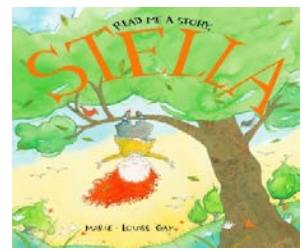




Read Me A Story, Stella

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Sam and Stella are siblings who love to go on adventures together. While on these adventures, Stella always has a book in hand which helps with their new discoveries!

Before:

Before you read, take some time to introduce the story to the children. Use the cover of the book to create a question to help focus the children's attention on the story. A good example question is, "I wonder what kind of story Stella is going to tell."

During:

While you are reading continue to use the illustrations to create and ask questions. Talk about the different discoveries Sam and Stella are making on their adventure. Point out any rare words and define them in a way that the children will understand best.

Rare Words in *Read Me A Story, Stella*

Nest: a structure or place made or chosen by a bird for laying eggs and sheltering its young.

Velvet: a closely woven fabric of silk, cotton, or nylon that has a thick short pile on one side.

Glide: move with a smooth continuous motion, typically with little noise

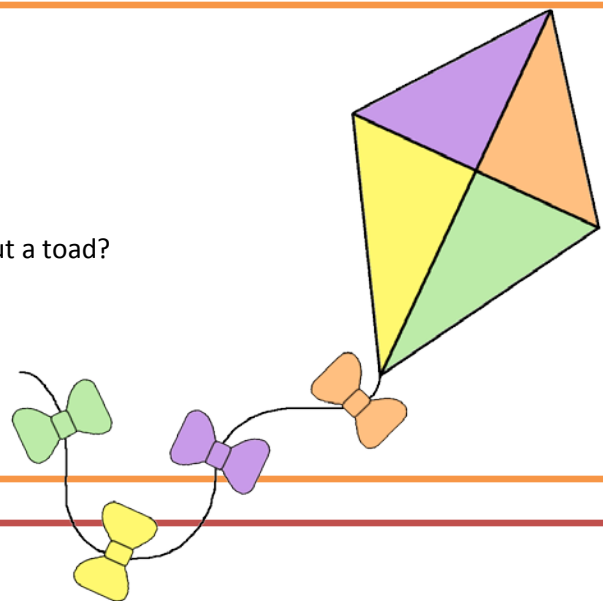
Swoop: (especially of a bird) move rapidly downward through the air

Tornado: a mobile, destructive vortex of violently rotating winds having the appearance of a funnel-shaped cloud and advancing beneath a large storm system

After:

Discuss the story. Ask Questions...

- What does Sam want to build for his dog, Fred?
- What is Sam doing in the pond while Stella is reading about a toad?
- What kind of jacket does Stella say the toad is wearing?
- What happens to Sam's kite?
- How does a bat read?
- Who is in the story that Stella reads before bed?



Let's Talk About *Read Me A Story, Stella*

Stella really loves to read and Sam loves to learn new things from Stella. Do you like to read? What is your favorite book to read? What have you learned from stories you have read before?

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Go Out and Explore On A Scavenger Hunt!

Create a list of insects, habitats, leaves, and objects in the yard and take your child out to explore! When you have completed your hunt talk about the different things you have found and what you have learned!



Going For a Walk

Going for a walk is so much fun,

(Walk around.)

We look at all the lovely trees.

(Cup hand above eye.)

We don't hurry, we don't run,

(Shake head.)

We watch for birds, and watch for bees.

(Flap arms, then make buzzing sounds.)



What's included in the kit

- Frog Jokes
- Animal Facts Book
- Forest Picture Match
- Rainforest Clip and Learn 1-10
- Bat Jigsaw Puzzle
- Butterfly Picture Match
- Butterfly Lacing Activity
- Letter Clip Cards

