

Lesson Plans - Week 1 - Lesson 1

Nursery Rhyme

Read the nursery rhyme "Humpty Dumpty" to the children. As a class, read the nursery rhyme a number of times. Encourage the children to point to each word as they read or listen to the rhyme. After reading the nursery rhyme a number of times, call out a word and have all the children find that word and point to it. For example, ask the children to point to the words 'wall' and 'horses' and 'men'. The children then practice reading the nursery rhyme to a partner.

Word Cards

Introduce the children to the words 'wall', 'horses', and 'men'. Study each word and look for common letter combinations or helpers that will help the children decode the words. The children mark the helpers on their individual word cards and take them home to practice reading them to their parent(s). The children then think of words that rhyme with each of the three words. If this is a new activity for the children, provide them with demonstrations and lots of examples.

Student Booklets

The children complete the **cloze** activity that goes with the nursery rhyme "Humpty Dumpty." After filling in the missing words, the children illustrate the nursery rhyme in the box provided. Their pictures should illustrate some aspect of the poem.

Writing Activity

The children write a complete sentence using each of the three new words they studied. If this is a new activity for the children, you may want to complete this activity as a class. Discuss complete and incomplete sentences to see if the children recognize when they have written an incomplete sentence.

Nursery Rhyme Concentration Game

The children work with a partner and play the Concentration Game when they have finished writing their sentences.