



Animal Stories: The Hungry Wolf and Masha and the Bear

A BAREFOOT DISCUSSION GUIDE FOR AGES 5-11

The Hungry Wolf

- 1. The lamb says she doesn't know her name to avoid becoming a tasty snack. Do you know the names of all baby animals? What is a baby hedgehog called? What is a baby porcupine called? Find some tricky baby animal names and test your friends! (See answers below.)
- **2.** Draw a map of where you live. Mark where your friends and family members live, too, or imagine silly places for them to live. Are they hidden in a compost heap? On the sofa? In the woods?
- 3. Where would you like to live? In a tree house? In a cave by the river?
- **4.** Do you like singing? What would be a good song for the wolf to sing to show off to the lamb?
- 5. Plan a three-course meal. What would be on your menu?
- 6. What is the best piece of advice a grownup has given you?

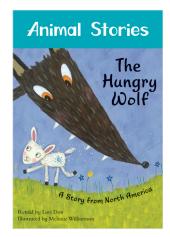
Masha and the Bear

- **1.** Have you ever gone into a forest? What sounds can you hear when you are deep in a forest? What do you think Masha could see when she was lost among the trees?
- 2. What do you like about woods and forests? What do you like about towns?
- **3.** What is the best thing about where you live?
- **4.** What chores do you do at home? Which ones do you enjoy the most? Why?
- **5.** Wherever the bear is, he thinks Masha can see him. Have you ever played "Squeak Piggy Squeak!"? This is how you play:
 - One person has a blindfold. One person—the "pointer"—has to choose someone in the group to squeak.
 - Once someone has been blindfolded, the pointer points to one of the other players and says, "Squeak, piggy, squeak!" The person has to squeak. The more difficult they make it for the person in the blindfold to guess who they are, the more fun it will be!
 - The person with the blindfold has to guess who the squeaky "piggy" is.
 - If they get it right, someone else takes the blindfold and the game starts again.









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