

Online Book Club

The Mystery of the Grand Canyon

Bring It To Life!

1. **Map it Out!** On a large map of the United States, map out the route you would take to travel from your home state to Arizona. List the states you would pass through. Would it take less time to fly there or drive there?
2. **Party Hearty!** Have a fiesta with Mexican food found throughout the southwestern United States. Ask parents to help you make dishes like tacos, enchiladas, burritos, and sopapillas. (Don't forget the chips and salsa!) Wear southwestern-style clothing like cowboy hats, jeans, boots, bandannas, bola ties, or sombreros!
3. **Get Lost!** Divide into two teams. Imagine being lost in the Grand Canyon. Each team has a backpack full of supplies like Grant and Christina's, except your walkie-talkie is broken. What would you do? What would you eat? How would you get help? Write your ideas on the board and see which team has the best plan!
4. **Mold It!** Use modeling clay to create your own ancient pottery vessel. Paint it with your own personal design. Explain to the group how it may have been used—for decoration, special ceremonies, or for everyday use.

