



Enrich, Excite, Explore!

Week 2 Day 7: Animal Studies - Bears

Read and watch the stories at [Scholastic Learn at Home](#) and then explore the activities below!

Read!

Bear Snores On by Karma Wilson paired with A Bear Cub Grows by Pam Zollman

Talk!

Talk about the stories as you read and watch together. Ask your child open-ended questions. What do they think will happen next? What did they like about the story?

Write!

My Bear Book

Make your own book by stapling a few pieces of paper together.

For each page of the book, ask your child a question about bears, and write down the answer. Your child can draw pictures to show his or her answer. If you don't know the answer, then look it up together to find out.

Some examples of questions:

- What do bears eat?
- Where do bears sleep?
- What do bears do in winter?
- How many cubs do bears usually have at one time?
- How do bears find food?

Sing!

Counting Bears

(Watch an example: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TdDypyS_5zE)

Using stuffed animals and a little blanket, or little bears cut out of paper, sing this counting rhyme. Have your child take away one bear each time “one fell out!”, and count how many are left. With very young children, you can start with 5 bears instead of 10.

There were 10 in the bed, and the little one said, “Roll over, Roll over!”

So they all rolled over and one fell out.

*continue counting down until there was one, and he said, “I’m lonely!” Then bring the other bears back while counting up to 10.

Play!

Bed for Bear

- Put 2 pieces of construction paper or manila file folder together with the long side facing up
- Fold down or cut the top piece so that it is shorter than the paper on the bottom. This will be the blanket
- Tape the two sides and bottom shut
- Decorate the bed
- Draw and cut 10 bears out of construction paper
- Put numbers 1 to 10 on the belly of the bears to encourage number recognition
- Tape each bear to a craft stick or straw
- Place the bears under the covers in the bed and act out the rhyme

Read More Together!

Books related to bears

- Snow Bear – E George, Jean
- Time to Sleep – E Fleming, Denise
- Where Do Bears Sleep – E Hazen, Barbara
- Old Bear – E Henkes, Kevin
- Big Bear Hug – E Oldland, Nicholas
- We’re Going on a Bear Hunt - E Rosen, Michael
- My Little Polar Bear – E Rueda, Claudia

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