A Books To Treasure Lesson Starter: How to Address an Envelope

Book: *It Came in the Mail* by Ben Clanton

In a Nutshell: Who doesn’t love to get mail?! Ben Clanton’s picture book *It Came in the Mail* celebrates the delight of receiving something special in your mailbox. While the book considers fantastical mail possibilities, this Books To Treasure Lesson Starter offers tips and tricks for students to learn how to Address a Letter.

Do This: After using the first Lesson Starter in this series, it’s time to address an envelope for your letter. Talk to your students about the parts of addressing an envelope and why each part matters:

- Return Name and Address (top left) (What if it gets lost?)
- Receiver Name and Address (center) (How does the mail carrier know where to send it?)
- Stamp (top right) (How do we pay for our letter/envelope)

Use This Printable: Prepare a copy of the printable for each student to address their own envelope. Practice addressing the envelope so they’re ready to do it on their own!