

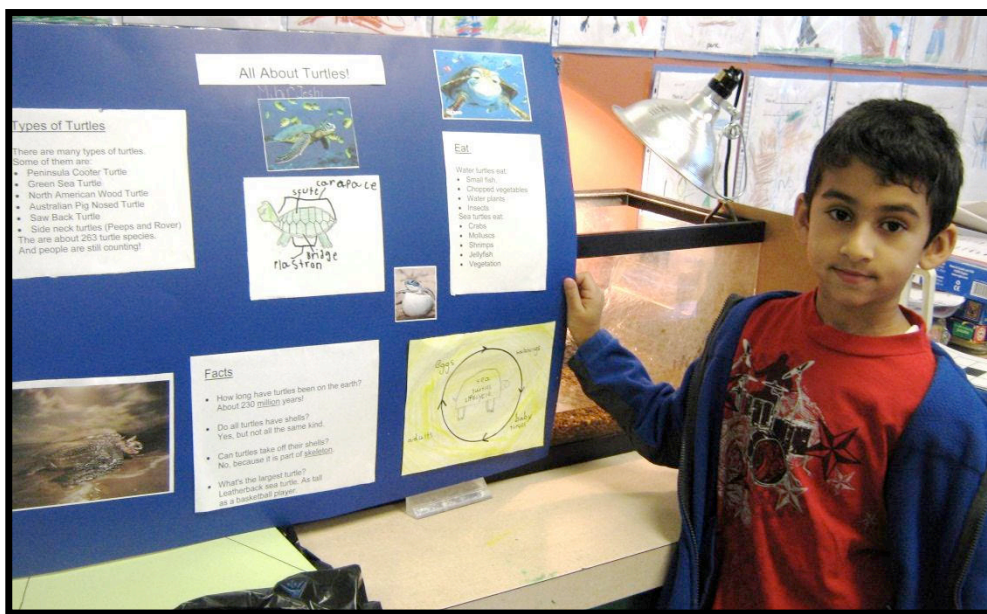
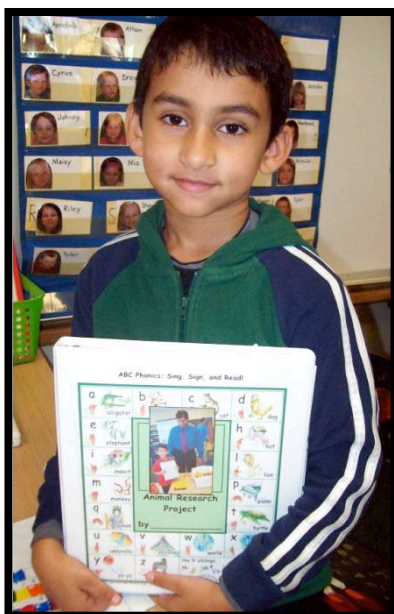
Kindergarten ABC Phonics Animal Research Scholars



Mihir is our very first ABC Phonics and Animal Research Scholar!

This young man was the very first student in Katie Nelson's class to sing and sign the entire ABC Phonics song with mastery. His Mom and Dad said, "He sings and signs all day and performs for everyone!"

We decided to give this gifted student more information about the animal pages from our *ABC Phonics: Sing, Sign and Read!* book. See [Building Voracious Vocabulary and Information A-Z](#). We invited him to choose his favorite animals, do some online research at home, and bring back drawings, photos, and writing to share with the class. His research notebook includes a copy of the *ABC Phonics* book and 14 different animal pages with fun facts and empty space to add his research. The *ABC Phonics* book with its rich illustrations provides lessons in voracious vocabulary building and opportunities for children to become experts at not only fingerspelling and signing, but researching their favorite animals.



Mihir chose to do a big research project on turtles. His presentation invited many questions and inspired many new animal researchers!



The same ABC Phonics program provides parallel activities for children who quickly master foundational skills. "Parents as Partners" help us multiply our teaching effectiveness.