

**The following is a transcript of the “Virtual Story Time for Elementary Age Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing” that took place on May 6, 2020 in Virginia. The transcript was provided to Virginia Hands & Voices by Virginia Relay. Call moderator was Terese Urban and co-facilitator was Carlie Smith, board members of Virginia Hands & Voices.**

Everyone will be muted upon entry. Randi muted herself or he. I see that the captions are working. >> Good morning. Thank you for joining us today. Come on in and get settled. >> Good morning. >> Good morning. >> Good morning. >> VIRGINIA: Good morning, everyone. Thanks so much for joining us, this is Terry urban the chair of Virginia hands and voices. We are so excited to be offering our first ever story time to all of you guys. I am so happy to see new faces on the screen. Let me take a quick moment and introduce myself. I already did I am Teri. This is Veda who is deaf and we have 2 other he kids who are hearing. This is Leila. I told them I would have a sucker to join our meeting to the. Emetology from outside the Richmond area and I assume we are all over the state so this is really neat to see everyone on here. I also want to take a minute and introduce Carly. Can you wave? Who is also a parent of Ella, who is also deaf. They live in Roanoke area. Carly is a board member of ours, a fundraising chair and was instrumental in setting up this virtual story time today. I am going through a couple of things then we are going to hide everyone's videos during the story time except for the interpreters. Bear with us. Those of you not familiar with hands and voice we are a non-profit parent driven organization dedicated to supporting kids who are deaf and hard of hearing. What makes us & creek is we are unbiased about communications choices and we believe that a choice a family makes is the right choice. We are a statewide chapter and we focus -- do our o activities in each region but clearly they have all gone virtual. So, here we are. Let me take a minute and introduce our storytellers and our interpreter and then we will kind of talk about zoom quickly then we will go ahead and get started. First Anne Traver; an you wave. >> Good morning. >> Glee is a teacher for the deaf and hard of hearing for Roanoke schools. She will be reading and signing our story which is -- drum roll, the very busy spider if

