

# Spike's Museum Activity

## Theme; Special Places to Read

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### **SPECIAL PLACES TO READ; books in the herbarium**

Spike found these book shelves crammed with books in the herbarium, one of the secret spaces he discovered. He noticed that most of them were information books but that they had plain leather covers. Some of them were falling apart as they had been read many times. Spike looked inside and found information about plants, seeds and other things in nature. Only a few had pictures in the form of diagrams of the plants they were describing. He realised these were for research and for finding out information.



This got Spike thinking about books. He likes both story and information books and wondered about the favourite books of some of the museum team. He asked them to share their favourite book from when they were children and has created a bookshelf of these books on the next page. He noticed they all had bright colourful covers. How many have you read?



Activity 1 ; choose your favourite book and curl up somewhere comfortable to read it—either on your own or with someone at home. You could even read it to your pet.

Take time for yourself and enjoy reading.

Activity 2; recreate the cover of your book as a drawing, painting or collage. A book cover template is below.

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A bookshelf of some of the museum team's favourite books. How many have you read?





