

Play-Based Learning Extension

Classroom play and role-based exploration can help students better understand the kinds of work Ransom Hunter did.

If available, educators may choose to incorporate:

- farmer costumes or toy farming tools
- carpenter play tools or building sets
- blacksmith toy tools
- toy horses or stable sets

These materials may be used for:

- dramatic play
- small-group discussion
- storytelling
- reenactment of community life

This extension is optional and may be adapted to fit classroom resources.

On the next page, you will find a list of suggested toys to complement the Story Of Ransom Hunter.

The following play materials are provided as optional classroom supports to reinforce student understanding of the kinds of work Ransom Hunter did. Role-based play can help young learners connect vocabulary, images, and discussion to concrete experiences.

The toys listed below align with four of Ransom Hunter's primary roles: blacksmithing, carpentry, horse work, and farming. These materials may be used during centers, small-group activities, or guided discussion to support storytelling, reenactment, and oral language development.

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