

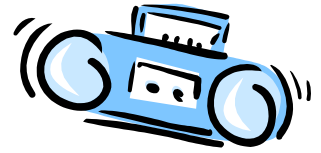


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• **Matching**

Children love any type of game that challenges them, especially matching games. You can create many different types of matching games that would go along with this story. Here are a few examples:

1. Tape record yourself making the different sounds of the animals in the book. Using magazines (or your own artistic abilities) have pictures of the animals your child will hear on tape. Ex: record yourself quacking like a duck, barking like a dog, growling like a bear and so on. Play the sounds one at a time for your child and have them pick the picture of the correct animal.
2. You can do the same type of activity using pictures and stuffed animals. Let your child hold the stuffed animal and find the match in a collage of pictures you put together.
3. Play the traditional matching game using index cards or squares of paper. Draw or cut out pictures of mother animals and baby animals. Have your child find the matches of babies and mothers.



Other books for children

Owl Babies by Martin Waddell

Mama Do You Love Me? by Barbara Joose

The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery Williams

Don't forget to visit your local library!!!



Tips for reading to young children

- Pick a regular reading time and read to your child everyday.
- Make reading time a special time by snuggling and cuddling.
- Read books that your child can safely handle.
- Read anything that you enjoy reading.
- Model reading as an adult.

