ACTIVITY KIT
Make Your Own Brain Food

Everyone knows that food helps your brain think. But normal food just helps your brain think normal thoughts. What if you want to think un-normal, exciting thoughts? Easy peasy! You have to eat un-normal food! Ivy and Bean call it Brain Food, and boy oh boy is it un-normal. Try these Brain Food recipes and see if you have some exciting thoughts.

**Pickle-Banana Kabobs**

**Ingredients:** 1 sliced banana, 1 sliced pickle, 1 tablespoon of peanut butter

Take a toothpick and stick a banana slice on it. Then stick a pickle slice on top of the banana slice. Keep alternating slices until the toothpick is full. Then smear peanut butter on the whole thing. Yum! Well, okay, not yum. But exciting!

**Ketchup Volcano**

**Ingredients:** Mashed potatoes, ketchup

Make a mashed potato mountain. Then use a spoon to shape the top of the mountain into a volcano. Fill the volcano with ketchup. If you really like ketchup, make it overflow.

**Graham B Cheesy Sandwich**

**Ingredients:** Graham crackers, string cheese

Peel a piece of string cheese into a bunch of strings of cheese. Then place the strings onto a graham cracker and put another graham cracker on top. Voila, sandwich!

**Chocolate Chip Chips**

**Ingredients:** Melted chocolate, potato chips

Drizzle melted chocolate onto potato chips. If you can stand to wait, put them in the freezer for one hour before eating.

**Marshmallow ‘n’ Carrot Dumbbells**

**Ingredients:** big marshmallows, thin carrots

Put the big marshmallows on each end of a carrot. It’s a dumbbell! Pretend you’re lifting weights for a little while. Then eat it. You’ll be strong AND un-normal.
Story Starters About Spoiled Kids

In Ivy + Bean: One Big Happy Family, Ivy worries that she’s spoiled. Zuzu’s cousin Ryanne is so spoiled she hides her toys so no one can play with them. Dusit’s heard of a kid who’s so spoiled he yells at his mom. Of course, you’re not spoiled, but maybe you know someone who is.
Write a story about spoiled kids using these story starters:

I heard about this kid who was so spoiled that he locked his mom out of the house and...
Once, there was a girl who was so spoiled that she had four thousand toys. One day, she was out walking and she saw a pony...
If I were spoiled, I would . . .
Drawing Challenge

The key to not being spoiled is thinking about other people. Just like Ivy and Bean do in class, draw ALL the important people in your life. How many can you fit into this frame? Try to fill the entire thing!
All Together Now

Ivy and Bean decide to be twins. What a great idea! But it turns out that being stuck together is, well, complicated. To see for yourself, grab a friend and try to complete these tasks together. But wait! Here’s the tough part: you have to link arms and stay that way the whole time!

**Task 1: Tie your shoes. All four of them.**
Velcro sneakers will start to look pretty great.

**Task 2: Make a sandwich.**
Good luck! You’ll need it. Also, a serious stack of napkins when it comes time to eat.

**Task 3: Type a poem.**
Better make it a haiku.

**Task 4: Do 25 sit-ups.**
Make sure you tell your PE teacher. You’ll get extra credit for sure.

**Task 5: Play hide-and-seek.**
Hee hee. Just kidding!
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