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Book Tip Sheet

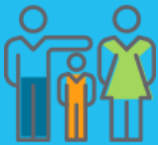
A River

Marc Martin

This is another beautifully illustrated book by Marc Martin about the power of imagination with subtle hints about life in the city versus life in the country.



BEFORE READING...



- ▶ Sit closely with your child and take time to look through the pages of the book. What do you notice? What do you think it will be about?
- ▶ Encourage your child to look at the title and point to the writing. Ask them to read 'A River' with you and repeat it.

WHILE READING...



- ▶ As you read help your child trace the winding track of the river across each page. This will help them engage with the different landscapes on each page.
- ▶ Talk about the things you notice as the river ventures away from the city. What happens to the colours on the page?

AFTER READING...



- ▶ Discuss the different environments all alongside the river. Encourage your child to draw using similar colours to what Marc Martin has used to illustrate one of the pages in the book.
- ▶ You may like to go to a local river, lake, beach, or water area and find items that make this area special or unique. Connecting your child's surroundings to what they have read helps build their sense of place in the world.

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