



Humor Reading for Early Literacy

Reading aloud every day helps children with hearing loss build literacy skills. Here are five “humor” books with specific concepts, skills and activities for incorporating LSL strategies into your reading time.

Reading List

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Listen to My Trumpet

Bark, George

I Want My Hat Back

Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing

Listen to My Trumpet

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FOR AGES 4+

Gerald and Piggie are back, and this time Piggie has a trumpet!

Word Focus...

Words to Review: Trumpet, Music, Loud, Shiny, “Bluurrk”, “Blap”, “Vrip” and “Grick”

Activity Ideas

1. **Use your smartphone to download free instrument and animal sound apps, or perform a search online.** Without your child looking, play a sound, point to your ear and say “listen...I hear a...!” Can your child tell the difference (discriminate) between animal sounds and instruments?
2. **Search and listen to trumpets (and other instruments) online with your child, or use real instruments you have at home.** Model complete sentences by saying “I like (or don’t like) the trumpet because it sounds ...” Take turns and see what your child will say.
3. **Make homemade musical instruments with your child.** Sing this song to the tune of “The Wheels on the Bus” “The drum/shaker on the bus goes ...” Pause and wait to see if your child will bang the drum/shake the shaker at the appropriate time in the song. **Use your voice** to imitate the sounds the instruments would make if you’re unable to create your own. For added fun, use the sounds Piggie made with the trumpet in the story, e.g. “The trumpet on the bus goes bluurrk, bluurrk, bluurrk!”

More On The Web

Listen: Read the book aloud

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9955wPd1msQ>

Do: Fun activities to do together

<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BzUGxaq9LSUDYzJreXI0MkEtMGM/preview>

Sing: The Best Sounds Around (instruments)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-kgpy-m9B6s>