Greetings, Rivera Family!

For generations, your family’s favorite tradition is to go crappie fishing in your waterways and then savor a yummy shore lunch at the end of the trip. A shore lunch is when a family harvests, cooks, and shares a fish dinner near the shoreline of a lake, river, or waterway. Your tradition is so fun that a journalist got wind of it. And now, the Foodie Magazine would like your family to star in their next article about shore lunches! Before documenting your family shore lunch, the journalist would like to know what your family thinks the article should highlight. Your family believes that readers should learn about the fun in family fishing. This means families need to know how they can easily catch fish and what great eating experiences they can have.

To pitch a great article, you should first research about the following topics that your family believes to be important:

- What are some popular fishing methods families can use to catch crappie?

- What kind of fishing gear do families need to catch crappie?

- Why is crappie fishing or fishing out in nature fun for families?

- Your family would like to have some great eating on their shore lunch. What is a tasty crappie recipe your family could do on their shore lunch?

- Your family will be having the shore lunch in a state park. Where could your family easily set up the shore lunch?

- What’s the overall family experience like?
Then share your discoveries with your other team members who also have been invited to pitch ideas to the journalist. As a group, discuss how families could have a fun, healthy, and sustainable shore lunch. Then create a “How To Have a Family Shore Lunch” magazine article on a large poster. When writing the article, consider the following:

- How do families catch the fish?
- What recipe can they use?
- How do they cook it?
- How do they set up the shore lunch?
- What can families experience?

In Session 3, all the groups will pitch their magazine article to the journalist with supporting research and reasons. The class will then debate and select the best ideas from different articles to create the ultimate magazine article. So be creative and spruce your article up with graphics, images, and artwork to create a kick-butt article!