



Hello Camper Families!

Every week at camp our staff read to and with campers during our SIGMA program. In case you were wondering, SIGMA stands for the **Skylark Institute for Getting More Awesome!** We believe reading is awesome and we encourage our campers to continue growing their reading skills every day, every week, all summer long.

SIGMA is a Skylark program created by Dr. Marnie Nair designed to integrate reading into each day as an individualized and engaging educational component of our camp experience and values. Here are notes and resources from Dr. Nair this week!



Here are some tips for reading at home this week!

Comprehension Strategy: **MAKING INFERENCES** (finding clues to answer Q's)

Character quality: **JUSTICE**

- **Definition:** Making things right the right way
- **Bible Verse:** "This is what the Lord says: Do what is just and right. Rescue from the hand of the oppressor, the one who has been robbed. Do no wrong or violence to the foreigner, the fatherless or the widow, and do not shed innocent blood in this place." - Jeremiah 22:3

This week, your camper is reading about people who seek justice for others who are being mistreated.

Grades 1 - 2/3

- Boys: [The Story of Abraham Lincoln](#)
- Girls: [The Story of Malala Yousafzai](#)

Grades 3/4-6

- Boys and Girls: [Elizabeth Fry: Angel of Newgate](#)

Reading Ideas:

- Watch this video with your camper: [#8 How to Make Inferences While You Read \(Reading Comprehension\)](#)
- Ask your student to tell you what they are learning about **JUSTICE** from the book they are reading at camp.
 - Have a conversation with them about it, then read or listen to stories about other people who seek **JUSTICE**.
 - If your camper asks questions as you read, try to find clues that help you figure out the answer to their question.
 - You can also ask questions and ask your camper to find clues to answer.
- Here are some book ideas about people who sought **JUSTICE**
 - Picture book:
 - [The Invisible Boy](#) (Read aloud [here](#).)
 - Chapter book:
 - [Wonder](#) (This is also a movie.) Book and movie review [here](#).



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