Hi,

I’m Amelia and this is my very own event kit! I want to share some really fun and exciting activities with you so that you can share them with kids like me. Whether they’re already writing in a journal, or just want to try, this is a good place to start. There are cool games and activities in here and also instructions (not the boring school kind) about how to create your very own notebook—just like mine!

And, you’ll find some cool pencils inside—kids can use them to start their very own notebook—like the ones I keep.

I’ve written some really fun activities which can be easily copied so each kid can get one. Here’s a list:

• AMELIA’S 6TH-GRADE NOTEBOOK Crossword Puzzle
• AMELIA’S MOST UNFORGETTABLE EMBARRASSING MOMENTS Word Search
• AMELIA’S BOOK OF NOTES & NOTE PASSING Secret Code Game
• AMELIA’S NOTEBOOK Guide
• Extra Notebook Sheet
• Amelia’s Pen Pal Activity
• Amelia Title List

I hope you like this kit—I wrote it myself—but I still found time to finish my homework (sort of)!

Amelia
MAKE SURE YOU’RE READY FOR ME, AMELIA!

ONE MONTH AHEAD OF THE EVENT
• Pick a date and time for your AMELIA event.
• Make sure you have plenty of Simon & Schuster (my new home!) AMELIA books on the shelves.
  I’ve enclosed a list just in case. You might need to order more, so be sure to check your stock!

3-4 WEEKS AHEAD
• Promote your AMELIA event in your store, school, or library calendar or newsletter, or in a school
  and/or local newspaper.
• Order a FREE promotional Amelia Easelback (ISBN-10: 0-689-04472-0) from Simon & Schuster Children’s
  Publishing and display it in your window or on your counter.
• Set up a window or in-store display with the books to get kids excited! I know they will be!

1-2 WEEKS AHEAD
• Hang an in-store sign where customers can see it and advertise your AMELIA event.
• Make a list of all the materials that you will need, including extra pens or pencils, tape, bubble gum,
  erasers, or any other supplies you think might be useful at the event. It’s good to be prepared!
• Photocopy the reproducible activity sheets that are enclosed—you can use colored paper to make them stand out!

THE BIG DAY!
• Have those reproducible activity sheets nearby—that way you can hand them out easily.
• Hand out those cool promotional pencils!
• Walk the kids through each of the activities.
• Remind kids that you have plenty of my books in the store if they want to take them home!

AFTER YOUR AMELIA EVENT IS OVER:
• Wipe away tears—ha, I’m funny!
• E-mail Karen.Frangipane@SimonandSchuster.com and tell her how the
  event went. If you have any photographs or leftover bubble gum,
  send it to:
  Simon & Schuster Children’s Publishing
  1230 Avenue of the Americas
  4th Floor – Attention: Karen Frangipane
  New York, NY  10020
• Be sure to include any photographs you’ve taken in your next
  newsletter so everyone can see how much fun you had!
• Make sure to restock all of my AMELIA titles so that you
  have plenty on hand!
middle school is sometimes like a puzzle—it takes a lot of figuring out. In AMELIA’S 6TH- GRADE NOTEBOOK, it’s my turn to jump into middle school and it can be really tricky. See if you can solve the puzzle below! And remember, if you get stuck, just keep trying! That’s the only way to get through middle school—and this puzzle!

ACROSS
1. I Solve My Problem by  Writing One
5. My Best Friend
6. Ms. Reilly Teaches this Subject
9. Cleo Put This in Her Teacher’s Coffee
10. After School Punishment
11. My Pen Pal

DOWN
2. My School’s Name
3. My Least Favorite Teacher
4. My Sister
7. I’m Learning This in Math
8. The Room I Eat Lunch In

Answer to puzzle on book list page.
AMELIA’S MOST UNFORGETTABLE EMBARRASSING MOMENTS

Word Search

See if you can find all of the words below—it might be hard, but I know you can do it! If you’re having trouble, don’t be embarrassed—I learned that sometimes things aren’t as embarrassing as they seem. Just give it your best shot—and if you need a helping hand, ask a friend. Sometimes your friends are the only ones who can get you through those embarrassing moments!

Answer to puzzle on book list page.
AMELIA’S BOOK OF NOTES & NOTE PASSING
Secret Code Game

In my book, AMELIA’S BOOK OF NOTES & NOTE PASSING, my best friend Carly and I use a secret code to write notes to each other so that nobody else can read them. Use the key below to solve the secret message. Then create your own message and see if your friend can solve it.

(Don’t stop there...you can use this code any time you want! Just don’t get caught in school—the teacher might read your note to the whole class—if they can solve it! Ha!)

With the letters in an oval like this, it’s easier to see which letter you need to go to when you’re skipping a space.

Z P V I B W F G S J F O E T X I P B S F

M P Z B M B O E U S V F

Solve the secret message below:

Now create your own secret message on the back of this paper. See if your friend can solve it. Can you solve his or her message?

Answer to puzzle on book list page.
Reading and writing are two of my most favorite activities in addition to making fun of my big sister, Cleo, and spending time with my best friend, Carly.

But no matter what is going on in my life, I like to write it all down in my notebook. It helps me remember all of the great things that happen throughout my day. But I also like to write down all of the crummy stuff that happens too—this helps me figure out what to do and how to fix any problems that come along.

Here are some tips that might help you keep a notebook of your own:

• **BE HONEST**—this is YOUR notebook. Nobody has to read it but you unless you want to share it with your best friend. Write down how you really feel. Sometimes it helps to get your feelings out—good or bad!

• **BE CREATIVE**—sometimes you can’t get everything down in just words. Some people say “a picture is worth 1000 words!” so drawing can help too! And, it’s fun. Use pictures to help illustrate your thoughts.

• **BE ADVENTUROUS**—feel like taking a break from real life? Writing down your everyday thoughts and activities is great, but sometimes it’s fun to make things up—write a story or a poem. Have you heard a funny joke lately? Write it down! Or maybe your teacher asked you to write an essay. Jot down some thoughts here—you can refer to them later. This notebook can be anything you want, so don’t follow the rules—color outside the lines!
• HAVE FUN—No matter what, have fun writing in your notebook. Your notebook is your secret escape—it should be a place you love returning to! So make it fun, and different, and yours!

GET STARTED:
If you already have a notebook, keep writing! If you want to start one, all you need is some paper, a notebook, or a diary.

To get you started, here is a blank notebook page. Take a few moments to write a little. Write about your day, your family, your teachers, your best friends—anything at all!

You can always fold this paper in half and add it to your notebook later—this is a good time to get started, so give it a try!

You have friends who are loyal and true.

Don’t forget to return library book!!!
**AMELIA’S PEN PAL ACTIVITY**

Having a pen pal can be fun and exciting. Even though your pen pal may live far away, writing and sharing your thoughts and feelings keeps them close. I have a pen pal named Nadia and she shares her experiences with me through letters and postcards.

Whether you have a pen pal or not, it’s fun to learn things about another person. And it’s exciting to get mail too! You can even have an e-mail pen pal!

Answer the questions below and send them to your pen pal. If you don’t already have one, ask a friend if they would like to be your pen pal. Send them the information below—then they’ll know something about you. Ask if they’d like to answer the questions too! Then you’ll have some great things to talk about and you’ll already know a little about each other!

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**DEAR PEN PAL**

My Name: ____________________________
Nickname: ____________________________
Pet’s Name(s): ________________________
Favorite Book: ________________________
Favorite Color: ________________________
Favorite place to go on vacation: ______
My room looks like: __________________

Funniest thing that happened to me at school: __________________

Funniest joke I ever heard: __________________

What I would like to know about you: __________________
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“You have friends who are loyal and true.”

Answers to Activity Puzzles

Amelia's 6th-Grade Notebook Crossword Puzzle:

Across
1. Story
2. OopaIntermediate
3. Wambaste
4. Cleo
5. Carly
6. Science
9. Salt
10. Detention
11. Nadia

Down
2. Dopaintermediate
3. Wambaste
4. Cleo
5. Carly
6. Science
9. Salt
10. Detention
11. Nadia

Amelia's Most Unforgettable Embarrassing Moments Word Search:

Q Y B A X P M E L D D I M O
N Y K Z A C O I O W W H B J
O P E J Z B M E T A V I R P
K R A A S E M E T T S
B B M E X J N N S S V A Q Z
Y A E L B A T T E G R O F N U
G Y E P E O L S N Z H X A Y A
F M A J F M O V X C J M O S T
A E F B C A F K S U V E W S R
E M B A R R A S S I N G Z K D

Secret Code Game:

“You have friends who are loyal and true.”