962-P1-607 Una Bray* (ubray@skidmore.edu), Una Bray, Dept. Mathematics and Computer Science, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Adventures in Proofs with Sixth Graders.

Adventures in Proofs with Sixth Graders For the past seven years I've been lucky enough to be invited into the classrooms of several K-6 teachers in my local school. I've spent several hours of each week doing enrichment activities with the children and their teachers. Last year, in response to a questions raised by students about the meaning of the word proof, I worked with two groups of sixth grade students to see how far I could go in "doing a proof". In this talk I'll give a complete list of the topics and proofs covered, talk about the reactions of the sixth graders to the proofs, and tell you what they learned from me and I learned from them. (Received September 15, 2000)