

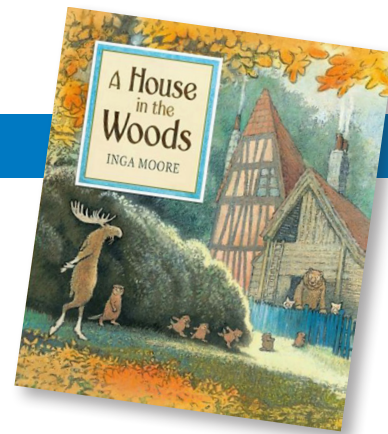
# A House in the Woods

## A RIF GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY COORDINATORS

**Themes:** Community, Habitats, Friendship

**Book Brief:** Two pigs go on a walk and come back to find that Bear and Moose have destroyed their houses! The four friends come up with a plan to build their own home with the help of a crew of beavers.

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## TIME TO READ!

**Before reading:** Discuss the animals you usually see in the woods. What kinds of homes do those animals build? What are the most common types of animal homes? Explain that this story is about animals who want to build a special home unlike any they have ever seen.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

### CONSTRUCTION ZONE (AGES 5-9)

Materials: play dough, small craft sticks

Let children use play dough and craft sticks to build houses. The play dough should act as a mortar to help hold the craft sticks together. As they build, have children think about the order in which the parts of the house need to be built.

### WELCOME SIGNS (AGES 5-12)

Materials: card stock, pencils, crayons, markers

There's no better way to show friends they're welcome in your home than a "Welcome" sign! What are some other ways to say welcome? How do you say welcome in other languages? Let children choose their favorite welcome word and design a welcome sign for their own home.

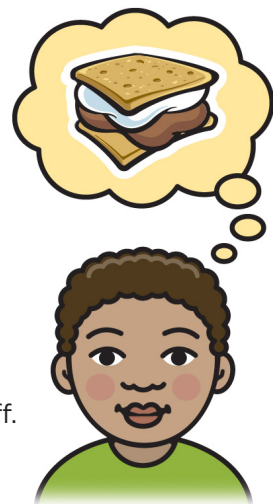


### BETTER (PEANUT) BUTTER (AGES 5-12)

*Here's a fun twist on the beavers' favorite peanut butter sandwich.*

Ingredients: graham crackers, peanut butter, marshmallow fluff or bananas

For each child, break a graham cracker in half. Spread peanut butter on one half and marshmallow fluff on the other. Put the halves together and enjoy! (For a more healthful option, substitute banana slices for fluff. For a nut allergy, substitute chocolate frosting for peanut butter.)



### TECHNOLOGY LINK

Experience building a bridge or demolishing a building at [www.buildinggamesonline.org](http://www.buildinggamesonline.org).

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

*Captain Cat* (2013)

*Six Dinner Sid* (1993)

*Six Dinner Sid: A Highland Adventure* (2010)



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