



# Y' ALL! IT IS TIME TO SADDLE UP AND READ

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1<sup>st</sup>

## TODAY'S BOOK HIGHLIGHT & ACTIVITIES

The House That Jane Built by Tanya Lee Stone

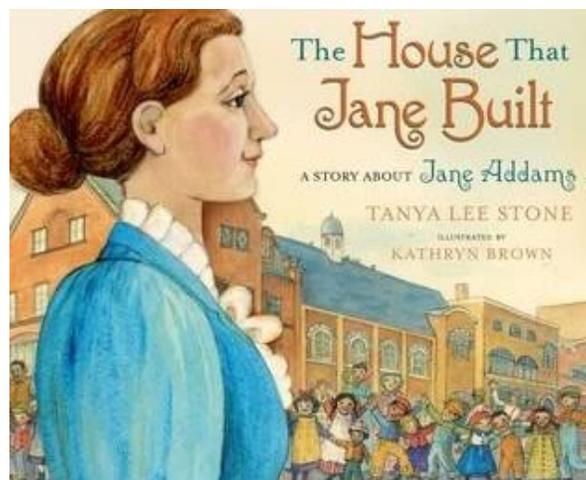
Watch Kiernan Shipka read The House That Jane Built, using the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qITsQKHAZy8>

Today there are TWO activities for you to complete at home!

### **ACTIVITY 1: CREATE A TIMELINE OF THE EVENTS IN THE STORY**

Using a large piece of paper (or tape a few sheets together), create a timeline of the important events in the story. Use important dates, and illustrate and summarize what happened during each date.



## ACTIVITY 2: PALMER HOUSE BROWNIES

The recipe below is well over a century old, and is the exact same one used for the brownie served in the Palmer House Hilton today.

### INGREDIENTS -

14 oz. Semi-Sweet Chocolate  
1lb Butter  
12 oz. Granulated Sugar  
4 oz Flour  
8 ea. Whole Eggs  
12 oz Crushed Walnuts  
Vanilla extract  
9" x 12" baking pan  
1 Cup water  
1 Cup Apricot Preserves  
1 Teaspoon Unflavored Gelatin

### PROCEDURE -

\*Pre-heat oven at 300°F

### BROWNIE

1. Melt Chocolate with butter in a double boiler ( Google It!)
2. Mix dry ingredients into mixing bowl, except walnuts
3. Mix chocolate with dry ingredients, 4 to 5 minutes
4. Add eggs
5. Pour into 9"x 12" baking sheet, sprinkle walnuts on top, press walnuts down slightly into mixture with your hand, and bake for 30 to 40 minutes. You will know when done -- the edges will start to become a little crispy and the brownies will raise about ¼ inch.

Note: Even when the brownie is properly baked it will test "gooey" with a toothpick in the middle due to the richness of the mixture. After removing from the oven allow to cool about 30 minutes before spreading a thin layer of the glaze on top with a pastry brush.

### GLAZE

1. Mix together water, preserves and unflavored gelatin in a saucepan.
2. Mix thoroughly and bring to a boil for two minutes. USE HOT.

Special Tip: The brownies are easier to cut if you place in the freezer for about 3-4 hours after glazing.

## TODAY'S GUEST READERS

Dave & Sienna Farra from X107.5

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/h8f34smhgx0vedk/Dave-Sienna-Farra-Reading-Week.mov?dl=0>

Pamela Reed reading Stella Luna

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VLRIVyWUzxs>

Caitlin Wachs reading Sebastian's Roller Skates

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L2s6NHeV740>

James Earl Jones reading To Be a Drum

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7BVBBE56MUg>