



Perry Public Library Storytime

A Parade of Pets



Stories we shared:

Dear Zoo: by Rod Campbell
Cookie's Week: by Cindy Ward

That's my dog! by Rick Walton
I took my frog to the library: by Eric Kimmel

Other books you may enjoy sharing:

Feathers for lunch: by Lois Ehlert
Mary Had a Little Lamb: Sarah Hale
Cookie's Week: by Cindy Wheeler
The dog who had kittens: by Polly Robertus
Our cat flossie: by Ruth Brown
Mog and bunny: by Judith Kerr
Charlie Anderson: by Barbara Abercrombie
Annie and the wild animals: by Jan Brett
Guinea Pigs Don't read books : by Colleen Bare
Wake up Mr. B: by Penny Dale
Emma's Pet: David McPhail
Your Pet Dinosaur: by Hudson Talbott
Oma and Bobo: by Amy Schwartz
Mr. K and Yudi: by Karen Stanton
Chewy Louie: by Howie Schneider
A fish named Spot: by Jennifer Goldfinger
I want a pet: by Lauren Child
My cat Jack: by Patricia Casey

Ten Puppies: by Lynne Reiser
Three Little Kittens: by Paul Galdone
Billy's Beetle: by Mick Inkpen
Jeremy Koloo: by Tim Mahurin
Aunt Nina and her nephews and nieces: by Franz Brandenburg
Marmalade (series) by Cindy Wheeler
Painter's Cat: by Sharon Wooding
John Brown, Rose, and the midnight cat: by Jenny Wagner
Clifford the big red dog : by Norman Bridwell
Everyday Pets: by Cynthia Rylant
Sesame Street pet Show: by Emily Kingsley
Pet Show: by Ezra Jack Keats
Second Hand Cat: by Gloira Kaman
Sleepy Pendoodle: by Malachy Doyle
Let's get a pup,said Kate: by Bob Graham
An octopus followed me home: by Dan Yaccarino
Mice are nice: by Charles Ghigna
Bark George: by Jules Feiffer



Early Literacy Extras:



☼ Talk about the word "kitten" sound out the different parts of the word "kit-ten"
– say them separately and then together again, first slowly and then faster.
Clap once for each syllable of the word. Do the same thing with words like "puppy, turtle, hamster."

- ☼ Help your child think of words that rhyme with "pet" like "met, let, get, jet, wet, set, forget, net, yet"
– make up silly rhymes with these words. Try rhyming "dog" too!
- ☼ Help your child think of words that start with the "P"- "puh" sound (pot, pan, pig, pen, purple, pink, pizza, pickle, peas, pear, puppy, penny)
- ☼ Help your child think of other types of pets that families may have (iguana, goldfish, parakeet, guinea pig, hermit crab, chameleon, ferret, gerbil, and gecko). Learning these unususal names is a great way to expand your child's vocabulary!
- ☼ Very young children are fascinated by books featuring animals. Remember, it isn't just the book that builds early literacy skills, it's how the book is used. Be enthusiastic and get your child involved when choosing and reading books together. The library has a wide variety of animal books. You will both enjoy this special time you share together!
- ☼ Because songs automatically break down words into smaller sounds through tones, singing with your child is one of the best ways develop early literacy skills. Songs and rhymes will also help your child to identify patterns, like rhyming words, which will help them learn to read. Try the songs and rhymes on the following pages.

Songs and rhymes to share:

Kitty (stroke fist with other hand)

Soft kitty, warm kitty
Little ball of fur
Pretty kitty, sleepy kitty
Purr, purr, purr

Little Turtle

I have a little turtle (make a fist – stick out thumb)
He lives in a box (draw square in the air)
He swims in the puddles (pretend to swim)
And climbs on the rocks (pretend to climb)
He snapped at a mosquito (pinch with fingers in air)
He snapped at a flea
He snapped at a minnow
And he snapped at me!
He caught the mosquito (clap hands once)
He caught the flea
He caught the minnow
But he didn't catch me! (shake head "no")

How much is that doggy in the window?

How much is that doggy in the window? (bark, bark)
The one with the wag-aly tail.
How much is that doggy in the window? (bark, bark)
I do hope that doggy is for sale!

Can You?

Can You hop like a rabbit?
Can you jump like a frog?
Can you waddle like a duck?
Can you wag your tail like a dog?
Can you fly like a bird?
Can you swim like a fish?
Can you sit back down and be still like this?

Ears, Whiskers, Paws and Tail

(sing to "Head Shoulders Knees and Toes")

Ears, whiskers, tail and paws, tail and paws.
Ears, whiskers, tail and paws, tail and paws.
Fur and eyes, and mouth and claws.
Ears, whiskers, tail and paws, tail and paws.

Bingo

There was a farmer had a dog,
And Bingo was his name-o.
B-I-N-G-O!
B-I-N-G-O!
B-I-N-G-O!
And Bingo was his name-o!

My Cat (stroke fist with other hand)

There must be a motor inside of my cat
What else could it be that would sound just like that?
I've learned how to start it by rubbing her fur
But I never learned how to turn off the purr!

If I Were a Dog

After my bath I try, try, try
To rub myself till I'm dry, dry, dry (rub arms)
Just think how much less time it would take
If I were a dog
And could shake, shake shake! (shake body)

Call the Cat and Dog

Call the cat	(cup hands around mouth)
And give her some milk	(pretend to pour)
Brush her coat	(pretend to brush)
Till it shines like silk	
Call the dog	(cup hands around mouth)
Give him a bone	(extend hand)
Take him for a walk	(walk fingers)
Then take him home	(form roof shape with fingers)

Mary Had A Little Lamb

Mary had a little lamb
Little lamb, little lamb
Mary had a little lamb
Whose fleece was white as snow



Match the Pets

