

Adventure Series

The **Adventures of the Center City Kids** is a collection of 20 read-aloud books for children that support the development of social, emotional, and literacy skills based on the five C.A.R.E.S. competencies: cooperation, assertiveness, responsibility, empathy, and self-control. The Adventure Series can be used in the classroom or at home to enhance SEL skills and reinforce literacy development. This book series supports social and emotional growth, celebrates family, and amplifies cultural diversity. Through intentional literacy integration and supplemental lessons, the Adventure Series promotes students' academic success.

"In SEL, our students are constantly learning how to regulate our emotions, make positive decisions, be a kind friend, and be responsible/respectful. All of these topics, are showcased throughout the books and could be a great resource for students to utilize. It gives them real-life examples in a relatable manner"

— school counselor

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Benefits of the Adventure Series		Accompanying Instructional Guide
1	Promotes community and relationship building through the read-aloud model: There are opportunities for student discussion and engagement before, during, and after reading	<p>The Adventure Series includes an Instructional Guide that focuses on the development of literacy and SEL skills with activities that align to the Common Core State Standards for Literature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interactive SEL and literacy lessons that go along with the Adventure Series • Comprehensive and structured reading comprehension questions to pair with every read-aloud • Relevant instructional and engagement tips for lesson differentiation • Aligns to Common Core State Standards • Supports Blooms Taxonomy leveled questioning • Accommodates English Language Learners and diverse learners
2	Fosters SEL and literacy skill development: Students learn, explore, and practice skills through meaningful stories	
3	Bolsters SEL and academic vocabulary: Each read-aloud features targeted vocabulary that students can learn and apply in different contexts	
4	Features diverse main characters who experience realistic and developmentally appropriate social and emotional conflicts: Students can make personal connections to the characters featured in the stories, which creates a more meaningful learning experience	
5	Can be tailored for instruction to emergent, early, transitional, and fluent readers: Lexile levels and differentiation tips allow teachers to provide instructional scaffolds or increase the instructional rigor	

Using the Adventure Series in Your Classroom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To introduce and teach an SEL concept • To practice or review literacy skills • To promote positive student behavior • To support social and emotional learning across grade-level teams
Using the Adventure Series in Your Home	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To foster the parent-child connection • To support a nighttime reading routine • To support meaningful dinner discussions • To reinforce SEL skills in home and community settings • To support a love of reading

