Read Aloud Guide for Families





Animal Fair

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Themes: Humor, Playfulness, Cause and Effect

Book Brief: Monkey causes mishaps and mayhem

at the local fair.

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, "Have you ever been to a fair or carnival? What was the most fun or silly thing you saw there?"
- Explain to your child that this story is a funny poem about a monkey who causes lots of trouble and silly situations at a fair.

While Reading: Make Connections

- What is the monkey doing at the fair? How is he acting?
- What kinds of silly or funny things happen in the poem?
- What do you notice about how the words sound? Do any words rhyme or repeat?

After Reading: Ask Questions

 Ask, "What was the funniest part of the poem? How did the words and rhymes make the story more fun?"

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Create your own silly fair poem! Help your child think of an animal and write a short rhyming poem about what funny things that animal might do at a fair. Act it out together with silly voices and movements.
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