



Dear Book Club Host:

Here are some ideas for springtime fun with your The 39 Clues Reading Club!

- 1. Set Your Meeting Outside:** Amy and Dan travel all over the world on the hunt for Clues. Add a little adventure to your reading club by taking your meeting outdoors.
- 2. Throw a Party:** Send out invitations ahead of time to let everyone know about the event. Encourage club members to dress up like their favorite character, such as a famous Cahill in history. Offer refreshments and themed snacks, like Clue cookies.
- 3. Play Free the Cahills Tag:** In the second series, Amy and Dan are trying to free family members who are being held hostage by Vesper One. Locate an area with enough space to run around and set boundaries to define the game area. Designate a tree or wall as Vesper One's stronghold. Divide your group into three equal parts: Free Cahills, Hostage Cahills, and Vespers. The hostages have to touch the stronghold until a Free Cahill tags them. But if a Vesper tags a Free Cahill, that Cahill becomes a new Hostage. Keep playing until all the Cahills are free or held hostage!
- 4. Have an Awards Ceremony:** If your club has been meeting for a while, take this opportunity to have an awards ceremony! What was the most impressive work your club members produced this year? Try to come up with a way for everybody to win an award or two. Set categories for each branch (e.g., Best Janus Codebreaker, Best Lucian Craft, etc.)
- 5. Autograph Signing:** If your group members aren't going to meet for a while, have them sign autographs to each other with personalized messages. You can do this on one big posterboard, or in the back of each others' The 39 Clues books, or you can make cards for the occasion.
- 6. Battle of the Books:** By now, club members will have read quite a few of The 39 Clues books, and they can probably each name their favorites. Have each club member present the book they enjoyed most. Have them each cite one thing that made the book stand out. Then, cast an anonymous vote in which everybody lists their new top two. Eliminate the bottom pick, then have each remaining club member list another great moment from their book. Keep up the process until only one book remains!
- 7. Or you can do a... Battle of the Characters** using the same method!
- 8. Have a Scavenger Clue Hunt:** Create a series of codes that when cracked will lead club members to a location where a prize is hidden.
- 9. Take a Field Trip:** Your own city or state probably has some history that has yet to be fully uncovered. Could it be a location for a future The 39 Clues adventure? Take your group to the most mysterious place in town or to a nearby spot that's related to a famous Cahill in history. Then, invite everyone to help unravel the full story. Or, take club members on a virtual field trip to a mysterious spot nearby or far away, encouraging them to use every possible web resource to take it all in as if they were there.
- 10. Create a The 39 Clues Journal:** By stapling a few sheets of paper together, club members can make their own journals to keep track of ideas and clues as they read. They can also personalize their journals with pictures of their branch and places they'd like to visit, memorable quotes from famous Cahills, and anything else that inspires them.

Thank you for helping us make reading an adventure for kids! There are always more The 39 Clues books and activities to explore, so check back soon.

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