

# Read Aloud Guide for Families



## The Chief of the Birds

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**Themes:** Cooperation, Working Together, Leadership

**Book Brief:** Who is the king of the skies? The birds of Calabar have a battle to find out!

## READ ALOUD

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### Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, “What do you think makes someone a good leader? What happens when people don’t agree on who should lead?”

### While Reading: Make Connections

- Who is the original leader of the animals, and what does he want to happen?
- Why do the animals struggle to choose a new leader?
- What happens during the leadership competition?
- How do the animals finally decide who should lead?

### After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, “What lesson did the animals learn about working together and choosing a leader? How does teamwork help the group become stronger?”

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

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### If your child enjoyed this book:

- Talk about “What Makes a Good Leader” Discuss the qualities of strong leaders, such as kindness, listening, fairness, and helping others. Ask your child to think about times they’ve been a leader at school, home, or in play, and connect it to how leadership is more about actions than how you look.
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