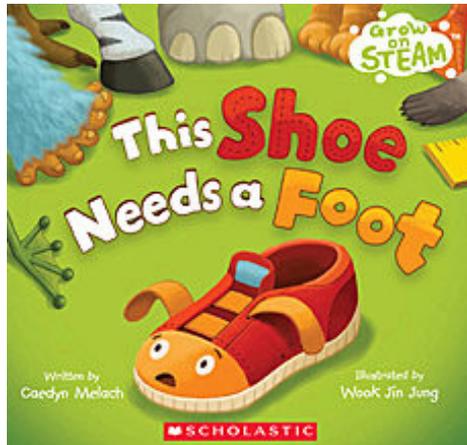


EARLY LITERACY ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES

Recommended Age Group: Preschool



Book Highlight:

This Shoe Needs a Foot

By Caedyn Melach with illustrations by Wook Jin Jung

Have you ever lost a shoe? What will this lost shoe do? In this book, friendly feet compare, count, and measure to see which one will fit a lonely shoe. Have your feet ready to wiggle and get ready to giggle with this fun, interactive book!

Questions to Ask While Reading

Asking questions while reading is a great way to support your child's learning. Ask questions that draw your child's attention to details in the story, encourage your child to make predictions, help your child understand new words, and support your child in recognizing similarities and differences between the story and their life. Try these out to get started!

Birth - 3 Years Old

Can you show me your foot?

Which is the duck's foot? Show me!

Do you think that foot will fit? Why or why not?

Which animal had the smallest/biggest foot?

3 - 5 Years Old

Which animal do you think that foot belongs to?

Do you think that foot will fit? Why or why not?

How many different feet tried on the shoe?

What does a ruler do?

Activities to Keep Children Engaged

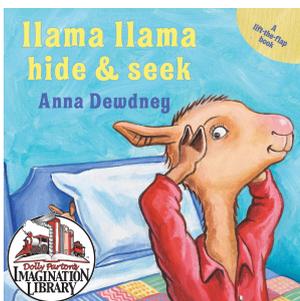


Scan to see a video of
This Shoe Needs a Foot
being read.

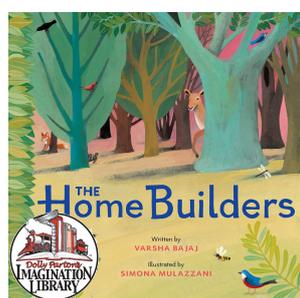
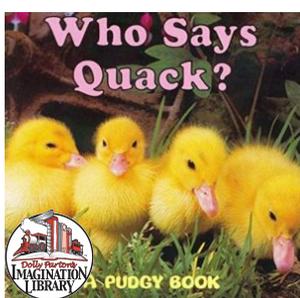
Foster a love of reading through fun activities!

- As you read, talk to your child about how you are using the book; holding the book upright, turning the pages, and looking at the illustrations. These are all pre-reading skills you are helping your child build! Depending on your child's age and development, you may encourage them to turn the pages and point out what they see on each page.
- After you have read the book several times, read all but the final rhyming word and encourage your child to complete the phrase. For example, read "Look! My fine feet fit the groove! But now I cannot make them..." and prompt your child to fill in the last word 'move.' Depending on your child's age and development, you may fill in the word for them after a pause, you may do it together as you prompt your child to say the rhyming word, or they may do it on their own.
- Give your child a ruler to play with. Help your child use the ruler to measure things; their feet, toys, and anything else they are interested in measuring!
- Play your own game! Gather shoes from around your home and take turns trying them on to discover who they belong to. Your child could continue this game with stuffed animals, dolls, and other play figures.

If your child likes
this book, try these next!



"The seeds of dreams are often found in books and the seeds you help plant in your community can grow across the world."
~ Dolly Parton



Vocabulary from the book:

Rumpled: wrinkled or creased

Groove: a narrow channel or opening

Paired: to put into a group of 2



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