

Interactive Reading Session – The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Target Vocabulary: caterpillar ate cocoon nibbled beautiful

<u>Monday</u> <i>I can listen to a story and link it to my own experiences;</i>	Pre-teach the target vocabulary.	Read the book together, if you don't have the book, click here to watch on YouTube.	Link the story to your child's own experiences; ask them what they know about caterpillars, which of the foods have they eaten etc?
<u>Tuesday</u> <i>I can name and describe pictures;</i>	Go over the target vocabulary.	Read/watch the book. Encourage your child to join in with the repetitions of the story.	Ask your child to make stick puppets by drawing and colouring pictures of the moon, sun, egg on a leaf, tiny and big caterpillars, the things he ate and a butterfly. Once your child has cut each picture out, attach them with tape to sticks, pencils or spoons to make individual puppets.
<u>Wednesday</u> <i>I can retell the story in my own words;</i>	Ask your child the target vocabulary.	Read/watch the book with your child joining in predictable sentence endings and story repetitions.	Ask your child to retell the key events of the story in their own words using the stick puppets as props.
<u>Thursday</u> <i>I can sequence a story;</i>	Ask your child the target vocabulary.	Read/watch the book with your child joining in predictable sentence endings and story repetitions.	Lay out the stick puppets in a random order and ask your child to sequence the story using the puppets.
<u>Friday</u> <i>I can make up my own story;</i>	Ask your child the target vocabulary.	Retell the story with your child's help, using the puppets.	Can your child make up a new story (orally or with their own pictures), based on what they have learned? e.g. what else might the caterpillar done after he emerged as a butterfly? Write down their story for them and ask them to add their own name.

Target Vocabulary



caterpillar



ate



cocoon



nibbled



beautiful

Questions you could ask throughout the story;

- Can you find the moon?
- What is this? (pause and point to something on the page you're on)
- Can you help me to count the oranges? (or strawberries, plums etc)
- I can't see the caterpillar, can you find him?
- Which one is the watermelon? Do you like watermelon?
- What size is the caterpillar now? (tiny or big, fat)
- The story starts on a Sunday, do you know what day comes after Sunday?
- Can you help me to name the days of the week? Let's start from Sunday....