Iggy Peck, Architect

A RIF GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

- Themes: Architecture, Building, Problem Solving, Teamwork
- **Book Brief:** Iggy Peck loves to build things and solve problems, which comes in handy when his teacher needs help!

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TIME TO READ!

Before reading, make connections: Talk with your child about what Iggy is doing on the cover of the book. What does your child like to build?

While reading, look at the pictures: How do the illustrations help us understand Iggy? How do they help us understand the other characters in the book?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

HOW DO YOU SOLVE A PROBLEM LIKE...

Materials: paper, pencil

Architects and designers build things to serve a purpose. Walk around your home and find objects that were built to solve a problem (e.g., a table). Talk with your child about the problem each item solves or the purpose it serves. Now ask your child to be a designer. First, help them think of a new problem. Then, they should design and draw an item to solve that problem. What will they call their item?

WHATEVER FLOATS YOUR BOAT

Materials: scrap items (e.g., foil, toilet paper rolls, plastic silverware, plastic bottles), scissors, tape, pennies, sink or tub of water

Build two or three boats using different materials. How well does each boat float in water? Which floats best? Which travels fastest? Place pennies in each

After reading, ask questions:

- How did Ms. Greer change from the beginning of the story?
- What events do you think helped Ms. Greer change?
- What problem did Iggy and his classmates have to solve? How did they solve it?

boat to see which one holds the most pennies without sinking. Make a chart to keep track of how well each boat performs. Which materials make the best boat?

PENNY BRIDGE

Materials: pennies or other coins—no tape or glue!

Can you build a bridge entirely out of pennies? Visit **www.pbskids.org/designsquad/topbuilder/1** to see examples.

TECHNOLOGY LINK

Log on to **www.buildwithchrome.com** to build your own online Lego[®] creations.

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