

Dear Family,

Today your child is reading the December 2020/January 2021 issue of *Scope*. Below are some activities you can do at home to build your child's reading and thinking skills with this month's issue.

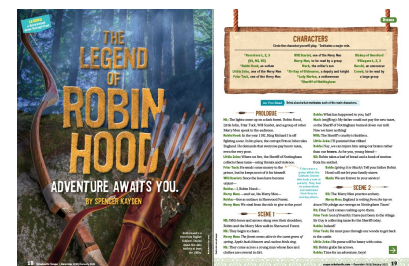
- **Watch a video together.**

Watch our "Beyond the Story: Searching for the *Titanic*" video at Scope Online. Then ask your child to tell you more about the obstacles explorer Robert Ballard faced in his quest to find the *Titanic* and how he overcame them.



- **Perform *The Legend of Robin Hood*.**

Assign roles and read this action-packed play based on the legend of Robin Hood as a family. (Don't forget costumes and props!) Afterward, discuss: Stories about Robin Hood have been popular for hundreds of years. Why do you think these stories have endured?



- **Read "The Stars Between Us," then create a work of art.**

Have your child read this work of flash fiction aloud to you. Then discuss: What is the value of friendship? How can we help others when they are down? Afterward—individually or together—create a work of art that expresses gratitude for someone or something.



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

Sincerely,

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