

I Want 100 Dogs

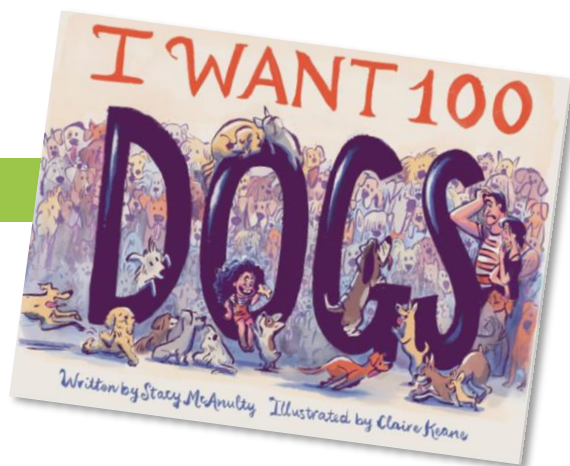
READ ALOUD GUIDE

Themes: Animals, Counting, Family, Humor

Book Brief: A young girl's wish for 100 dogs leads to silly challenges as she revises her request, facing questions like where they'll sleep and how to walk them. This playful counting tale highlights the joys of canine company while proving that sometimes less is more when finding the perfect pet.

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Claire Keane



BEFORE READING

The Cover: Have students make predictions about the story based on the cover.

The Pictures: Take a brief picture walk and ask students what they notice about the girl.

Prior Knowledge: Ask students, "How do you care for a pet?"

Vocabulary: Frontload Tier 2 words using the accompanying [Vocabulary Guide](#).

Purpose for Reading: "As we read today, listen for what the girl learns about caring for a dog."

DURING READING

Check for understanding & make connections:

- What do the character's faces tell you about their thoughts of the idea?
- Look at the illustrations. Compare and contrast the girl's thoughts with her parents' thoughts.

AFTER READING

Our Purpose: The girl wanted 100 dogs. What did she learn about caring for a pet?

Extending Our Thinking: The girl wanted 100 dogs, but quickly realized that it would be hard work. Using [RIF's Writing Template](#), have students complete the following prompt. What would you want 100 of and why?

If your students enjoyed this book...

- Encourage them to continue to discuss it and refer to it in other lessons and conversations.
- Let them explore more about dogs.
 - [A Pup Names Bunch](#) (2024)
 - [Can I Be Your Dog](#) (2018)
 - [Maxine Gets A Job](#) (2024)