Stories on the Ceiling!

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WHAT AND WHY??

Do YOU read books in bed? Very likely you do, your friends do, and your children do. For many individuals physical impairments, turning the pages of a book is just not possible when lying in bed . . . until now! This tip describes a simple setup designed by a mom (Kim) and occupational therapist (Gretchen) to make it easy and fun for Sidney to read in bed.

HOW TO SET IT UP

Materials:
- slide projector (look at yard sales or put up a note at school)
- slide projector adaptor (www.ablenetinc.com) and switch for student to use
- slides representing pages of a book
- mirror
- pegboard (optional)

Directions:
1) Take photographs of each page, and have them developed as slides
2) Hook up the slide projector so that it points at a mirror, which reflects slides unto the ceiling; connect slide projector adaptor
3) Attach switch for easy and SAFE access (Gretchen used pegboard, so the switch cable is behind the pegboard. Thus, there is no danger of the choking!

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