

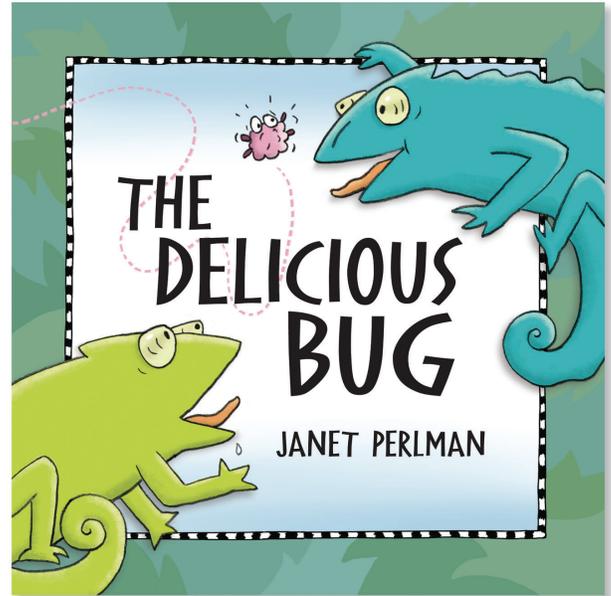
Storytime Suggestions for THE DELICIOUS BUG

Storytime Props

Make storytime more creative and fun by including props to encourage group participation, emphasize important scenes in the story and get into character.

You might include:

- toy animals — chameleons, frogs, crocodiles, etc.
- cotton ball with googly eyes
- pink ribbons (chameleon tongues)
- plate, napkin and fork



Activity Materials

Your group can use these suggested materials to explore concepts introduced in *The Delicious Bug*, such as sharing, cooperation, friendship and communication.

- chart paper
- markers or pencil crayons
- photocopies of activity on page 2

Before Storytime

Ask your group what they think *sharing* means and why it is important. How have they felt when they share things with their friends? How have they felt when their friends don't share with them? Ask your group to describe a time when someone didn't share with them.

After Storytime

Keep the fun going by asking your group to participate in some of the following activities:

1. Willy and Wally, the main characters in *The Delicious Bug*, are chameleons. Ask your group to describe the physical characteristics of a chameleon. What do chameleons like to eat? Where do chameleons live?

2. When Willy and Wally find themselves fighting over the plumpest bumblebug they've ever seen, they call each other names and refuse to share. Discuss these follow-up questions with your group: How does their fighting make the other animals in the marsh feel? What causes Willy and Wally to stop fighting over the bug? Why does the frog decide to share with Willy and Wally?

3. Hand out photocopies of the "dinner plate" on page 2. Ask your group to create a meal they would like to share with their friends. Just like the plump bumblebug, have them make their dinner something delicious — it could be real or something imaginary. But be sure to tell them to make enough to share with all their friends. Encourage them to be creative.



Draw a delicious meal you'd share with your friends.

