the **American Library Association** 

**2021 2020 2019 2018 2017** 

## Parents.

#### Parents.com

Named #1 Best Educational YouTube Channel for Kids.



## Notable Children's Digital Media

Recognized as one of the best real-time, dynamic, and interactive media content providers for children



#### **AASL Award**

Recognized as one of the best websites for teaching and learning



## Nominated for a Daytime Emmy®

An honor by the Television Academy; nominated for Outstanding Special Class - Short Format Program



#### **Communicator Award**

An award of distinction for their children's website category



#### **MobileWebAward**

Best Education Mobile Application from the Web Marketing Association



#### **Telly Award**

Representing the very best in video and television across all screens

## #DISTANCELEARNING

## 772,700+

SUBSCRIBERS AND FOLLOWERS



With school closures around the country due to #coronavirus, please use our FREE children's literacy resource featuring the world's best storytellers reading books aloud. Each video includes an activity guide with lessons for K-5 students to do at home. www.storylineonline.net







#### A FREE LITERACY PROGRAM WHERE ACTORS READ TO CHILDREN

#### STORYLINEONLINE.NET









10,507,974 People Reached

875,480 Engagements



1.4K Comments 131,611 Shares





playlearnkids Having @oprah read a book u to your kids in their room???? Yes, please!!! (i) Couldn't have asked for a better break in their school day. Thanks @storylineonline for all of your FREE stories and giving me a much needed break 69





that.dodd.squad Look- all 3 kids are occupied for 5 minutes!! Thanks @storylineonline. Quarantine with 3 kids while Michael tears apart the whole house renovating has me oh so thankful for every single second I can get to myself. 🤪



Cristina Flores @MrsGalFlo · Apr 24

I just want to give a shout out to @jaimecamil @storylineonline for making our stay at home easier in 2 languages 🔗 for the first time in over 6 weeks I was able to drink my coffee... warm! #DetroitMom #StayHome #Gracias #QuedateEnCasa





carrie\_stays\_at\_home\_right\_now



### MEDIA COVERAGE

FROM MARCH 15 - APRIL 28, 2020

The New York Times







DEADLINE









**Forbes** 







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POPSUGAR.

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#### BOOKS

## Jimmy Fallon, Betty White and more celebs read books to kids with online story time

Mary Cadden USA TODAY

Published 6:00 a.m. ET Mar. 23, 2020



#### **Storyline Online**

The Screen Actors Guild Foundation (SAG-AFTRA) created the children's literacy website <u>storylineonline.net</u> which features videos of actors reading children's books alongside produced illustrations. Each book has a recommended grade level and activity guides.

Among the readers: Betty White reading "Harry the Dirty Dog," author Jannell Cannon reading her book "Stellaluna" and Rose Byrne reading "The Tale of Peter Rabbit."

## DEADLINE

## **SAG-AFTRA Foundation's Storyline Online Sees Viewership Triple During Pandemic**

By David Robb :: April 24, 2020 11:16am



Rami Malek and Lily Tomlin read for Storytime Online program.

With every kid in the country being home-schooled, business is booming for <u>Storyline Online</u>, <u>SAG-AFTRA Foundation</u>'s children's literacy website, which streams free videos of well-known actors reading aloud from children's books.

"We've seen a major spike in traffic to our site, video views and activity guide downloads," SAG-AFTRA Foundation president <u>Courtney B. Vance</u> told Deadline. "During peak learning hours in the COVID-19 pandemic, we are often receiving over 2,000 views a minute on our website."

Viewers have more than tripled, and downloads of activity guides for teachers and parents have skyrocketed more than tenfold during the <u>coronavirus</u> pandemic, when remote learning became the standardized norm within households. The site received more than 8 million video views from March 15-April 15 last year but had over 25 million views during the same period this year. And while a year ago there were more than 14,000 downloads of the parent/teacher guides, this year there were more than 180,000 in that same one-month span.



## K-12 online classes and activities to continue school at home during coronavirus

Attention, parents: Here's how to keep the remote learning when schools are closed.



#### **Storyline Online**

A children's literacy website from the SAG-AFTRA Foundation, Storyline Online streams videos featuring award-winning actors reading children's books with illustrations. Each book includes a supplemental curriculum developed by an elementary school educator, which aims to improve comprehension and verbal and written skills, particularly for English-language learners. Celebrity readers include Viola Davis, Chris Pine, Kevin Costner, Annette Bening, James Earl Jones, Betty White and dozens more.



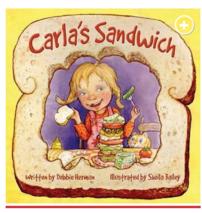
#### LIVING

## Authors and celebrities are reading to kids online during quarantine

By Mary Huhn April 17, 2020 | 1:07pm

The SAG-AFTRA Foundation's children's literacy Web site Storyline Online streams videos of top actors reading children's books while viewers watch the stories come to life with illustrations and some animation. Among the dozens of choices are Oprah Winfrey reading "The Hula-Hoopin' Queen" by Thelma Godin; Evelyn Coleman's "To Be a Drum," read by James Earl Jones; and Allison Janney's take on "Carla's Sandwich" by Debbie Herman. Most of the readings are for young kids, and are about 10 minutes long.

And don't forget, kids will certainly enjoy their own parents reading to them, too.



"Carla's Sandwich."

## BuzzFeed

Parents • Mar 16, 2020

#### 18 At-Home Ideas To Keep Kids **Busy And Entertained During** The Coronavirus Outbreak

As more schools close, here are useful resources for parents, kids, and teachers.



With the coronavirus closing down school districts across the country, we wanted to share useful resources to help keep kids busy, entertained, and learning at home. Find them below — and leave any favorites we missed in the comments! 👺

#### 1. Listen to storytime from celebs at Storyline Online.









Queue up books read by everyone from Kristen Bell to Betty White to Oprah.

### POPSUGAR.

Popsugar > Family > Little Kids > Storyline Online: Celebrities Reading Kids' Books on YouTube

#### Beat Boredom With a YouTube Channel Where Celebs Like Rami Malek Read Kids' Books Aloud











View On One Page



Now that many schools around the United States have closed until further notice, we've pretty much been scrambling to find online resources to keep our kids busy. On top of educational movies to stream, easy-to-do crafts and experiments, and a select number of children's book authors reading their titles aloud, we're grateful for any assistance we can get. Fortunately, Storyline Online's YouTube channel has a vast library of free videos in which celebrities read popular kids' books out loud. Keep reading to get a peek at these virtual story times featuring stars like David Harbour, Kristen Bell, Allison Janney, and more!

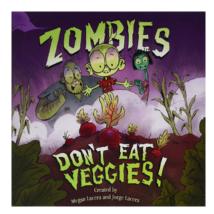
#### **ACTIVITY GUIDES**

The SAG-AFTRA Foundation is reaching out to families all over the world to bring attention to our supplemental educational and curriculum to help children, parents and caregivers keep distance learning goals on track.

Each video comes with a downloadable Activity Guide for teachers and parents that aligns with Common Core Standards that strengthen verbal, written and comprehension skills. Aimed at K-4<sup>th</sup> grade students, these activities encourage children to engage in critical thinking activities and explore the themes of the book.



### A TEACHER'S GUIDE



WRITTEN BY MEGAN AND JORGE LACERA **ILLUSTRATED BY JORGE LACERA** 

Watch Jaime Camil read this story at <u>storylineonline.ne</u>



#### READING AND WRITING

SUGGESTED GRADE LEVEL: K - 3<sup>80</sup>

#### FLA COMMON CORE STANDARD

#### BEFORE VIEWING

CCSS SI 1.1 CCSS SI 2.1

Tap knowledge and build background to prepare for reading the story.

Step 1: Build background for students by discussing the following points:

Similarities and differences among people in families.
 Spanish language: Familiar words
 Zombie: Tap knowledge and lead a discussion on the fictional character.

Step 2: Introduce the book: Tell students they will be reading a book about a Zombie family, 
Zombies Don't Est Veggies. Ask them to predict what the story might be about.

#### DURING VIEWING

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Students will listen to the story and answer teacher posed questions appropriately. Stop the video at appropriate parts to ask questions or pose prompts. Suggestions:

Point out and discuss the speech bubbles.

Have students use context clues to tell the meaning of the Spanish words in the story.

#### REREAD FOR AUTHOR'S CRAFT - HUMOR

Reread the story with the class focusing on the humor in the story. Some examples:

- "Mo's attempts were fruitless."

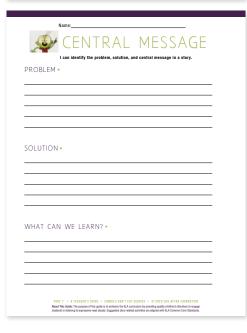
- "Ready to chase some humans in the marathon next week?"

. Names of the dishes that Mo's family is enjoying.

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**INCREASE IN DOWNLOADS APRIL 2020** 

#### ACROSS THE CURRICULUM ACTIVITIES OBJECTIVE -LITERACY STANDARDS — CCSS.RF.1.4, CCSS.RL.1.6, CCSS.RF.2.4, CCSS.RL.2.6 MATERIALS — Copy of Zombies Don't Eat Veggies Students work in groups of four (narrator, Mo. Mom. Dad) practicing reading each part with expression and fluency. MATERIALS — Various fruits and vegetables (teacher's choice) Tray (one per group) Small paper plates (one per student) Small paper plates (one per student) Toothpicks Tally (hart listing fruits and vegetables for tasting (optional for students) Graph paper (optional for students) Teacher Prep: students about the vegetables they are familiar with and like to eat. Tell students that although we may think we don't like vegetables, it's important that we learn to like them in order to eat healthy. Step 2: Present a Tasting Tray to each group. Identify each item on tray. Step 3: Explain to students that each of them will be tasting the vegetables. Give your specific directions for tasting. After students taste each vegetable, ask for a show of hands indicating who "likes it" and who is " Step 4: Record results on class tally chart. Step 5: After tasting use the tally chart to graph results





MOST VIEWED!

#### **Arnie the Doughnut**

Read by: Chris O'Dowd

Written by: Laurie Keller



Maddi's Fridge

Read by: Jennifer Garner

Written by: Lois Brandt



Henry Holton Takes the Ice

Read by: Ray Romano

Written by: Sandra Bradley



The Case of the Missing Carrot Cake

Read by: Wanda Sykes

Written by: Robin Newman



I Need My Monster

Read by: Rita Moreno

Written by: Amanda Noll



OUR FIRST STORY IN ENGLISH + SPANISH!

¡Los Zombis No Comen Verduras! / Zombies Don't Eat Veggies!

Read by: Jaime Camil

Written by: Megan and Jorge Lacera

#### STORYLINE ONLINE READERS

**Chrissy Metz** 

**Eric Close** 

**Christian Slater** 

Al Gore Esai Morales **Allison Janney Haylie Duff Amanda Bynes Hector Elizondo Jaime Camil** Amber Rose Tamblyn **Angela Bassett James Earl Jones Annette Bening** Jane Kaczmarek Barbara Bain Jennifer Garner **Betty White Jillian Estell Bonnie Bartlett John Lithgow Bradley Whitford Justin Theroux Caitlin Wachs Karan Brar** Camryn Manheim Katie Leclerc **CCH Pounder Kevin Costner** Chris O'Dowd **Kiernan Shipka** Kristen Bell **Chris Pine** 

Connie Britton Lonnie Chavis
Cynthia Erivo Mackenzie Hansicsak

Lea Michele

**Lily Tomlin** 

Michelle Yeoh

David Harbour Marc Maron

Dulé Hill Mark Duplass

Ed O'Neill Mary Steenburgen

Elijah Wood Melissa Gilbert

Ernest Borgnine Mindy Sterling

**Molly Ephraim** 

**Nancy Cartwright** 

Oprah Winfrey

Pamela Reed

Parker Bates

Rami Malek

**Rashida Jones** 

Ray Romano

Reid Scott

Rita Moreno

**Robert Guillaume** 

**Rose Byrne** 

Sarah Silverman

**Sean Astin** 

**Seth Meyers** 

**Tamera Mowry** 

**Terry Crews** 

Tia Mowry

Tony Hale

Ty Burrell

Vanessa Marano

Viola Davis

**Wanda Sykes** 

Wallua Oykos

**William Daniels** 

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### PRESENTING SPONSOR \$500,000

12-MONTH TERM 8 BOOKS PRODUCED

- Logo on StorylineOnline.net
- Banner ad on StorylineOnline.net
- Logo on Teacher Activity Guides
- Mutually agreed upon social media exposure

- Inclusion in a dedicated Storyline Online® Sponsor Press Release
- Acknowledgement on SAG-AFTRA Foundation Sponsor page on sagaftra.foundation
- Branding in all emails sent to Storyline Online® email database (108,000+)

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6-MONTH TERM 4 BOOKS PRODUCED

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- Logo on Teacher Activity Guides
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### SUPPORTING SPONSOR \$125,000

3-MONTH TERM 2 BOOKS PRODUCED

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- Branding in all emails sent to Storyline Online® email database (105,000+)

### SINGLE-BOOK SPONSOR \$40.000

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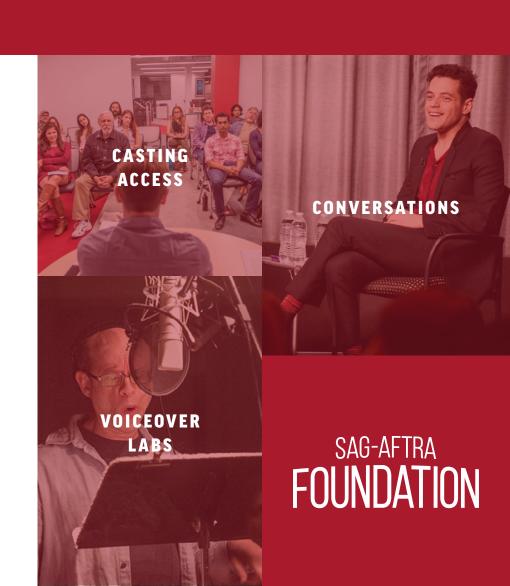
## **SAG-AFTRA FOUNDATION**

## ABOUT

The SAG-AFTRA Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing children's literacy through its award-winning signature program **Storyline Online**®.

The SAG-AFTRA Foundation provides emergency health and financial assistance for performing artists in times of urgent need, as well as free career development and educational programs that offer the tools and resources needed to stay on the cutting edge of industry demands.

For more information visit sagaftra.foundation.



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