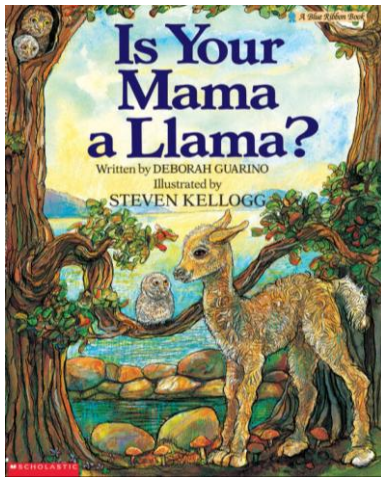


Read Aloud Guide for Families



Is Your Mama a Llama?

Author: Deborah Guarino

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Themes: Problem-Solving, Family, Friendship

Book Brief: A delightful rhyming story about Lloyd the llama, who asks his friends for help finding his mama by learning about their own families!

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, “What do you know about different animals and their babies? How can you tell which baby belongs to which parent?”
- Explain to your child that this story is a rhyming book about a baby llama named Lloyd who is looking for his mama by asking other animals about their mamas.

While Reading: Make Connections

- What question does Lloyd ask the other animals? What is he trying to find out?
- How do the different animals describe their mamas? What clues do they give?
- What do you notice about how the words sound? Do the words rhyme?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, “How did Lloyd finally find his mama? What makes each animal's mama special and different?”

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Play “Animal Mama Match.” Take turns describing an animal mama (like “she has wings and feathers” or “she lives in the water and has flippers”) and guess which animal it is, just like Lloyd learned about different animals and their mamas.
- Read more books with rhymes, stories about animals and their families, or books about looking for something.