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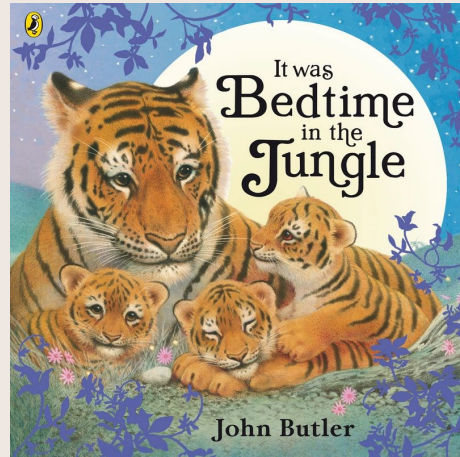
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It was Bedtime in the Jungle

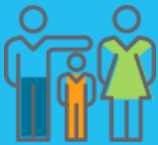
John Butler

Books with words that rhyme help children develop awareness of sounds in words. Children use sound awareness to help them learn how to read and write. It is good to make rhyming words stand out when reading a book. This book is also a great one to snuggle with and read before bedtime.



BEFORE READING...

If you want this to be a bedtime story:



- ▶ Point out that the title is about bedtime.
- ▶ Act out how the babies go to sleep on each page.
- ▶ Use the gentle "music" of the rhyming words to help your child relax and calm down from the day before going to sleep.

WHILE READING...



- ▶ Try to read the whole book or lots of pages together so that your child hears the rhythm of the words and how similar each page is.
- ▶ Read the story again and stop just before the number and last word on each page and wait. This will help your child notice the rhyme. They might even say it.
- ▶ Point to the rhyming words at the end of each line.

AFTER READING...



- ▶ Pick a page and talk about what you can see. Make sure you point to the parts of the picture that show what the rhyming words mean. They might be words your child hasn't heard before. For example, point to the "stream" that is "blue."
- ▶ Point out the number on the page and then count out the baby animals. "1 baby monkey, 2 baby monkeys."

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