

# Scope at Home

Simple ideas to help your middle schooler explore the power of reading!

Dear family,

Today your child is bringing home the December 2017/January 2018 issue of *Scope*. Ask your child what he or she learned from it! Look at the table of contents on page 2, and ask your child to point out a favorite article.

Here are some more activities you can do at home to build your son's or daughter's reading and thinking skills:

- **Read the paired texts “Could You Become a Mean Meme?” and “Are You Being Watched?” on pages 11-15.**

These articles take a timely look at the issue of online privacy. Have your child read the articles aloud to you, or read them silently together. Discuss: How does social media affect our lives? How can we protect ourselves online?



- **Watch a video together for the play *The Fight for What's Right* on pages 16-23.**

Go to Scope Online ([scope.scholastic.com](http://scope.scholastic.com)) and watch the video “Beyond the Story: Into the World of Sylvia Mendez.” Ask your child to tell you more about the Mendez family's fight for a quality education.



- **Check out the poem “What I’m Made Of” on the back cover.**

Take turns reading the poem aloud to one another. Discuss: What would be in your “What I’m Made Of” poem?



As always, we hope you enjoy reading *Scope* as a family!

Sincerely,

Your child's teacher and the editors of *Scope*