



Too Many Toys

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Themes: Friendship, Memories, Caring for Others

Book Brief: A relatable story about Alice, who loves all of her stuffed animals and must decide what to do when her mom suggests donating some!

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, "Do you have a favorite toy or stuffed animal? What makes it special to you?"

While Reading: Make Connections

- What does Alice's mom want to do? Why does she think this is a good idea?
- How does Alice feel about her toys? What does she say about each one?
- What reasons does Alice give for keeping her toys? Which toy story is your favorite?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, "Why does Alice want to keep all her toys? What makes each toy special to her? How does the story end?"

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Make a "My Special Toys" book. Have your child choose 3-5 of their favorite toys and draw pictures of them. Help them write or tell a short story about why each toy is special, just like Alice shared the special memories and reasons she loved each of her toys.
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