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## INTRODUCTION

## Welcome Letter

## Dear Family,

Welcome to Kids Learn! Getting Ready for 7th Grade. This book was created to help your child solidify the concepts they learned in sixth grade and prepare them for the year ahead. While sixth grade focused on foundational skills, seventh grade goes deeper and encourages critical thinking and problem solving. With this increase in rigor, your child will need to practice time management and organization. Encourage your child to take ownership over their education by creating good study habits that will support them throughout their academic career.
Keep these tips in mind as your child completes the activities.

- Discuss why completing this work is important, and ask your child to share their opinions about this, too. Explore how this connects to their success in middle school and beyond. This will help them stay motivated.
- Communicate your trust in your child to practice independence as they work through this book, and empower them to take responsibility.
- Encourage your child to creatively share their thoughts and feelings on the My Journal pages.
Most of all, use this book to show your child that learning can be fun. With that mindset, they will be most prepared for a successful seventh grade year!



## Things to Do as a Family



## Study Skills

- Make organizing fun! Help your child create a system to organize school materials and structure their time.
- Have your child write their homework in a planner each day.

Encourage them to check their planner every day at home and make plans to complete assignments.

- As your child becomes more aware of themselves in relation to others, they may be consumed with technology or social media. Teach them to put away distracting items while studying or move electronics to a different room.


## Language Arts

- Write progressive stories, where one person writes a word or phrase and then passes it to the next person. These stories can be dramatic, silly, scary-you name it! After several rounds, read your story aloud.
- Start a family book club to dive into reading in a fun way. Make sure the book is something your child chooses with you, so it does not feel like a chore.
- It may be difficult for your child to communicate and ask for help. Make time for your family members to write stories about their day, their hopes for the future, their biggest challenges, or whatever feels relevant. Sometimes, it's easier to describe what is happening with a character than speaking from your own point of view.



## Games to Play Together

- Help your child apply concepts they learned in school by playing games, such as Yahtzee! to practice mental math or Scrabble to work on vocabulary. Mystery games are a great way to practice problemsolving skills. You can purchase mystery board games, or you can make up a scenario to solve for some DIY fun.
- Trivia games can be fun educational tools. Your child will likely learn interesting facts that they might not have explored otherwise.
- Turn the latest social media trends or popular songs into a game. For example, see who can complete a dance challenge with the most accuracy or who can lip sync a song with the most believability.
- Gamify your daily physical activity by holding friendly sports competitions as a family.



## Perplexing Pronouns

Directions: Read the text. Then, underline the pronoun that is ambiguous in each sentence. Rewrite each sentence to make the meaning clearer.

Pronouns are words that take the place of nouns. Writers use them to avoid repeating the same word in a sentence or paragraph.
When a pronoun could refer to more than one noun in a sentence, it makes the sentence confusing to readers. This is an error called an ambiguous pronoun.

Example: For Ivan's birthday, Jack bought a gift card for his favorite store. (Whose favorite store? Jack's or Ivan's?)
Clear: Jack bought a gift card for his favorite store and gave it to Ivan as a birthday gift.
(1) Stella asked Mari if she could bring her dog on the walk.
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$\qquad$
(2) Malik went to Sam's house after his basketball game.
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(3) Ava dropped her phone in a glass of water, but it did not break.
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(4) Dave beat Connor at his favorite video game.
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(5) Nevaeh bumped into her mom on the stairs, but she did not get hurt.


## Slicing 3D Shapes

Directions: Write the two-dimensional shape that is formed when each shape is sliced on the line.


## What Is the Question?

Directions: Write a question for each given answer. Then, make up your own answer, and challenge someone else to write the question.
(1) Answer: 50 yd. ${ }^{2}$
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$\qquad$

2 Answer: 5,280 ft.
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(3) Answer: 12
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