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Introduction for Ministry of Education Online Early Childhood Education Teaching and Learning Materials

The Liberia Ministry of Education has developed 50 context-relevant and age-appropriate early childhood education readers. These readers would be addressing the chronic need of improving the quality of teaching and learning materials and the widespread lack of curriculum materials for foundational literacy and play-based learning. Twenty-five of these ECD readers were written by ECE master trainers and, 25 were contextualized using online open-source stories from the global digital libraries.

Welcome to this audio edition of early childhood books aligned to the Liberia Early Childhood Education Curriculum. There are 50 eBooks in this edition. The uniqueness of this Ministry of Education approach is that each book has a sign language version.

The books come in three categories or levels:

- Beginner or nursery is for children ages 3 to 4
- Intermediate or K-I is for children ages 4 to 5 and
- Advance or K-II is for children ages 5 to 6

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To access these early childhood books online, please go to the Ministry of Education website: www.moe.gov.lr

Yah, Zayzay, and Korto were friends attending the St.Paul High School in Lofa County. Every day, the three girls had their lunch together. One day after having lunch, Yah, Zayzay and Korto decided to play.



"Can we visit the playground today?" they asked their teacher, Mrs. Kesselley. "Yes, you can but I hope you follow the playground rules." "We will," they answered and ran to the playground to play. Korto took the slide, but Zayzay and Yah ran to the swing.



"I will go first. No, I will." They began to fuss on who should use the swing first.



Korto ran over to them and said, "Can you take turns using the swing?" "No," they said. "I will go first," said Zayzay. "I will go first," said Yah. Korto ran to called Mrs. Kesselley.



When Mrs. Kesselley and Korto came, Yah was on the swing, while Zayzay was on the monkey bar with the other students playing.



When Zayzay saw their teacher, he said, "Mrs. Kesselley I did follow the playground rule that says girls first, and no fussing or fighting on the playground. So I allowed Yah to use the swing first."



Mrs. Kesselley then turned to Yah and said, "Are you okay?" Yah smiled and said, "It's ok Mrs. Kesselley." Mrs. Kesselley said, "Thanks for following the rules." She went back to class, while Yah, Zayzay and Korto continue to play.



Reading Level: Advance (Age 5 -6)

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Synopsis

The Playground has rules. See how the kids followed the playground rules.

