Reading is often considered a solitary and quiet pastime, where one experiences the story internally. We imagine the characters, events from the story, the setting and experience countless feelings and emotions as we read our favorite tales. But, what if there was a way to bring all of these imaginary parts to life and show others how you see and experience the story?

Reading Crowns are a signature LitWorld activity that allows for all that is in the reader’s mind to become visible! In order to participate, just follow the following easy steps:

1. FOLD your Reading Crown! Make sure it fits you and you can comfortably wear it during your time of reading and celebrating!
2. DECORATE your Reading Crown with anything you'd like - characters, stories, quotes, letters, stickers...the sky is the limit!
3. START READING! When you wear your crown, you are in a special reading mode and can have fun reading aloud, reading by yourself, listening to a story or writing your own stories!

FOLD, DECORATE, & READ!
One way of making a Reading Crown is by using a brown paper bag. Follow the instructions below to make your own World Read Aloud Reading Crown, the special LitWorld way!

**DIRECTIONS**

1. At the closed end of the brown paper bag, fold the loose flap down towards the bottom side of the bag.

2. Now, fold the entire bag in half.

3. Use scissors to cut a sideways "V" (>) into the corners of the thick end (the flap) of the bag.

4. Open the bag. One end should now have the spikes of the crown. Carefully fold the bottom end (without the spikes) about one inch up and over itself, to create a wearable crown.