

Ducklings Activity Ideas W/C 13th July 2020

Dear Zoo by Rod Campbell

Share the story together.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=av54IMqPLW0> (link if you don't have a copy at home)

Retell the story

Encourage your child to retell the story in their own words, using the pictures to help them.

Talk about zoos. Has your child ever been to the zoo? This may develop into an opportunity to talk about the type of animals that are kept in zoos and how they differ from the animals we see in the wild in our country.

Make a zoo

Gather together different kinds of boxes and containers and encourage your child to make houses/ cages for the animals in the story. These could also be made using any kind of construction material that you have in your home, e.g. Lego. See ideas below.



Writing/ mark making If your child is showing an interest in writing, you may like to make some simple labels for the animal's cages.

Get active

Play a game where you 'become' one of the animals from the story using actions to help your child guess. Can they have a go? Encourage them to think about the size of the animal/ noise it may make/ how it may move, etc.