FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT MARCH 1–APRIL 15

Families can explore and enjoy beautiful spots around Springfield and Greene County while they complete this scavenger hunt with a literary twist!

- Carry this StoryQuest guide and begin your journey to discover new opportunities and books.
- Visit and check off at least six locations on the StoryQuest guide

SEE: The Pizza Wings mural at 2101 W. Chesterfield St. in Springfield

DO: What other wings could you make out of food? Draw a picture!

READ: ● Every Night is Pizza Night by J. Kenji López-Alt
● The Silver Spoon for Children: Favorite Italian Recipes adapted and written by Amanda Grant

SEE: The Shapes Mural at 214 W. Phelps St. in Springfield

DO: How many alphabet letters can you find in the Shapes Mural? Can you spell any words with your found letters?

READ: ● City Shapes by Diane Murray
● Playing with Collage by Jeannie Baker

SEE: The Cloud House at Farmer’s Park, 2144 E. Republic Road, in Springfield

DO: Close your eyes and listen to the sounds of the outside. Do you hear and feel the wind? How does it make you feel to be really still?

READ: ● Soaked! by Abi Cushman
● Hello from Renn Lake by Michele Weber Hurwitz

SEE: The mural featuring a tiger coming out of the wall at the J.R. Martin Park at Park Drive in Republic

DO: A tiger can leap forward over 20 feet. How far forward can you jump?

READ: ● Mr. Tiger Goes Wild by Peter Brown
● When You Trap a Tiger by Tae Keller

SEE: The Kinetic Man sculpture at Jordan Valley Park, 635 E. Trafficway in Springfield

DO: Make the Kinetic Man move. How are the gears working together? How would you design your own robot?

READ: ● Robot Zombie Frankenstein! by Annette Simon
● The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

• Return the guide to your library branch or the Mobile Library and receive a Library logo book bag.

To make your adventure more fulfilling, we’ve included family reading suggestions! Books marked with ● are for preschool-grade 2; books marked with ○ are for independent readers and family read-alouds.

Snap a selfie at any location on StoryQuest and share it with us at imagine@thelibrary.org so we can post it to the Library’s social media sites. We’ll enter your email and name into a drawing to win a $25 gift card for Amazon or Barnes & Noble.

Limit one Library logo book bag and drawing entry per family. Gift card winners will be contacted by April 30.
SEE: The Springfield in 1975 Mural at 404. W. Walnut St. in Springfield
DO: Cars, planes, skateboards — how many ways to get around can you find in the mural? Visit the local history section at the Library Center or Library Station to learn about Springfield artist Robert E. Smith.
READ: ● Hey, Wall: A Story of Art and Community by Susan Verde
● Art and How it Works: An Introduction to Art for Children by Ann Kay

SEE: Doling Park at 301 E. Talmage St. in Springfield
DO: Explore a historical park that was once home to an epic amusement park! Think about the “ruins” at Doling Park and imagine what the amusement park looked like, then draw it.
READ: ● Water in the Park: A Book About Water & the Times of the Day by Emily Jenkins
● A Field Guide to Getting Lost by Joy McCullough

SEE: Valley Water Mill Park and the Watershed Center at 2400 E. Valley Water Mill Rd. in Springfield
DO: Visit the rain garden and the living wall near the Watershed Center. Walk along the trails to explore the forest, glade, lake and wetland. How many animals can you see and hear in these different habitats? Imagine what creatures you might find underwater.
READ: ● Hey, Water! by Antoinette Portis
● The Ballad of Tubs Marshfield by Cara Hoffman

SEE: The Wommack Mill at 38 S. Main St. in Fair Grove
DO: Pack a picnic to enjoy at the mill. Take paper and crayons to do rubbings on stones or tree bark.
READ: ● Bread Lab! by Kim Binczewski and Bethany Econopouly
● How Did That Get in My Lunchbox? The Story of Food by Chirs Butterwort

SEE: The Railroad Town, U.S.A. mural at 115 E. Main St., next to the Ash Grove Branch Library
DO: Snap a selfie with the trains.
READ: ● Locomotive by Brian Floca
● The Boundless by Kenneth Oppel

SEE: The Delp Historic Route 66 Park at 104 E. Pine St. in Strafford (Rt. 66 Baumgardener Picnic Shelter, east of City Hall)
DO: Pretend you are taking a trip. Where would you go? How would you get there?
READ: ● Are We There Yet? by Dan Santat
● Clean Getaway by Nic Stone

SEE: The Willard Trailhead mural at 211 E. Jackson St. in Willard
DO: The mural near the trailhead features families, wheels and growth! Walk or bike this family-friendly trail, enjoy a snack, identify trees and flowers, and see if you can count all the wheels on the mural.
READ: ● The Little Red Stroller by Joshua Furst
● 25 Fun Things to Do Outside by Paul Mason