

Raising A Reader MA Story Guide Is Your Mama A Llama by Deborah Guarino

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Open Ended Questions

Before Reading:

- What do you think this story will be about?
- What clues does the title give me about the story?"
- What kind of bird is sitting on the tree branch?
- And what is a llama? Where do llamas live?

During Reading:

- Which words rhyme on this page?
- Why do you think bats hang by their feet? How do you sleep? Do you think it would be comfortable to sleep upside down?
- What other kinds of birds do you know, besides swans?
- What kind of food does Jane eat?
- Why do you think Rhonda's mom has a pouch?
- What is your mama like?

After Reading:

- What is your mama like? What do you do with your mama?
- Who are other members of your family?
- What baby animals and their mommas live near us?
- What did the llama look like? What color was it? What do you think its fur feels like? How many legs does it have?

Activity 1: Coloring Page

Activity Instructions:

• Participants color in the attached llama coloring page

Materials:

- Drawing supplies
- Llama coloring page

Activity 2: Animal Riddles

Activity Instructions:

- Tell participants the following clues and see if they can guess the animal:
 - o Riddle 1:
 - I have feathers and wings. When I am a baby, I am called a gosling. What animal am I?
 - o Riddle 2:
 - I live in a pasture and I graze on grass. When I am baby, I am called a calf. Who am I?



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o Riddle 3:

I live in the water. I have flippers and whiskers. My favorite food is fish. Who am I?

Materials:

• None

Activity 3: Popsicle Stick Llamas

Activity Instructions:

- Distribute popsicle sticks and glue
- Put the popsicles sticks together forming a llama with four legs.
- For the head, insert one popsicle stick in between the front legs,
- Glue the face to the head.
- Wrap 3 pipe cleaners of your favorite color around the Llama's legs, body and neck.

Materials:

- For each participant: 7 popsicles sticks, 3 pipe cleaners, 1 cut out of the Llama's face, 1 googly eye
- Glue





