

# WE'VE GOT MAIL! 😊

PARENTS SHARE HOW THEY NURTURE LEADERSHIP QUALITIES IN THEIR CHILDREN.



Looking after baby brother



A good leader is responsible, respectful and understands the importance of relationships. We reinforce these values in our daughter through her role as big sister. She is involved in all day-to-day activities of her little brother, from feeding him and playing with him to coaching him in his schoolwork and ensuring he packs up after playtime. Both siblings have grown very close in the process.

**Sarah Chua, Mother of a six-year-old daughter and four-year-old son**



Making decisions is a leadership quality. I start our storytelling sessions by writing an opening sentence. My daughter then takes the lead to continue the story. As she narrates, I write it down. I offer suggestions when she gets stuck and let her decide how she wants to carry on with the story. This makes her feel empowered and confident of herself. We print a copy of the stories and she enjoys sharing these with her mummy.



**O Hung Lun, Father of a four-year-old girl**



Leading through reading



We always involve our older daughter in family activities such as grocery shopping, cooking and housecleaning. She also looks after her younger brother and takes the initiative to read storybooks to him every night. They enjoy each other's company very much and through their time together, have learnt to share and care for each other. Our son has also developed an interest in reading.

**Bek Sir Sir, Mother of a six-year-old girl and 15-month-old son**

## CREATIVE BADGES

In the Jul-Sep 17 issue, we asked you to show us the brooch you made. Here are three outstanding entries:



**Adi Rahman Nur Rahim Bin Haminorrashid, 5**



**Aimee Hoh Yee Huey, 2**



**Taylor Ngiam Lok Kee, 6**

Photos courtesy of Sarah Chua and Bek Sir Sir

## BOOST YOUR CHILD'S CRITICAL-THINKING SKILLS

There is no one solution to an issue, problem or challenge. Tell us how your child has been creative in solving problems, or how you have guided him in finding possible solutions. Attach a photo with your anecdote, and your submission may appear in the next issue of *Beanstalk!*



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