



Hands down, when it comes to gift-giving, books continue to stand the test of time! Not only is reading crucial for kids' cognitive development, but it's also great for expanding their vocabularies and fueling their imaginations. When looking for gifts for the children in your life, think about how they fit into their interests and curiosities.

In this month's **World Book Wired**, we've made a list and checked it twice of our top books. From classic favorites to the hottest new releases, our [Gift Guide 2021: The Best Books](#) is guaranteed to put a big smile on your child's face.

WINTER FESTIVITIES

SNOWFLAKE FUN



Nature's snowflakes are beautiful, but they do not last long. Use [Activity Corner](#) to make long-lasting snowflakes out of construction paper in any color you like. ❄️

WINTER SOLSTICE



Many cultures celebrate the Winter Solstice with such time-honored traditions as [Luciadagen \(Lucia Day\)](#), the [Dongzhi Festival](#), and Yaldā Night. How are you celebrating?

HOLIDAY COOKIES



Kids of all ages will love making (and eating) these sweet holiday treats. Best of all, these soft, chewy, and delectable Sugar Sparkle Cookies are very easy to make!



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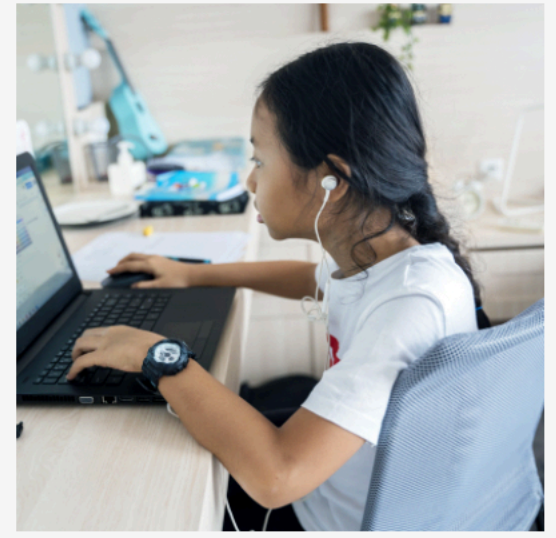
UPCOMING FREE WEBINARS



Holidays and Celebrations
Wednesday, December 8th
(2:30 p.m. CST)



Fun at Home over Break
Thursday, December 16th
(10:30 a.m. CST)



Differentiate Instruction
Monday, December 20th
(4:00 p.m. CST)

BUY A BOOK, GIVE A BOOK!



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