

Communication Nation

HELLO, FAMILY!

Over the next three weeks, our class will build their knowledge about communication, with a focus on the informational text genre. We will read texts and view videos about what forms communication can take. Children will also write an informative article for an imaginary exhibit on communication at the local library.

BRING IT HOME! Learning fun for the whole family!

Discuss the Topic

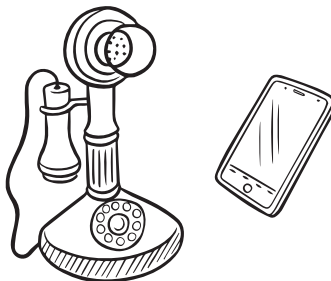
Set aside time daily for your child to share with you what he or she is learning. Use these ideas to help build your child’s knowledge about the topic:

- Talk about the ideas your child has added to the Knowledge Map each week.
- Ask about the texts your child is reading and what he or she has learned from them.
- Share with your child your own questions about the topic, and work together to find the answers.

Explore the Genre

The genre focus in this module is informational text. Discuss the characteristics of this genre, such as it gives facts about a topic.

Ask your child to read to you each day and make time to read together.



Build Vocabulary

Use these ideas to help your child build a rich vocabulary.

The Big Idea Reinforce the topic words *broadcast*, *publication*, *blog*, and *correspond* in everyday conversations with your child. Use prompts like these: What is your favorite **publication**, and why? How can we **correspond**?

What Does It Mean? Have your child keep a growing list of the Critical Vocabulary words. Quiz each other on their meanings.

Word Hunt Look for words with the Latin roots *tele*, *port*, *graph* and prefixes *il-*, *ir-*, *in-/im-* in books, magazines, and online texts.