

Bookfolio for **Ramona and Her Father**

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Recommended for: [Grades 3-5](#)

Classification: Fiction

Genre: [Realistic Fiction](#)

Story Summary: Ramona Quimby, a spunky second grader, finds that her life changes when her father unexpectedly loses his job. Ramona becomes determined to make her worried father, overworked mother, and moody older sister a happy family again. When her plan to earn a million dollars making television commercials fails miserably, Ramona decides to save her father's life by getting him to quit smoking. Mr. Quimby becomes even crankier! Yet, he shows his love for Ramona by sharing insights into what makes a happy family. That Christmas, Ramona, filled with joy and pride, realizes that she has everything she really wants.

Read-aloud Recommendation: Chapter 5, pages 116-139.

**The skills for each activity are identified by the following abbreviations:
R=Reading, W=Writing, S=Speaking, L=Listening, D=Drawing**

Ramona and Her Father - Independent Activities	Skills
1. Write about Writing (Writing about writing habits)	W
2. Two Central Characters (Comparing two characters)	R , S , W
3. Feelings and Actions (Relating characters' feelings and actions)	R , W
4. Was I Really Like That? (Creating a collage)	D , S
5. "Ramona and the Three Wise Persons" (Presenting an oral reading)	S
6. You Be the Star! (Practicing for a commercial)	S , W
Ramona and Her Father - Group Activities	Skills
1. Introducing...Ramona! (Presenting a story character)	R , S
2. The Author's Purpose (Discussing realistic fiction)	S
3. A State Drawing (Making a mural)	D , R
4. Childhood, Years Ago (Interviewing an older person)	S
5. Don't Start! (Preparing an antismoking campaign)	D , R , S
6. "Let's Talk About..." (Discussing the story)	L , S

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