

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

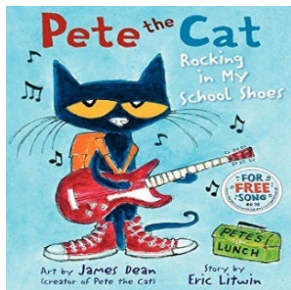


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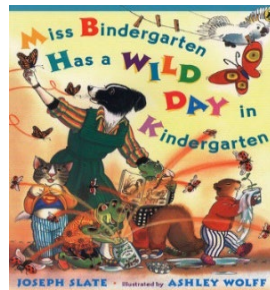
- Going into kindergarten is a big transition for children and it is never easy. Talk to your child about their feelings around going to school on the first day. Encourage them to share their fears and anxiety. Share your experience of attending school for the first time. What were you worried about? How did you overcome your fears? If children can relate to important adults in their lives, it may provide a sense of comfort.
- Sing together: This is the way we go to school
 - Tune: Mulberry Bush - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NZ1a94-tNyw>
 - Lyrics: This is the way we ***walk** to school, walk to school, walk to school.
This is the way we ***walk** to school so early in the morning.
Substitute with different action words: skip, hop, jump, lunge.
Try this song while you are on your way to school.

READ



Pete the Cat, Rocking in my School Shoes by Eric Litwin:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DrwvZugKWEY>

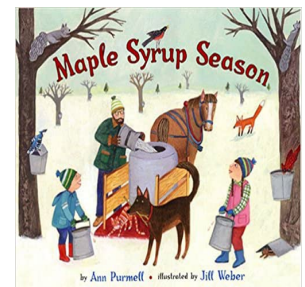
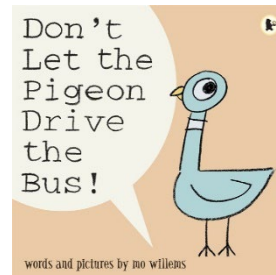


Miss Bindergarten Has a Wild Day in Kindergarten by Joseph Slate:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LvfnpzZrcWE>

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! By Mo Willems:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fnBjW7Huw3g>

Maple Syrup Season by Ann Purmell:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yGqz34KRLtM>



More fun riddles: <https://www.letsroam.com/explorer/riddles-for-kids/>

CREATE:



“My First Day of School” keepsake album

Print of First Day of School” signs:

<https://www.thingstoshareandremember.com/back-school-printable-signs/>

<https://ecdn.teacherspayteachers.com/thumbitem/First-Day-of-Kindergarten-Self-Portrait-2570573-1472930229/original-2570573-1.jpg>

Complete information on the sign and take a photo of your child with it and place the sign & photo in an album or binder. Re-produce signs annually. The keepsake album is a wonderful way to look back on your child’s school years.

Maple Syrup Candy Pop

Ingredients:

- 8 cups of fresh snow or grated ice
- 1 cup maple syrup + 1 tbsp grated ginger
- salt + 6 craft/popsicle sticks



Direction:

- Pack snow or grated ice on a baking sheet. Press down to create an even layer. Place in freezer.
- Combine maple syrup and ginger in a small saucepan. Bring mixture to a boil, stirring often until it reaches a soft ball stage (about 10-12 mins). Remove from heat.
- Place prepared baking sheet of snow from the freezer to the counter. Pour hot syrup mixture into 6 long strips over the snow. Quickly sprinkle a bit of salt over each syrup strip. Working quickly, use a craft stick to press gently on 1 end of each strip and roll slightly hardened maple candy mixture onto the stick, gently forming a candy pop....and enjoy your maple syrup candy pop!

PLAY

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. There are lots of things you can reuse the materials at your home and turn it into fun activities. Let’s use a tin can or a plastic container from the kitchen and turn it into a drum!

- **Materials:** tin can or cylindrical plastic container, large balloon, scissors, masking tape, glue, construction paper, stickers/markers/crayons/ribbons for decoration, wooden sticks.
- **Instruction:** Cut off the mouthpiece of the balloon and stretch balloon over the opening of the container. Secure it with masking tape. Glue construction paper around the container and decorate it.



Volcano Experiment: <https://youtu.be/kM2MiAwnzgA>

- Materials: cardstock paper, vinegar, baking soda and food colouring (optional) and a tray
- Instructions:
 - Make a “volcano” with cardstock paper and place it on a tray.
 - Make the “lava” by mixing vinegar and food colouring in a container, and then add baking soda.
 - Pour “lava” into the volcano and watch the eruption!

