

# WISCONSIN BOOKWORMS™

# Activity Sheet



## Imogene's Antlers

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When Imogene wakes up on Thursday morning, she discovers she has grown antlers. Follow Imogene's adventures as she makes the best of her antlers; as birdfeeders, a clothes dryer and even a candelabra. ("What fun you'll be to decorate, come Christmas!" says Mrs. Perkins, the cook, to Imogene.)

**Before you read this book,** talk about what antlers are...what do they do? What animals have antlers? Why do some animals have antlers? Introduce this book by looking at the first page...ask your kids what they would do if they woke up with antlers.

**While you read this book,** make sure everyone has a chance to see the picture on the last page...what does Imogene have now? Ask your kids what they would do if they had peacock feathers.

Reading tip: Discuss new words, such as "milliner." Looking at the story and pictures ask, "What do you think a milliner does?"

**After you read this book,** make your own antler bird feeders. You'll need: small branches, pinecones, peanut butter, bird seed, nuts, etc.

Coat the branches or pinecones with peanut butter and cover with seed and other fun things birds love to eat. ("What do birds like to eat?") Hang outside for everyone to enjoy.

At home: Give your child a photo they can add antlers to. What else can they add?

### Check out this other great imagination book

*Martha Speaks* by Susan Meddaugh

### And this great books from Reading Rainbow

*The Wing Shop* by Elvira Woodruff

Catch Reading Rainbow, 2:30 p.m. weekdays on Wisconsin Public Television.

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