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Scribble & Author

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For the younger reader

What might Scribble do?

In the book, Scribble uses the author/illustrator tools (pencil, eraser, folded paper, brush etc.) in creative ways.

- Take a look at your writing/drawing tools, choose one and imagine what Scribble could do with it.
 - Make a drawing of Scribble using this tool in this way.
 - Write or share aloud why Scribble has chosen to use the tool this way.
- Find other everyday objects and imagine what Scribble could do with them.
 - Make a drawing of Scribble using the object.
 - Write or share aloud why Scribble has chosen to use the object this way.

A conversation with Scribble

Scribble and Author are talking. This is called "having a dialogue." What if you could talk with Scribble?

- What would you ask her, or tell her? What would Scribble say to you?
- Draw Scribble and write a dialogue between YOU and Scribble.

You are the author!

- Create your own character and write a short dialogue between you, as the author, and the character you've created.
- Draw a series of pictures to go with your dialogue and put them together to make your own book!

For the older reader, grade 3-5

Write your own story!

Scribble & Author can be your guide to help you write a story!

- Discuss the elements of story which Scribble finds on her journey, and try to find those elements in other stories: The Beginning, The Middle – a monster, The River of Questions, The Mountain of Challenge, The Slope of Fears – and The Ending.
- Discussion examples: The peaceful shore of the Beginning - Why is it peaceful? Read a few beginnings of other stories - are they peaceful, too?
- In the Middle, Scribble meets a monster - What does this monster represent? Look for problems which other characters face in other stories.
- Next, write your own story, following the story elements from *Scribble & Author*.