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Nature in your hands

Stone Story

Remember the days when we etched out our textbooks on slate? Those were the good old days. With the invention of materials like pen and paper and the dawn of technology boom, it feels like the days of carving out a story on stone are long gone. But alas. You can still partake in this nostalgic exercise by creating your very own story stones. To craft story stones, all you need are a few rocks, some paint, and an imagination. This is a great activity to do with youngsters, too. For more information on this activity, please [click here](#).

You will need:

- Smooth, flat stones
- Permanent markers or paint and a paintbrush
- Paper
- Space to dry the stones

To create:

1. If using paint, lay out paper underneath your workspace.
2. Take a stone and paint a picture on it. It can be as simple or as detailed as you like. Each stone can represent a piece of a story — it can be a piece of your own story or a story from your imagination.
3. Allow the stones to dry.
4. Once dry, arrange the stones in a particular order to tell a story. You can also use paper to write out words of a story and then insert rocks into spaces you leave blank, sort of like a mad-lib.
5. What story stones did you create? What story did you tell? Send in your creations to connect@baltimorewoods.org to show us!

