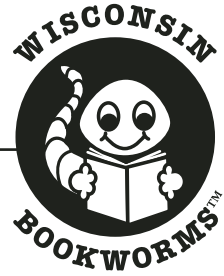


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Activity Sheet



Feast for 10

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Count from one to 10 twice. What does it take to make a feast for 10 hungry people? There's shopping, cooking, setting the table. Everyone in the family helps and, as fast as you can count from one to 10, the feasting begins!

Before you read this book: Set a table for a special reading feast — plates, silverware, cups and everything you'll need for a great time. Be sure to count how many kids you have and count all your chairs, plates, etc.

While you read this book: Read the book while sitting at your table. Talk about times when families (and friends) get together for a special meal — birthdays, Thanksgiving, special family holidays, a new tooth.

Reading Tip: Help children begin to recognize the shapes of letters and numerals. Point to the numerals on the pages, tracing the shape as you say the number aloud. Stop to count the pickles, apples, potatoes, etc. looking for the seven dill pickles stuffed in a jar.

After you read this book: Using a sand table, sandbox or beach, tongue depressors or wooden sticks, and a watering can, practice forming the different numerals. Show your kids how to sprinkle the sand with water so it is wet enough to write in. Let them write their initials or names in the sand. Practice writing numerals from one to 10 in the wet sand. Read "Feast for 10" and, as you read, ask the children to form the numerals in the sand as they hear each number word read.

Make a construction paper place mat and glue pictures of plates, silverware, cups, etc. on the paper. Label each one with the children's names. Try using waxed paper and an iron to "seal" the place mat. (Be careful of the heat!)

At home: Provide silverware for your child to practice sorting into trays. Invite your kids to taste a piece of a dill pickle. What does it taste like? (sweet, sour, crunchy) What about a bite of pumpkin pie?

More books about counting: "Ten, Nine, Eight" by Molly Bang, "One Hungry Monster" by Susan Heyboer O'Keefe, Illustrated by Lynn Munsinger, "The Right Number of Elephants" by Jeff Sheppard, Illustrated by Felicia Bond, "Roll Over! A Counting Book" illustrated by Merle Peek

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