

Learning together...

Curriculum Area: Drama

Recommended for: Preschool

Learning Activity: A Lion in the Night

(Activity 1)

Big Idea:

Stories can be re-told in different ways, including through dramatic play.

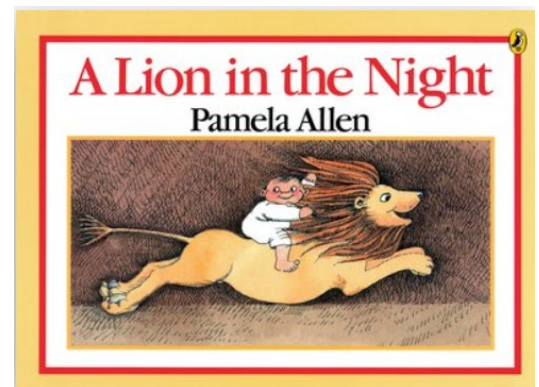
What to do:

Read the story '[A Lion In the Night](#)' by Pamela Allen:

Having read the book go back to the beginning and ask your child/family "Who would you like to be?" (some people may need to act out more than one character)

Older children could try to retell the parts of the story they remember or retell the story using the following to guide you:

1. Everybody was sleeping in the castle and a friendly Lion came to steal the baby
2. The Queen woke everyone up and they followed the Lion
3. They stomped through the fields
4. They skipped through the forest
5. They crept by the Church
6. They got in their boats and rowed
7. They climbed up the Mountain
8. They slid down the Mountain
9. Then they all stopped. The Lion growled and then roared.
10. Everyone climbed the mountain, slid down the mountain, rowed their boats, crept past the church, skipped through the forest, stomped through the fields and got back to the castle.
11. Everyone had yummy things for breakfast and then, because it was morning
12. And then, because it was morning, the Lion disappeared. The End.



Benefits:

- Encourages physical development
- Increases sensory development
- Comprehension and retelling
- Coordination
- Memory and recall
- Promotes a feeling wellbeing

Links to Early Years Learning Framework:

Outcome 4: Children are confident and involved learners

Outcome 5: Children are effective communicators