



Cruise into Kindergarten Storytime Outline



Basic Info (date, branch, age range, time, title or theme, if applicable):

Rain Forest Adventures

READ:

Nametags - One at a time, each child is given his laminated nametag and places it on the felt board.

Books: *The Umbrella* by Jan Brett

Hidden in the Grass by Barbara Taylor

TALK:

Talk about what "camouflage" means by showing examples in *Hidden in the Grass* by Barbara Taylor.

Ask children to share examples of "camouflage" they have seen before.

PLAY:

Place an open umbrella in the middle of the room; then as you read the story, place a picture of each animal in the story into the umbrella.

Hidden chameleons - Each of the children hides their chameleon in the room, as we hunt for it.

SING:

Hello song: *So Glad You're Here* by Hap Palmer

Goodbye Song: *Put Your Hands in the Air* by Hap Palmer

Five Little Monkeys Swingin' in a Tree

WRITE:

Each child gets a chameleon shape cut from transparency paper. They then use fabric markers to color designs on them.

Early Literacy Tip: Make reading interactive when sharing books with your child. Look at the cover and try to guess what the book is about before you begin, as you noticed me doing today. Ask your child questions as you read, listen to the answers, and discuss the book together. This develops your child's listening comprehension and vocabulary!