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ACTIVITY SHEET FOR CLASSROOMS



The Bear Ate Your Sandwich

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SING TOGETHER

- Now that your class has finished reading *The Bear Ate Your Sandwich*, it's time to learn and play! At the end of the story, the bear is happy to be home in the forest. Pretend to go on an adventure and meet a bear in the forest by singing this fun and silly song written by Michael Rosen: *Going on a Bear Hunt*. Check out readfortherecord.org for music and lyrics!
 - As you sing, ask students to listen for words that begin with the /s/ sound. How many can they hear?



READ MORE

- Enjoy stories about other bears by checking out *The Little Mouse*, *the Red Ripe Strawberry and the Big Hungry Bear* by Don and Audrey Wood, or *Please, Mr. Panda* by Steve Antony.
- Explore new cities, just like the bear, by reading *Last Stop on Market Street* by Matt de la Peña or *Make Way for Ducklings* by Robert McCloskey.
- Read more by Julia Sarcone-Roach by picking up *Excellent Ed* or *Subway Story* today!



WRITE MORE

- Have students write a story about what would happen if a bear visited your school. Encourage your students to write a story using the following prompts:
 - What would happen if a bear wandered around our school?
 - Where would he go and what would he see?
 - What other adventures could the bear have?



PLAY A GUESSING GAME

- Play a silly guessing game with words from *The Bear Ate Your Sandwich*. Introduce book-related vocabulary words by breaking them down into smaller parts. Ask students to listen closely to the words you are saying and when they think they know what it is, raise their hands to share with the class!
b-ea-r d-og s-and-wich f-or-est scr-atch-ing tr-ee-s



MAKE A BEAR

- Materials needed: a paper plate, brown construction paper, black construction paper, markers, scissors, and glue.
 - Start by cutting two small half circles out of the brown construction paper for the ears.
 - Tear the rest of the brown construction paper into small pieces, so that there is enough to cover the whole paper plate.
 - Make sure the paper is turned over and begin gluing the pieces to the plate.
 - Glue the ears on to the top of the plate.
 - Cut out three circles out of the black construction paper: 2 for the eyes and 1 for the nose.
 - Glue onto the paper plate.
 - Decorate the bear with markers!



VOCABULARY

delicious: good to taste

disappeared: out of sight

distance: a point far away from another point or place

doze: to sleep lightly for a short period of time

drifted: to float along on water

familiar: well known

interesting: holding or catching your attention

ripe: fresh, ready to be eaten

rocked: to move back and forth

rumbling: a low, constant sound

scratching: to rub with something sharp to stop an itch

surprise: the feeling when something unexpected happens

tastiest: having the best flavor



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MAKE A MATCH

- Test your memory with this fun alphabet memory game!
- Check out readfortherecord.org for the template.
 - Print out the Make a Match template and cut out the upper and lower case letters.
 - Lay all of the cards face down on a table.
 - Player 1 will flip two cards overs to see if they match.
 - If they do, Player 1 gets to keep the match.
 - If not, Player 1 flips the cards back over and Player 2 goes.
 - Continue playing until all of the matches have been made.



EXPLORE TOGETHER

- Time to take a bear walk! Use these questions and directions as a guide as you take a walk around your school or playground. Ready? Let's go!
 - Raise your hands up over your head and stretch.
 - Start walking and listen closely to what's going on around you. What do you hear? Do you hear the buzzing of bees like the bear does?
 - Stand up straight and look around you. What do you see?
 - If you were a bear, where could you climb?
 - Find a spot to pretend itch your back.
 - Can you find any mud or something squishy?
 - Sniff the air. There are lots of interesting smells in your neighborhood. What do you smell?
 - Where can you have fun in your neighborhood? Is there a park nearby?
 - Keep your eyes open for any animals. If you find any, what noises do they make? Do they sniff, snuffle, slobber, or snort?
 - Before heading back to school, be sure to look for any sandwiches that may be sitting on park benches!



CREATE YOUR OWN EARS

- Create your bear-y own bear ears! Materials needed: brown construction paper, scissors, crayons or markers and a stapler or tape.
 - Cut two half circles out of the brown construction paper. These will be the bear ears.
 - Decorate the ears with crayons or markers.
 - Cut one inch strips of brown construction paper to create a headband to fit around the student's head.
 - Staple or tape the strips of brown construction paper together to create a headband.
 - Staple or tape the bear ears to the front of the headband.
 - Wear! You look just like a bear!

