



Together (Story) Time Procedure

1. Lay out enough carpet squares for the children and supporting adults around the storytelling chair so each child will be able to see the book.
2. When the children return from the playground, welcome them to the circle.
3. The storyteller leads the story song with appropriate actions:
*Let's read a book, let's take a look,
See what's inside, eyes open wide,
Who is going to choose today,
What does the magic pointer say?*
4. The storyteller then uses the finger pointing stick to 'magically' choose a child, who then chooses a book from the selection offered.
5. The adult reads the story clearly and slowly and encourages participation from the children as appropriate.
6. The adults supporting the children model the correct behaviour, talking gently and quietly to those children that need to refocus their attention.
7. When the story has finished, supporting adults encourage the children to thank the storyteller.
8. If there is time, children can choose 2-3 songs.
9. The children are then invited to say what they liked/ didn't like about the session and what they are looking forward to tomorrow.
10. At the end, the goodbye song, showing the movement of the hands to reflect the rhythm and pitch of the song.

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