## Lucky Ducklings

### A RIF GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY COORDINATORS

Themes: Community Helpers, Habitats, Animals

**Book Brief:** When a duck takes her ducklings for

a walk, the last thing she expects is for them to fall down a storm drain! Read this true story of how a commu-

nity works together to rescue

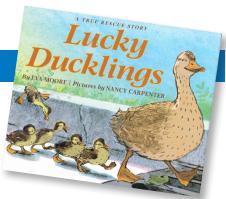
five trapped ducklings.

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#### **TIME TO READ!**

**Before reading:** Have any of the children seen a mama duck and her ducklings? How do the ducklings walk? Why? Explain that this a true story about some ducklings that needed a little help from friends when they went out for a walk with their mother.

#### **RELATED ACTIVITIES**

## GET YOUR DUCKS IN A ROW! (AGES 5-12)

Materials: index cards, pen

Make a set of number or alphabet cards. Give each child one card. When you say "ducks in a row," have children line up in numerical or alphabetical order. Time them, then see if they can beat their time! For older children, use cards with events in the story and have kids line up in chronological order.

## IF IT LOOKS LIKE A DUCK... (AGES 5-9)

Materials: paper plates, orange construction paper, markers or crayons, scissors, popsicle sticks, tape, glue

Have children use a paper plate to trace a circle onto construction paper. Cut out the circle and fold it in half



for the duck's bill. Glue bill onto the bottom half of the plate. Have children draw eyes on the top of the plate. Tape a popsicle stick

to the back of the plate. Let children reenact favorite scenes from the book with their new puppets.

## DUCK (EGG) HUNT (AGES 5-9)

Materials: plastic eggs

Who doesn't love a good egg hunt? For a twist on the traditional hunt, number the eggs

before hiding them. See who can collect the most. When all the eggs have been found, see if the children can put them in order.

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## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

#### OTHER BOOKS ABOUT ADVENTUROUS DUCKS

Little Quack, Lauren Thompson (2005)

Make Way for Ducklings, Robert McClosky (1941)

The Story about Ping, Marjorie Flack (1933)

