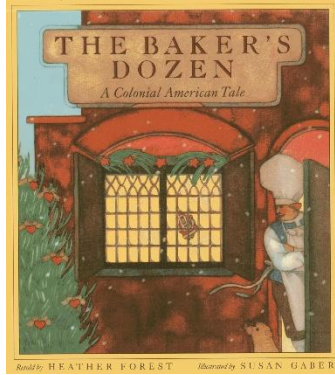


Read Aloud Guide for Families



The Baker's Dozen: A Colonial American Tale

Author: Heather Forest

Illustrator: Susan Gaber

Themes: Generosity, Kindness,
Honesty

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, "What do you know about a bakery and a baker's dozen?"

While Reading: Make Connections

- Why was the baker not generous or honest in the beginning of the story?
- What difficult lesson did the baker have to learn to begin to understand how to better treat his customers? Who helped him learn this lesson?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, "What did you learn from the story about treating people with generosity, kindness, and honesty?"

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Together, read more and different tales and fables about learning important life lessons. Try:
- [*The Bear, the Bat, and the Dove: Three Stories from Aesop*](#)
- [*The Great Smelly, Slobbery, Small-Tooth Dog*](#)
- [*Forty Fun Fables: Tales that Trick, Tickle and Teach*](#)