



## **Blue Burt and Wiggles**

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## Activity Guide

### BLUE BURT AND WIGGLES

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Age: All ages

Themes: Friendship, Teamwork, Change

Total playing time: Approximately 20 minutes

### SUMMARY

Before Blue Burt prepares to fly south with his feathered friends, he and his pal Wiggles (a worm) decide to fool mother nature into thinking that summer is not yet over.

### OBJECTIVES

- Students will make ASL - image - text connections.
- Students will learn the value of friendship and teamwork.
- Students will expand their ASL vocabulary by more than 20 new signs.

### BEFORE VIEWING DISCUSSION

- Ask the children if teamwork is important?
- Is it possible to make summer last forever?
- Can you be friends even if you don't see each other for a while?
- Can different kinds of animals be friends? A cat and a dog?
- Where do birds fly in the winter?

### 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.

- 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:

- Have you ever been part of a team?
- Do you have friends that you write to or call on the phone?
- Have you ever seen snow on the ground?
- Have you watched birds fly south for the winter?

Other:

- Complete all workbook activities

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## Flash Cards

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

**BOX**

**FRIENDS**

**COLOR**

**IDEA**

**FLOWERS**

**IMPOSSIBLE**

**FOREVER**

**LETTERS**

**FORGET**

**NEXT**

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**NOTICED**

**SOUTH**

**PACK**

**STRING**

**PAINT**

**SUMMER**

**PAPER**

**SUN**

**SOON**

**WHAT FOR**

## 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. Blue Burt and Wiggles were the best of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The leaves were falling, the grass was turning brown, and all the birds in the north woods were heading \_\_\_\_\_.
3. We can make it \_\_\_\_\_ again.
4. He suddenly got an \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Wiggles drew bright \_\_\_\_\_ on construction \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The birds were using their \_\_\_\_\_ to tie up \_\_\_\_\_ and suitcases before heading \_\_\_\_\_.
7. And even though they couldn't stop the woods from changing ... nothing could keep true \_\_\_\_\_ apart \_\_\_\_\_.

## 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. oxb: \_\_\_\_\_

2. rcloo: \_\_\_\_\_

3. xent: \_\_\_\_\_

4. capk: \_\_\_\_\_

5. repap: \_\_\_\_\_

6. tuohs: \_\_\_\_\_

7. memurs: \_\_\_\_\_

8. citedon: \_\_\_\_\_

9. eeofrvr: \_\_\_\_\_

10. iioempssbl: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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.

CLEVER  
CRY  
FORGET  
GILLS  
NONE  
SALTY  
SAND  
SWEET  
TEARS  
TRUST

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

BANANAS  
BREAKFAST  
CREAM  
DINNER  
ENOUGH  
ENTRANCE  
FANCY  
FAVORITE  
FLAVORS  
FRENCH  
GORILLA  
ICE  
LOAF  
LUNCH  
MISSING  
PIZZA  
SCENT  
SMELL  
TASTE  
TIRED  
ZOO

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

# Draw by Numbers

