



Activity ideas

Draw your favourite character from the book and make stick puppets.

Ask children to write their own story – Nicholas didn't get to tell his story but what would their book be about? Dress up - have a competition for best dress up on the day.

Encourage children (and adults!) participating in your NSS events to dress up with costumes, masks, hats.

Queen activity ideas - http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/decorate_the_crowns.htm,
http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/pdfs/crown_tracing_2.pdf

Monster activity ideas - http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/monster_crafts.htm

Pirate activity ideas - <http://www.busybeekidscrafts.com/Pirate-Activities-for-Kids.html>

Mouse activity ideas - http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/rat_mask_printable.htm

Elephant activity ideas -

http://www.activityvillage.co.uk/pdfs/complete_the_picture_elephant.pdf

Story matches

Books with similar themes or categories

9781862919402 Terrible Suitcase

9781742830636 Pros and Cons of Being a Frog

9781742830063 Pout Pout Fish

9781742830759 Pout Pout Fish in the Big Big Dark

9781862918931 Too Loud Lily

9781865042749 Emily Loves to Bounce



9781862915862 Emily and the Dragon
9781862914438 Pog
9781741693300 Hunting for Dragons
9781741693379 Princess and the Packet of Frozen Peas
9781742830452 Emperor's New Clothes Horse
9781741694994 I Don't Believe In Dragons
9781407115566 Zog
9780864619358 Puff the Magic Dragon + CD
9781742760285 Puff the Magic Dragon Board Book

Other books by Nick Bland

9781865046013 A Monster Wrote Me a Letter
9781865046112 Monster Wrote Me a Letter
9781741695410 When Henry Caught Imaginitis
9781741693539 Twinkle
9781741690996 Donald Loves Drumming
9781741690989 Donald Loves Drumming
9781742838786 Very Itchy Bear
9781742838007 Very Brave Bear
9781742832951 Magnificent Tree
9781742831701 Very Hungry Bear
9781742831268 Very Cranky Bear Board Book
9781741699920 Very Cranky Bear
9781741698909 Runaway Hug
9781865044057 Runaway Hug
9781741697933 Some Dads
9781741697919 Aunties Three

Links

The Wrong Book smartphone app - <http://wearewheelbarrow.com/the-wrong-book/>

Scholastic Australia teaching notes –

http://www.scool.scholastic.com.au/schoolzone/toolkit/assets/pdfs/Wrong_Book_Teacher_Notes.pdf

Braille and talking book format

http://www.galloplibrary.org/Library/openbiblio/shared/biblio_search.php

Songs/Rhymes

Pussy cat, pussy cat, where have you been?

I've been to London to visit the queen!

Pussy cat, pussy cat, what did you there?

I frightened a little mouse under her chair.

Credit: Traditional

Row row row your boat gently down the stream

Merrily merrily merrily merrily life is but a dream

Row row row your boat gently down the stream

Merrily merrily merrily merrily life is but a dream

Row row row your boat far across the sea

Heave ho heave ho that's the life for me

Row row row your boat far across the sea

Heave ho heave ho that's the life for me

Row row row your boat far across the sea

Help there is a pirate ship heading straight for me

Row row row your boat quickly back to shore

Merrily merrily merrily merrily safe at last once more

Credit: Traditional

Hickory, dickory, dock,
The mouse ran up the clock.
The clock struck one,
The mouse ran down,
Hickory, dickory, dock
Credit:Traditional

Publicity ideas

Invite a VIP Guest to be a reader at your NSS event. You can use the letterhead to write your invitation letter.

Invite the media. The media loves colourful, feel-good stories and being in the paper, on a news website or even on the television news can be a lot of fun! With your NSS posters and balloons, your VIP Guest Reader and your group dressed up in masks and costumes there will be lots of moments to create a positive media story. Use your networks or build new connections with your local media outlets to help us promote literacy and reading to Australian children.

Check our Media Resources page for some handy hints. And don't forget to send us photos and newspaper articles from your local media!