

There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly by Pam Adams

Anyone can be a great storyteller with this book. The die-cut holes with animals peeking through beg the reader to turn the page. And if you share this story often enough, your child will be able to tell the story to you!

Storytelling can play a fundamental role in a child's learning. Telling and listening to stories enhances both speaking and listening skills. Storytelling also builds vocabulary and helps a child develop reading and writing skills. Use these tips from Parenting Counts to enhance storytelling with your child.

- Keep stories and conversations fun and interesting.
- Children love make-believe stories, especially when they get to be the star of the story. Have Mom or Dad, or even a family pet, play supporting roles.
- Encourage your child's imagination by using open-ended conversation starters such as, "I wonder what it would feel like to be a frog and live on a lily pad?" Or try, "How do you suppose that tree got to be so big?"
- Be creative. Learning about language and stories can take many forms, such as retelling a favorite story, singing together, reciting a favorite rhyme, or even telling knock-knock jokes.



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