



Llama Llama Red Pajama

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Extension Activities and Book Discussion Ideas:

- Baby Llama is wearing red pajamas. Ask all the children, “What is your favorite color for pajamas?” Make a graph to chart how many favor red, blue, green pajamas, etc., so the children can see which color is the most or least popular. This activity can also be done by the pattern on the pajamas, i.e., stripes, polka dots, plaids, floral designs, super hero or Disney characters, etc.
- Discuss the different rooms in the house shown in the book, i.e., bedroom, kitchen, etc. Ask the children what room of the house was Baby Llama or Mama Llama in when a particular action in the book happened. Discuss or ask the children about the other rooms in a house not shown in the book. Ask the children about places someone could read a book to them. Start with the rooms in the house, but don’t forget the library, school, playground, etc. Ask the children where their favorite place is to have someone share a book with them. This activity can also be graphed.
- Using the book, find something on each page that is a color or shape. For example, on page 1, find something that is brown or is shaped like a circle; on page 2, find something that is red or shaped like a rectangle, etc.
- Use clues when asking comprehension questions. For example, “What did Mama do after reading the book?” The answer begins with the sound, “k-k-k” (*kiss*); or “Where is Baby Llama sitting?” The answer begins with the sound “b-b-b” (*bed*).
- Discuss:
 1. Where in the world do llamas live besides zoos or farms? Help the child/children find Peru, Ecuador, Bolivia and the Andes mountains on a map.
 2. How do llamas live? Llamas live in herds, eat grass and hay, and their babies are called “crias” (*crees*).
 3. How do llamas look? Llamas have long, soft hair/wool and long, curved “banana” shaped ears, and they can be many different colors such as white, brown grey, black or piebald.

Discussion extension activities:

1. Draw a picture of a llama in the mountains.
2. Baby Llama has large ears. Name some other animals that have large ears: elephants, rabbits, etc., and animals who have small ears: cats, bears, etc.
3. Make a bulletin board of llamas living in a herd in the mountains. Have the children dictate a sentence about llamas or
4. Make a bulletin board of llamas in their pajamas. Have the child/children design and color their llama’s pajamas.