

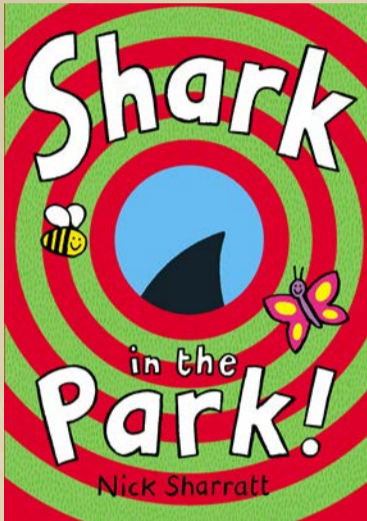


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Shark in the Park



Join a little boy on a trip through the park. Is that really a shark he can see? Look through the die-cut hole and then turn the page and find out...

A hilarious peep-through board book from the bestselling Nick Sharratt.

TOP TIPS FOR FAMILIES – Talk about the pictures

- Use your own home language when talking and sharing books together.
- You don't always have to read the words.
- Make your own story from the pictures.

What could the child do and what could they learn?

Let the child choose the book– this will show you what they are interested in.

Begin to handle books, learning which is the right way and how to turn the pages.

Hear and learn new vocabulary.

Link to Further Resources

Find out from the Bookstart Bear why stories and rhymes are so much fun when we enjoy them together!

http://www.bookstart.org.uk/have-some-fun/#/static/bookstart/have-some-fun/activities/top_tips_video/

What could adults do?

Observe the child, see which books they are interested in and what they want to do with them.

Role model looking at the book.

Join in the children's book sensitively

Provide a commentary on the pictures in the book, this gives children the words to match the pictures and can extend their vocabulary



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Shark in the Park Activity & Resource Ideas

- Make a telescope with your child using cardboard tubes (kitchen roll, gift wrap, pringles tube). Look through the telescope and see what you can see. Play I Spy. Take your telescope when you visit the park. Can you see something different?
- Through your telescope, watch your child go up and down on the see-saw, go down the slide, **Wheeee** and *fly* through the air on the swings. Perhaps you could feed the ducks too.
- If it is a windy day, take a kite to the park. If you don't have a kite, or there is no wind, you could also use a floaty scarf to run with.
- Talk about the black cat and the crow in the story and make cat and crow noises. Also, look out for crows and cats when you are out and about.
- Look at the different hair styles and chat about them.

Nick Sharratt reads Shark in the Park on a Windy Day

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R2RwvAHUAdc>



Shark Facts:

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/animals/sea-life/great-white-sharks/>



**Making ten minutes a day to share books with your child will make
a huge difference to their development**



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