

Additional activities to use with your stories



Nora thinks Grandma's house is boring, even Jeff the giraffe is bored. When Grandma tells Nora she's seen a tiger in the garden Nora doesn't believe her. This is a story all about the power of imagination.

What others thought:

This is very enjoyable. The "are you real?" conversation and the power of imagination to make believe is great. The initial sense of threat when she is in the garden with Jeff compared to the safety/boredom of the home and fun that can be had from our experiences works really well.

Find your own tiger in the garden

Materials: nothing!
 Activity: Take the story outside into a garden or a park.
 Pretend that there's a tiger hiding in the garden, just like in the book.
 As you explore, encourage children to look for "magical" or imaginary creatures. You could create a scavenger hunt with clues leading to different areas where a tiger might be hiding.

• **Why do it?** This is a great way to spend time outside and explore imagination.

Make some tiger art

Materials: paper, pens, paint, and any other art supplies
 Activity: After reading the story, create your own tiger-inspired artwork. You could draw your own tigers, or even a whole jungle scene! Encourage children to be as imaginative as the main character and think about what other creatures or magical things might live nearby.

• Why do it? This enhances imagination and adventure found in the book.

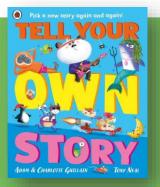












there are over 60 funny story options to choose what happens next or each page in this book. It encourages children to join in with the reading experience and practise using storytelling language.

With so many different story options to choose each time, these books can be read and enjoyed again and again and again!

What others thought:

This book is great fun for sharing and picking different elements to create stories. Great illustrations - loved it!

Create your own storytelling performance

- Materials: any props or costumes you might like to use.
 Activity: Use props to act out a simple version of a story. You can take everyday objects, like toy animals, dolls, or even hats and scarves, and create a little story using the props. For example, they can pretend that a toy elephant is on an adventure, and they
 - might need to make sounds or movements to show what the elephant is doing (like stomping, running, or jumping).
- **Why do it?** This helps develop children's language skills, creativity, and understanding of narrative through play.

Story sensory play

- Materials: your book buddy
- **Activity**: Create a sensory play activity based on the story's themes. For example, you can set up a sensory box with materials related to different parts of a story—like sand for a beach, soft fabric for clouds, or fake leaves for a forest. As children explore the

materials, you can guide them through a simple story based on their senses (e.g., "Can you feel the sand? What happens next?").

• **Why do it?** This type of sensory storytelling encourages imagination while engaging young children's tactile senses, helping them connect with the story in a hands-on way.









