

Elementary Level Volunteer Opportunities

These suggestions are only a beginning! Think of other ways that volunteers can help!

1. Tell stories to children
2. Listen to children read
3. Conduct flash card drills
4. Provide individual help
5. Assist in learning centers
6. Set up learning centers
7. Help contact parents
8. Reproduce materials
9. Work in clinic or media center
10. Check out audio-visual equipment
11. Practice vocabulary with non-English speaking
12. Make instructional games
13. Play instructional games
14. Play games at recess
15. Assist with visual tests
16. Prepare visual materials
17. Develop programmed materials
18. Grade papers
19. Prepare bulletin boards
20. Help with book fairs
21. Reinforce reading fluency
22. Help select library books
23. Assist with field trips
24. Make props for plays
25. Set-up or run bookstore or book exchange
26. Gather resource materials
27. Help children learn to type
28. Help children with arts and crafts
29. Help with cooking projects
30. Check-out books from the library
31. Set-up experiments
32. Take attendance
33. Make list of library resources
34. Supervise test taking session (Test proctor)
35. Discuss careers or hobbies
36. Help young children with physical activities
37. Reinforce learning the alphabet
38. Reinforce recognition of numbers
39. Drill recognition of color words
40. Help children with motor skill problems
41. Play a musical instrument
42. Help students play instruments
43. Make puppets

44. Dramatize a story
45. Help with handwriting practice
46. Set up "grocery store" to practice math skills
47. Drill spelling words
48. Tell stories
 1. - with puppets
 2. - with flannel board
49. Assist with sing-a-longs
50. Show slides
 1. - life in other countries
 2. - parts of the United States
51. Discuss care and training of pets
52. Demonstrate different artistic abilities
53. Share ethnic backgrounds and experiences
54. Discuss farm life and farm animals
55. Demonstrate gardening skills
56. Help prepare assembly programs
57. Discuss holidays and special occasions
58. Discuss aspects of safety
59. Share information about local history
60. Demonstrate pioneer crafts
 1. - weaving
 2. - candle making
 3. - soap making
 4. - musical instruments
 5. - toys and dolls
61. Assist in preparing courses in
 1. - photography
 2. - creative dramatics
 3. - knitting
 4. - square dancing
62. Help office staff with mass mailings