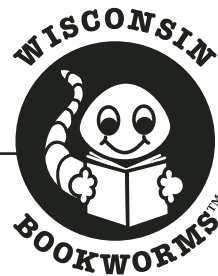


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Activity Sheet



Too Many Frogs!

By Sandy Asher, illustrated by Keith Graves

Rabbit lives alone and he likes it that way — no fuss, no clutter. But when story time rolls around, something is missing ...

Before you read this book: Ask your kids about their place for storytelling. Where do they like to hear stories (bed, chair, outside)? Do they like to sit up, lie down (or stand on their head) when they hear a story? When is the best time for a story? Who is their favorite story reader?

While you read this book: Invite all the children to find a comfortable place to listen to the story. Take turns being Rabbit (the storyteller), Froggie (and family). Bring in fluffy pillows and even a "Frog Family Reunion" T-shirt to wear. (Hand-lettering on a white T-shirt is great!)

Reading Tips: Use funny voices for Rabbit and Froggie.

If little kids are getting restless, longer stories can be "told" to the children, rather than reading word for word. Use the pictures as prompts to move the story along.

After you read this book: Jump around like frogs (and rabbits). Put on some great jumping music and invite everyone (you too!) to jump around like frogs. Be sure to ask, "What sounds do frogs make?"

Make "Froggie Family Reunion" signs on white paper for everyone. Using yarn or string, hang the signs to look like the front of the frogs' T-shirts. Everyone should get comfortable (have a snack or three!), and share the story again.

At home: Make a favorite story-time place with piles of pillows, a snack (or three!) and your favorite storybooks (including "Too Many Frogs!").

Have some hoppin' fun with these great frog books: "Frog and Toad are Friends" by Arnold Lobel, any of the Froggy books by Jonathan London

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