

READING REINFORCEMENT



Foundational Skills

In addition to reading the numerous high-frequency words in the text, this book also supports the development of foundational skills.

Phonological Awareness: The /p/ sound

Substitution: Ask your child to say the following words without the /p/ sound:

pat - /p/ = at pop - /p/ = op Pam - /p/ = am pit - /p/ = it
peel - /p/ = eel pant - /p/ = ant pair - /p/ = air pin - /p/ = in

Phonics: The letter Pp

1. Demonstrate how to form the letters **P** and **p** for your child.
2. Have your child practice writing **P** and **p** at least three times each.
3. Ask your child to point to the words in the book that have the letter **p** in them.
4. Write down the following words and ask your child to circle the letter **p** in each word:

cap pal play happy hop pay pea
help sip stamp pal pale spot pretty
keep apple pen sample puddle carpet puppet

Fluency: Echo Reading

1. Reread the story to your child at least two more times while your child tracks the print by running a finger under the words as they are read. Ask your child to read the words he or she knows with you.
2. Reread the story, stopping after each sentence or page to allow your child to read (echo) what you have read. Repeat echo reading and let your child take the lead.



Language

The concepts, illustrations, and text help children develop language both explicitly and implicitly.

Vocabulary: Animal Names

1. Ask your child to name the animals in the story. Write the words on separate pieces of paper.
cat wolf donkey whale

2. Read each word to your child and ask your child to repeat it.
3. Mix the words up. Point to a word and ask your child to read it. Provide clues if your child needs them.
4. Mix the words up again. Read the following sentences to your child. Ask your child to point to the word described in the sentence:
 - Name the animal in the story that lives in water. (whale)
 - Which animal in the story is the only one you could have as a pet living in your house? (cat)
 - What animal lives in the forest and has sharp teeth? (wolf)
 - Which animal is used to help carry things? (donkey)



Reading Literature and Informational Text

To support comprehension, ask your child the following questions. The answers either come directly from the text or require inferences and discussion.

Key Ideas and Detail

- Ask your child to retell the sequence of events in the story.
- How did Pinocchio and his dad get out of the whale?

Craft and Structure

- Is this a book that tells a story or one that gives information? How do you know?
- Did this story have a happy ending? Why do you think so?

Integration of Knowledge and Ideas

- What other things besides puppets can be made of wood?
- What is the lesson in this story?