

**"Let's Play Together! ;Juguemos Junto!"
Suggestions for Viewing Episode**

What is Heritage Storytime?

Heritage Storytime (HS) is a series of monthly storytime episodes presented virtually for children. Each HS episode will focus on a heritage-related theme and will feature a children's book read-along as well as complementary learning materials and activities. HS nurtures our desire to tell stories about our lives and heritages, past and present, and to learn through these stories. HS is especially important now due to the constraints that COVID-19 has imposed on teachers and families.

Visit LearnPhillyHeritage.org/Stories to learn more, to watch "Episode 1: Oney Judge's Daring Escape from Slavery," "Episode 2: Philly Has a Dream for Martin Luther King, Jr Day," and "Episode 3: Color Your City with Caleb and Olivia."

Episode Description:

Join us for a special bilingual episode of Heritage Storytime, presented in Spanish and English! We'll hear Tania Ramos Otón from [Esperanza](#) read the book [Slide! ;Deslízate!](#)...and she will get us up and MOVING AROUND with some fun movement activities! We'll also learn how everyone plays - past and present and all around the world - and we'll visit [Smith Memorial Playground and Playhouse](#) (SMPP), an historic and welcoming playground here in Philly. We'll learn how we can play outside or at home, any time of year, even during the pandemic. Additional teaching resources and ideas for exploring the episode's themes will be included, too.

Book:

Slide! ;Deslízate!

In this colorful, photo-filled, fun book, Samira takes us down the slide at Smith Memorial Playground and Playhouse right here in Philadelphia! Since the text is in both Spanish and English, participants can practice learning Spanish or English phrases. The authors are Cynthia Kreilick, Alyssa Kreilick, and Sara Mosenkis. The book was published by local publisher Morning Circle Media. Order your copy of ***Slide! ;Deslízate!*** on the Morning Circle Media [website](#).

Here are some questions that teachers, students, and families can explore when they view this episode of HS:

1. How does Melissa help you think about heritage?
2. What can we learn from stories about Philadelphia? Philadelphia's playgrounds? Types of slides around the world?
3. Did you know that the mission of Smith Memorial Playground and Playhouse (SMPP) is to give *you*, your friends, and your family opportunities to be able to play, and for *free*?
4. SMPP has been around for 121 years... what else do you know that is old... How old does something need to be in order to be a part of history? What are some other old things in Philadelphia?
4. Rebecca is SMPP's Director of Fun! What do you think she does every day? Would you like to have that job? What would you do if you did?

5. What did you think of the old toys that Rebecca showed you that are at SMPP? How do they differ from your toys at home? Predict how today's toys might change.
6. What play equipment would you like to try at SMPP? Who would you want to play with?
7. What are some ways you play now? Did Rebecca give you some new ideas about playing by yourself and playing with your friends? What are they?
8. What do the words “integrated” and “separated” mean? How are these words connected to SMPP? Are there parts of your life that are separated? Integrated?
9. How is the slide that Samira was on different from any slide you have been on?
10. Can you imagine being Samira’s friend and going on the slide with your own sack, too?
11. Why do you think they build such a long ramp to the top of the slide? (so that kids in wheelchairs can access it).
12. Why did they enclose the slide at SMPP?
13. What do you know about gravity and friction? How are these concepts demonstrated with the slide?
14. What types of actions and directions did we take in order to “slide” each time?
15. What is your favorite type of play indoors? How about outdoors?
16. If you live in Philadelphia, can you visit SMPP? Who would you like to bring along? What would you play?

Here are some vocabulary words and phrases that the audience will hear while watching and listening to this Heritage Storytime episode:

heritage, heritage of play

history

Smith Memorial Playground and Playhouse

free

invention

Integrated

separated

playground

barrel

Ann Newman Giant Wooden Slide

sack/un sacco

ramp/la rampa

bend/la esquina

bridge/el puente

wait your turn/espera tu turno