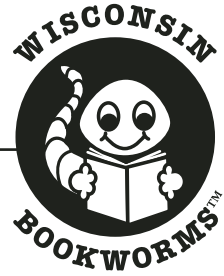


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Activity Sheet



Does A Kangaroo Have a Mother, Too?

By Eric Carle

Meet the little joey whose mother carries him in her pouch. See the cygnet riding on the back of the mother swan. Read all about animal babies and their mothers ... Everybody has a mother, "just like me and you."

Before you read this book: Make a parent-child matching game using photos or drawings of different animal families. Mount the pictures on cardboard or note cards to make the game.

While you read this book: Be sure to invite everybody to read along. Pause before you turn each page, after you ask the "... have a mother, too?" question, waiting for your child(ren) to join you in "Yes!" They also can repeat "just like me and you."

Reading tip: Repetition of key phrases helps preschoolers take the first step toward reading readiness.

After you read this book: Play your parent-child matching game. For younger kids, lay all the cards out face up and give each child a chance to pick two. For older kids, make it a memory game. Shuffle the cards and lay them out face down. Each child can take a turn turning over two cards, remembering the pictures and turning them down again. Everybody plays matching pairs until all the pictures are matched.

And, use these cards to play your own version of parent-child "Go Fish."

At home: Make a family picture puzzle. Photocopy a family picture, glue it on cardboard and cut it up into a fun family picture puzzle.

Check out these other great Eric Carle books: "Have You Seen My Cat?" "Papa, Please Get the Moon for Me," "'Slowly, Slowly, Slowly,' Said the Sloth" by Jane Goodall, illustrated by Eric Carle, "Today is Monday," "From Head to Toe"

And, don't miss: "Is Your Mama A Llama?" by Deborah Guarino, illustrated by Steven Kellogg

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