



## Learning Opportunities - Grade 8 Language Arts - April 14th-16th

*Do the best you can! Focus on life skills, physical activity, mental well-being, creative expression, social responsibility and social connections. Stay healthy and safe!*

*Every day, students should be **reading** for 30 minutes and getting 30 minutes of **physical activity**.*

**Topic** - *The theme(s) / Big ideas for this week Earth Day. You are encouraged to spend about 30 minutes per day on Language Arts. Here are options for you to complete.*

<b><u>Activity 1</u></b>	<b>Materials/resources</b>	<b>Instructions</b>
<p><b>The Lorax</b> Read/listen to the Lorax Watch the original movie on YouTube. Do a compare and contrast of the book to the movie.</p> <p>After reading choose ONE of the writing prompts to answer about the story.</p>	<p><b>Read Aloud:</b> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EdWesdMfyd4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EdWesdMfyd4</a> Original Movie: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8V06ZOQuo0k">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8V06ZOQuo0k</a></p> <p><b>Writing Prompts (choose 1):</b> The Once-ler builds a factory produce Thneeds. Would you buy a Thneed? Why or why not?</p> <p>“UNLESS someone like you cares an awful lot, nothing is going to bet better. It’s not.” You have the power to change the world, what is something you will do?</p> <p>What Lesson did the Once-ler lead? If he could go back in time, do you think we could cut down all of the Truffula Tress? Explain what you think he would do instead.</p>	<p>With Earth Day fast approaching The Lorax is a great story that ties literacy in with issues of pollution and climate change.</p> <p>When you do your compare and contrast, you can set it up like a Venn Diagram (like what we did for The Outsiders and The Giver)</p>
<p><b><u>Activity 2:</u></b> Daily Journal We are living in a unique period in history. Keep a daily journal this week of what you did while living in quarantine.</p>	<p><b>Try to include:</b> The date, what you did for fun, who you were with, one thing that you are thankful for that day, etc.</p>	<p>Journaling is great for boosting mood, enhancing your sense of well-being and can improve your working memory!</p>
<p><b><u>Social Media Challenge:</u></b> Share your favorite book or the book you are currently reading with the BEARS Instagram page.</p>		