

The Garden Party

OBJECTIVE

Rereading the story gives the child the opportunity to memorize the story and "read" it to others.

READING THE STORY

The first time you read the story show the cover page and ask the children what they think this story will be about. Read the title and author's name. Read the story as written.

Sing the "Garden Party" song after reading the book for the second time or sing the song while turning the pages of the book.

The third time you read the story have the children guess what creature will be hiding on the following page and see if they remember which plant is hiding the creature.

The fourth time use the props to help tell the story.

The fifth time have the children read the story along with you.

USING PROPS TO EXTEND THE STORY

Print the creatures and plants on cardstock and laminate for future use. Glue each on a pop stick. Give one creature and one plant that are matching to each child. Ask them to hold up the plant with the creature hiding behind the plant then when their creature appears in the story hold up the creature.