**Electronic Device Story Book**

Directions:

* Create a children’s story book that is designed to teach children about the appropriate use of personal devices.**(an etiquette book)**
  + Try to address the following:
    - How to appropriately and respectfully use one’s phone..
      * **At school** (using a phone at school can interfere with your ability to hear directions and can get you in trouble if it’s not permitted)
      * **At the dinner table** (using a phone at the dinner table can interfere with engaging in conversation with friends or family)
      * **At a restaurant** (using a phone at a restaurant can slow down your order by interfering with the wait staff’s ability to understand when you’re ready to order)
      * **During conversation** (using a phone while someone is talking to you can give the impression you aren’t listening or don’t care)
      * **While operating heavy machinery, such as a power-saw or car**. (Hands should be on the machinery to avoid accidents, and devices can cause distractions that lead to accidents)
* Things to keep in mind for your story
  + Create entertaining characters; they don’t have to be people; they can be animals.
  + Set up a beginning to the story, such as a predicament that needs to be resolved (for example Mr. Turtle meets Mr. Rabbit. Mr. Rabbit just got a new phone)
  + Keep the words simple so little kids can understand.
  + Use lots of color and visuals, but try to avoid making the visuals too busy (keep it simple and straight to the point)
  + Bring the story to a close (for example, summing up what Mr. Rabbit learned “Now that Mr. Rabbit knows how to use his device, all his animal friends are smiling”)
* **CHALLENGE**: Contact a local preschool or elementary school and volunteer to read to kids. Bring your story book and read your story.