



A Pocket For Corduroy

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Activity Guide

A POCKET FOR CORDUROY

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Ages: 2-10

Themes: Friendship, Loss, Independence

Total playing time: Approximately 20 minutes

SUMMARY

Corduroy, a lovable stuffed bear, gets lost in a Laundromat looking for a pocket. After an all-night adventure he is rescued from a laundry basket by his owner and taken home to safety.

OBJECTIVES

- Students will make ASL - image - text connections.
- Students will learn the value of communication and independence.
- Students will expand their ASL vocabulary by 20 new signs.

BEFORE VIEWING DISCUSSION

- Ask if they have ever lost something and had to look for it?
- Have they ever been lost?
- How did they find their way?
- What do they put in their pockets?
- What does a laundromat look like?

AFTER VIEWING ACTIVITIES

Story Retention:

- Step through the 10-question quiz independently or in a group gaining consensus on the right answers.
- Have young readers describe their favorite scenes on the video and include 1 or more signs from that scene in their explanation.
- Was Corduroy scared?

- What color was his new pocket?
- Have young readers review and practice the ASL vocabulary.
- Ask the students what additional signs they learned while watching the story.
- Sit in a circle and have each student demonstrate a sign. Ask the other students to copy and guess what sign it is.

Spelling Practice:

- Simultaneously voice and sign various words from the story or vocabulary list while the students spell the signed word.

Life experience:

- What should you do if you get lost?
- Have you ever been to a Laundromat?
- Do you know how to do laundry?

Other:

- Complete all workbook activities

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A CREATURE WAS STIRRING, by Carter Goodrich

A POCKET FOR CORDUROY, by Don Freeman

BIG AL, by Andrew Clements, illustrated by Yoshi

BLUE BURT AND WIGGLES, by Derek Anderson

FIVE LITTLE MONKEYS JUMPING ON THE BED, by Eileen Christelow

GLADYS GOES OUT TO LUNCH, by Derek Anderson

GOODNIGHT MOON, by Margaret Wise Brown. Pictures by Clement Hurd

LITTLE QUACK, by Lauren Thompson, illustrated by Derek Anderson

THE STORY OF FERDINAND, by Munro Leaf, illustrated by Robert Lawson.

THERE'S SOMETHING IN MY ATTIC, by Mercer Mayer

Flash Cards

Directions: Cut out flash cards and have children practice signing the words. They might need to review the DVD vocabulary.

ALWAYS

LOOK AROUND

ARTIST

OVERALLS

COLORFUL

PUT IN DRYER

DAMPNESS

SHIRT

DARK

SNOW

DISCOVER

STEEP

DIZZY

SUMMER

DROWSY

TOMORROW

EXCITED

UNBUTTONED

LAUNDRY

WONDER

Complete the sentences

Directions: Complete the sentences. If the students need help challenge them by demonstrating the proper sign before showing them the written word. All words used are from the vocabulary/flashcard list.

1. Late one _____ afternoon Lisa and her mother took their laundry to the laundromat.
2. He began to _____.
3. Then he saw a huge stack of _____ clothes in a laundry bag.
4. "You can come back _____," she said.
5. The _____ didn't bother Corduroy in the least.
6. "How in thunder did that bear ever get mixed up with all my things?" the artist _____.
7. He unbuttoned Corduroy's shoulder straps and put his _____ in the dryer.
8. Corduroy grew _____ as he watched the clothes spinning around.
9. Maybe it's _____!" he said excitedly.
10. That very morning Lisa sewed a pocket on Corduroy's _____.

Word Scramble

Directions: Unscramble the words below. To help the students you might consider demonstrating the proper sign before showing the correctly spelled word.

1. waysla: _____

2. irtsh: _____

3. riatst: _____

4. pmadssen: _____

5. ook oraudn: _____

6. worsyd: _____

7. cixted: _____

8. ooorrtmw: _____

9. mmeusr: _____

10. onsw: _____

Word Cross

Directions: Find the words hidden in the grids below. The list of words hidden is listed to the left of each grid. The first grid is easier.

ALWAYS
 ARTIST
 DARK
 DISCOVER
 DIZZY
 LOOKAROUND
 PUTINDRYER
 STEEP
 TOMORROW
 WONDER

P	N	T	Z	D	Y	O	T	H	D
R	U	P	S	Z	A	O	B	N	I
E	P	T	Z	I	M	R	U	T	S
D	R	I	I	O	T	O	K	S	C
N	D	P	R	N	R	R	I	M	O
O	T	R	B	A	D	G	A	Z	V
W	O	X	K	B	F	R	M	H	E
W	E	O	F	R	L	X	Y	N	R
G	O	S	T	E	E	P	J	E	I
L	S	Y	A	W	L	A	Z	J	R

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 COLORFUL
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F	F	S	L	N	H	M	L	E	N	K	K	W	S	M
G	R	U	A	M	B	B	T	U	A	R	V	T	Y	G
D	A	M	P	N	E	S	S	T	A	D	J	X	A	I
D	R	M	C	X	E	K	S	D	A	E	V	N	W	K
D	I	E	Y	Z	Z	I	D	P	N	N	O	A	L	H
F	K	R	Y	P	T	J	R	T	C	O	V	H	A	A
D	N	U	O	R	A	K	O	O	L	T	E	P	Y	Z
C	I	S	A	X	D	M	E	U	F	T	R	E	I	G
Y	Y	S	W	T	O	N	F	X	W	U	A	E	D	U
F	R	P	C	R	R	R	I	O	K	B	L	T	F	N
W	Z	D	R	O	O	I	N	T	M	N	L	S	Z	Y
N	Q	O	N	L	V	D	H	G	U	U	S	N	O	W
M	W	K	O	U	E	E	W	S	K	P	P	O	E	K
Z	F	C	A	R	A	P	R	D	E	T	I	C	X	E
L	I	Q	F	M	N	L	D	R	O	W	S	Y	C	T

Draw by Numbers

