The first week at the Museum of the City of New York was exciting for the new students. They became familiar with each other’s names and hobbies through a game called the “High 5 Game.” The children also learned about an immigrant named Joel Russ who made money selling apples and herring salad.

Every day, the students learn reading skills through the S.P.I.R.E. program. Students meet with their teachers for their 90-minute long tutoring sessions.

Exhibitions at the Museum of the City of New York

Upcoming Exhibition: *Blue Man Group: Ready...Go!*

Opens Friday, July 19

With *Blue Man Group: Ready...Go!* Visitors learn about the group’s New York City origins, and have the opportunity to bang on a tube while taking a look at the world through the eyes of the Blue Man
More about the S.P.I.R.E. program

The students are split into groups of three with one teacher per group. The program is focused on the five pillars of reading: phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary development and reading comprehension. These skills are achieved using S.P.I.R.E, an intense, 10-step multi-sensory language curriculum.

Learning about Joel Russ in World City

The students learned about many people throughout the course of the day. One of these people is the legendary Polish immigrant Joel Russ of Russ & Daughters on the Lower East Side. He became famous in the Jewish community for his herring salad with apples. One important part of the business was the apple peeler and corer that allowed Russ to peel and core apples quickly. This allowed him to make a lot of money. Through this salad and his other delicious appetizers the company Russ & Daughters was born. You can still visit Russ & Daughters today.

In Mannahatta, 400 years ago

The students learned about what New York City looked like before the Dutch arrived, through a map of Mannahatta, which was the name given to the island by the Lenape, the Native American tribe who lived here. The students learned how the Lenape made shell beads called wampum out of whelk & clam shells. These beads were woven into bracelets and belts and given as gifts as symbols of friendship. The students also had some hands on learning as they touched replica artifacts like those the Lenape used 400 years ago. The students had to decide what the artifact was made out of and what it was used for.

Early to the program?
Go to a playground!
There are 3 conveniently located nearby.

- 104th Street and Madison
- 97th Street Transverse Road
- 106th Street and Lexington
Kids Quotes!

What do you like about the *World City* exhibition?:
“I like the technology.”

What do you like about *Building the Future*?:
“I like that it allows us to design it ourselves.”

Mannahatta artifacts:
“The bear skin is so fluffy!”
“Learning about the special staff (Lenape ceremonial club) was interesting”

Creating the artifact storyboards:
“I like to be draw and be creative.”

Tongue Twisters and Nursery Rhymes!

Peter Piper picked a peck
of pickled peppers.

She sells seashells by
the seashore.

Jack! Be nimble!
Jack! Be quick!
Jack! Jump over
the candlestick!

I scream! You
scream! We all
scream for ice
cream!

Fuzzy Wuzzy was a bear.
Fuzzy Wuzzy had no hair.
Fuzzy Wuzzy wasn’t very fuzzy, was he?
Meet Dulce, one of the Everyone Reading Interns!

Dulce is a senior in the Leaders School. She is very involved in many extra-curricular activities. She enjoys playing soccer and will even be the captain of her soccer team next year. She is an intern with the Beginning with Children Foundation Leadership program. She wants to study criminal justice, astronomy, and education. She is thinking about a career in criminal justice, but education is her back-up plan. She was inspired to be an educator by the Everyone Reading Program. The mission of the program is what inspires her.

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174 E. 110th Street, New York, NY, 10019
53 E. 79th Street, New York, NY, 10075

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