In this story, Jabari heads to a community pool with his father and baby sister. Jabari has finished his swim lessons and is ready to jump off the diving board. But when he stands at the ladder and looks up, he starts to feel afraid. With some reassurance from his father, Jabari eventually climbs the ladder and makes a big splash into the pool. As you read or listen to the story with your child, pay attention to how Jabari overcomes his fear to jump off the diving board.

**LET'S TALK ABOUT NEW WORDS**

Here are some words to talk about as you read or listen to *Jabari Jumps*:

- **dive**, to jump into water with your arms and head going first
- **edge**, the line where something begins or ends
- **spring**, jump up
- **whispered**, spoke softly
- **determined**, a strong feeling that you are going to do something, and not let anyone or anything stop you
- **scared**, to be afraid of something

**LET’S PLAY**

Make a Paper Collage

In this story, the illustrations include collages - pictures made from different types of paper, like newsprint. Start by gathering materials you already have available, anything from construction, tissue, or wrapping paper, to newspapers and magazines. Junk mail, maps, and brochures will also work well. Next, let your child cut out designs for their artwork and then glue the designs onto a blank sheet of paper. They can create abstract designs, scenes from the story, or any illustration they might find interesting. When they are done, bring your child’s story to life by asking them about the scene they have created and writing those words at the bottom of their paper.