



LEARNINGDYNAMICS

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Date: _____

Dear _____,

As you know, books are amazing resources for children. They develop vocabulary, creativity, problem-solving, critical thinking, and expose children to new ideas and concepts. Every child can benefit from a new book – as it is a new opportunity to learn! Therefore, I am inviting you to participate in a Book Exchange with me. Participation does not have to cost more than the postage of mailing one book; and your child will receive 9 books in return. With email being so popular these days, it is always a treat to receive postal mail – especially items that will keep your child intellectually stimulated! Here is how it works:

- Select and mail a new or gently used book from your child's collection that is age-appropriate for the child listed in the #1 place below.
- Fill out the blank copy of this form that is enclosed, moving the name that is currently in the #2 space to #1, and putting your child's information in the #2 space.
- Select 3 friends to participate and mail them the letter you completed that contains your child's information in the #2 spot AND a blank copy of this letter for them to enclose to the people they invite to participate.
- Once your friends do the above steps, your child's books will be on their way!

An important note to ensure this works: No one likes tasks assigned to them. Contact your friends BEFORE sending this letter to make sure they want to participate. That way they will be expecting the letter and you can count on them to promptly follow through with the process.

Depending on the age of your child, consider having them assist you in selecting the book you send from their collection. This can provide an opportunity for you to talk about recycling!

Do you have more books on your shelf that you are willing to part with? Consider talking with you child about community service, and donating your books to a local school, library, or women's shelter (there are often many children here that would appreciate receiving the books).

Like this Book Exchange idea, and want to learn about more ways to strengthen relationships and families? Visit the Learning Dynamics website, read the blog regularly for more ideas, and consider following on Facebook or Twitter!

#1 Child's Name: _____ Age _____

Mailing Address: _____

#2 Child's Name: _____ Age _____

Mailing Address: _____

Happy Reading,
