

### **GBJCL Closure Suggestions**

The relationship that develops between students and tutors is like no other. A tutor is not only a mentor but a positive role model for their students. A variety of emotions may come up for you and your student as the end of the year approaches and it is important for tutors to create space for closure. It is beneficial for students and tutors to reflect on the progress they have made during the year, the activities they have done and their hopes for the future.

**Reviewing the Schedule:** Outline how many sessions are left and what you will do together before the end of the year. Look at a calendar so your student can count how many sessions are left and prepare for the end of your time together.

**Reflection:** Reflect on any goals you had. Highlight successes that students had during the year. Even if they didn't achieve their overarching goal, reviewing the small steps a student has made to move forward can help them gain confidence.

**Activities:** Plan a fun activity for the last day. Read a specific book before the end of the year. Revisit icebreaker activities you did in the beginning of the year and see how things have evolved over the year. If permissible by the teacher, take a screenshot together.

**Future Goals:** Discuss ideas for next steps for the student's learning goals. Brainstorm fun educational activities they can do over the summer.

If you would like additional suggestions, please contact [rshimshak@jrcrboston.org](mailto:rshimshak@jrcrboston.org) or explore ideas with your team leader.