



SMALL-TOOTH-DOG PUBLISHING

Quill's Quests Activity Pack

Four books, four ways to play. Read together, then make something together.



YOUR TURN

Where is Gecko hiding?

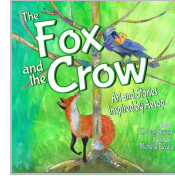
The Gecko is on the Cover, written by Sean and Michelle Buvala, illustrated by Michelle Buvala

On every spread, Gecko hides somewhere new, and the words tell you where she is. Finding her together reinforces your child's grasp of position words.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Quiet game: Find the full-color Gecko card in your kit and hand it to your child. Read the book together. On each spread, your child moves Gecko to her hiding spot on the page.

Active game: Your child holds the Gecko card while you read. Use the position word on each page to ask where else Gecko could hide. If Gecko is behind the flower pot, ask, "What else could Gecko hide behind?" Your child might lay Gecko on the floor behind the dresser and say, "Gecko hides behind my dresser!"



YOUR TURN

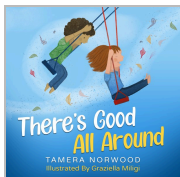
Rooster needs a tail!

The Fox and the Crow, written by Sean Buvala, illustrated by Michelle Buvala

The art in this book is paper collage. Rooster's tail is made from paper strips shaped into long feathers. Now your child gets to give Rooster a tail, any way they like.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

1. Tear the construction paper into strips. Tearing gives each strip a soft, feathery edge.
2. Start at Rooster's tail area and glue the strips on.
3. Color Rooster with the included crayons or any art supplies you have.
4. Want more? Glue small construction paper pieces onto your Rooster.



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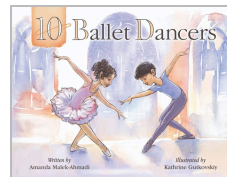
There's good all around me!

There's Good All Around, written by Tamera Norwood, illustrated by Graziella Miligi

Even when times are hard, there is still good all around us. Stop and pay attention, and you'll find it.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

1. Find the *There's Good All Around Me* sheet. Turn the person into you: your hair, face, clothes, and style.
2. Look around wherever you are. The backyard? The kitchen? Grandma's house? The library? What makes you smile or feel good?
3. Take turns saying the good things you see.
4. Your child draws or writes those good things on the sheet.
5. Hang it where your child can see it. Even on rough days, there are still good things around you.



YOUR TURN

Ballet dancer show time!

10 Ballet Dancers, written by Amanda Malek-Ahmadi, illustrated by Kathrine Gutkovskiy

In the book, boys and girls practice ballet for a performance. When the Tucson Festival of Books chose the prairie dog as its mascot in 2022, prairie dogs became our ballet dancers!

WHAT YOU CAN DO

1. Dress your prairie dog for the recital with crayons or any art supplies. Tutu, vest, jacket, pants, or anything you want your dancer to wear.
2. For a tutu, fold a cupcake liner in half and flatten it. Glue-stick the fold along the prairie dog's waist, then fluff it up.
3. For the handle, turn the puppet over and lay a craft stick on the back. One end sits about halfway up the cardstock. The other end extends below the bottom.
4. Check that the puppet is right-side up, then glue or tape the stick in place.
5. Dance along with your prairie dog!



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