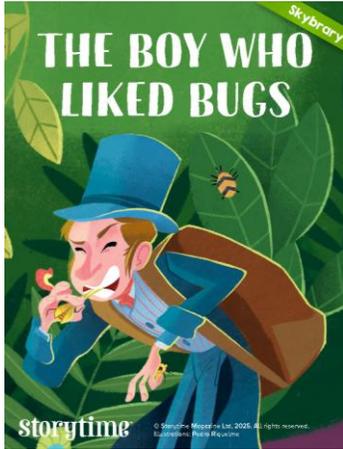


# Read Aloud Guide for Families



## The Boy Who Liked Bugs

*Author: Storytime*

*Illustrator: Pedro Riquelme*

**Themes:** STEM, Curiosity

**Book Brief:** The true story of a boy who had to catch them all – insects, that is!

## READ ALOUD

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### Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, "Do you like to collect things, like rocks, toys, or trading cards? What do you enjoy collecting?"
- Explain to your child that this story is about real events, but it is told like a story with characters, a setting, and events in order.

### While Reading: Make Connections

- What does Charles love to collect? How does he feel about bugs and insects?
- What does Charles's father want him to do? Does Charles follow that path?
- What funny or surprising things happen to Charles while collecting beetles? Who does he meet who shares his interests?

### After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, "What is the main idea of this story? How did Charles's love of collecting bugs help him become a scientist? What does this teach us about following our interests?"

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

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### If your child enjoyed this book:

- Start a collection together. Help your child begin collecting something they're interested in (leaves, rocks, pictures of animals, or drawings of insects). Create a simple notebook or box to organize their collection, just like Charles collected and studied beetles.
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