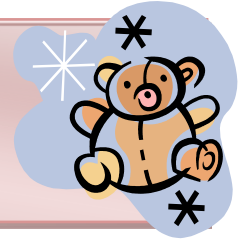




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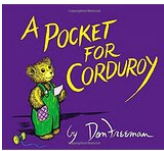
Family Learning Activities that Develop Readers Ready for School



Before Reading

Read the title of the story and ask your child why they think that Corduroy wants a pocket. Write down how they think he will use the pocket. While reading refer to what your child has predicted. The story begins with a mother and her daughter going to the laundromat. Talk with your child about what happens at the laundromat. Building background knowledge before reading helps children to better understand what they read.

Read Together



A Pocket for Corduroy* Don Freeman

Corduroy goes to the crowded laundromat where he searches for a pocket of his own. What happens when he is left over night in the laundromat?

*This book is also available in Spanish

After Reading

Clues in a Pocket

You will need:

- Envelopes to use as pockets
- Drawing paper
- Pencil

Ask your child to draw a picture and to put it in the envelope. Help your child write clues on the outside of the envelope. Then play a guessing game together to figure out the picture in the envelope. Switch roles, and you draw the picture and make some clues.

Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear

Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Touch the ground,
Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Turn around,
Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Walk upstairs

Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Say your prayers,
Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Turn down the light,
Teddy bear, teddy bear,
Say good night.

Encourage your child to perform the actions in the poem as you read it aloud.

Share New Words

- Laundry
- Pocket
- Overalls
- Name
- Cave



Look for These Books at Your Library

- 📖 ***Corduroy*** by Don Freeman
- 📖 ***Today is Monday*** by Eric Carle
- 📖 ***Bears*** by Ruth Krauss
- 📖 ***Where's My Teddy?*** by Jez Alborough
- 📖 ***There's a Wocket in My Pocket*** by Dr. Seuss

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