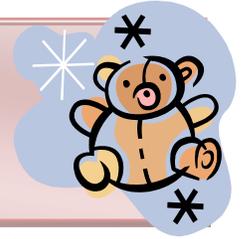




# Be Excited About Reading

## BEAR Book Activity

Family Learning Activities that Develop Readers Ready for School



### Before Reading

Help your child review basic book knowledge. Have your child point to the book's title. Also, have your child point to the book's author and then the illustrator. Remind your child that the author wrote the book's words and the illustrator drew the book's pictures.

### Read Together



### *Borreguita and the Coyote*\* Verna Aardema

Borreguita is a little lamb. She is barely a mouthful for a coyote. So, what can she do when a big hungry coyote wants to eat her?

\*This book is also available in Spanish

### After Reading

#### Sing Along Sheep Songs

##### Baa Baa Black Sheep

Baa, baa, black sheep,  
Have you any wool?  
Yes sir, yes sir,  
Three bags full.

One for the master,  
One for the dame,  
And one for the little boy  
Who lives down the lane.

Baa, baa, black sheep,  
Have you any wool?  
Yes sir, yes sir,  
Three bags full.

##### Mary Had a Little Lamb

Mary had a little lamb,  
Little lamb, little lamb,  
Mary had a little lamb,  
Its fleece as white as snow.

And everywhere that Mary went,  
Mary went, Mary went,  
Everywhere that Mary went,  
The lamb was sure to go.

It followed her to school one day  
School one day, school one day,  
It followed her to school one day  
Which was against the rules.

It made the children laugh and play,  
Laugh and play, laugh and play,  
It made the children laugh and play  
To see the lamb at school.

#### Retelling the Story

Encourage your child to retell the story. Use the pictures in the book to help your child remember what happened each time the coyote tried to eat Borreguita.

#### Share New Words

- Lamb
- Coyote
- Cheese
- Mountain



#### Look for These Books at Your Library

- 📖 *Wolf's Chicken Stew* by Keiko Kasza
- 📖 *The Tale of Rabbit and Coyote* by Tony Johnston
- 📖 *Coyote* by Gerald McDermott
- 📖 *So Happy!* by Kevin Henkes

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