

# ReadRover

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE



When Mom or Dad asks what you did today, you can tell them ReadRover came to read and play!

SEPTEMBER 2011

## Books Your Child Heard This Month:

### **Big Little Monkey**

By: Carole Schaefer

When Little Monkey decides to venture out into the jungle alone, beyond the gaze of his watchful Mama, he discovers that other animals are not as friendly and warm as his own family and that independence is not altogether a good thing.



### **Way Up High in a Tall Green Tree**

By: Jan Peck

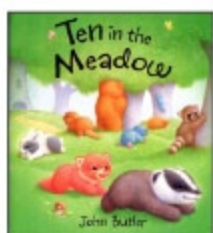
A girl climbs a tree in the rainforest while saying goodnight to all the creatures, but it is really her bunkbed as she settles down with all her stuffed animals.



### **Ten in the Meadow**

By: John Butler

As a group of forest animals plays a lively game of hide-and-seek in a meadow, Bear finds them each in turn – except the elusive Mousey.



### **Shark in the Park**

By: Nick Sharratt

Through his telescope, a little boy keeps seeing what seems to be a shark in the park, but by turning the page the reader can see and identify the whole object.



### **From Head to Toe**

By: Eric Carle

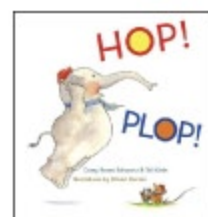
Encourages the reader to exercise by following the movements of various animals; presented in a question and answer format.



### **Hop! Plop!**

By: Corey Rosen Schwartz

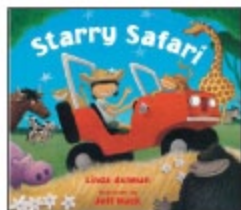
When Mouse and Elephant go to the playground together, it seems as if everything they try to play on together is broken, until they finally find the piece of equipment that is just right for them



### **Starry Safari**

By: Linda Ashman

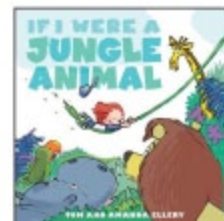
Bedtime becomes a jungle safari until the Big Safari Ranger brings it to a halt.



### **If I Were a Jungle Animal**

By: Tom and Amanda Ellery

While playing baseball, a boy wonders what it would be like to be different jungle animals.



ReadRover and ReadRover+ are mobile library services of the Baltimore County Public Library and part of the Baltimore County "Focus on the First Years" initiative, helping our children start school ready to learn.

## Read Together

Having fun with language helps your child learn to be a happy and confident reader. Sing songs, read rhyming books and say silly tongue twisters. These help kids become sensitive to the sounds in words.

*Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers;  
a peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked.  
If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,  
where's the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?*

\*\*\*

*A sailor went to sea, sea, sea,  
to see what he could see, see, see.  
But all that he could see, see, see,  
was the bottom of the deep blue sea, sea, sea.*



## Song

### **I'm a Little Monkey** (tune: *I'm A Little Teapot*)

I'm a little monkey in the tree  
swinging by my tail so merrily.  
I can leap and fly from tree to tree.  
I have lots of fun you see.

I'm a little monkey watch me play,  
munching on bananas every day.  
Lots of monkey friends to play with me,  
we have fun up in the tree.



(Clipart: <http://tc.howstuffworks.com/family/how-to-draw-a-monkey>)

## Supplementary Activity

### Ice Cream Cone Bird Feeder

Here's a fun activity to do when the animals are busy outside preparing for the coming winter or any time children seem especially interested in furry friends!

Help your child make a yummy snack for the animals outside. Then, watch for and identify the animals when you see them.

#### Materials:

- Ice cream cones
- Peanut butter
- Cheerios
- Bird seed
- Pipe cleaner
- Plate

#### Directions:

1. Pour Cheerios and bird seed onto a plate.
2. Spread peanut butter onto the cone with a spoon or spatula.
3. Roll the cone into the Cheerios and bird seed.
4. Tie a knot in one end of the pipe cleaner, and push it through the small end of the cone.
5. Hang it on a tree and watch for the animals to come have a snack!



#### Variations to this project:

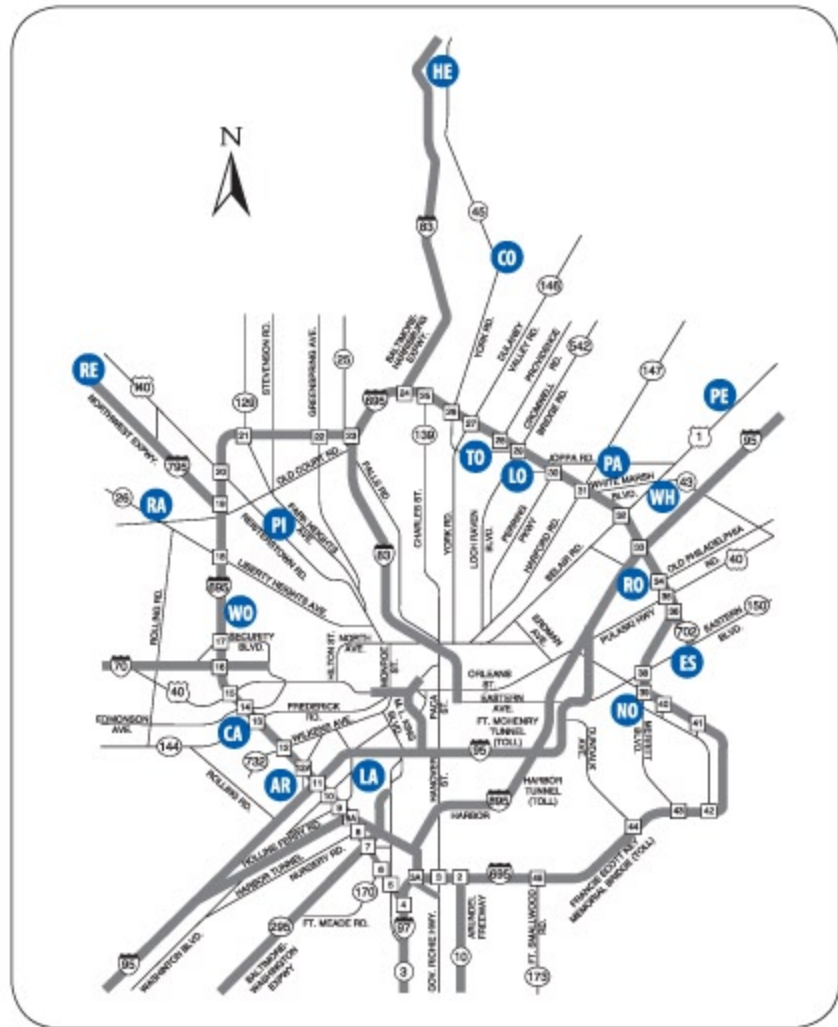
- *Instead of an ice cream cone, you could use a toilet paper or paper towel roll.*
- *Instead of a pipe cleaner, you could use string or ribbon.*
- *Instead of peanut butter, you could use honey.*
- *Instead of a plate, you could use a paper towel.*

# THERE IS A BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY NEAR YOU!

*Walk-in or Log-on*

Stop by any of our 17 branches conveniently located throughout the county.

Or, visit us on the Web at [www.bcpl.info](http://www.bcpl.info).



ARBUS BRANCH ..... 410-887-1451  
855 Sulphur Spring Rd. 21227

CATONSVILLE BRANCH ..... 410-887-0951  
1100 Frederick Rd. 21228

COCKEYSVILLE BRANCH ..... 410-887-7750  
9833 Greenside Dr. 21030

ESSEX BRANCH ..... 410-887-0295  
1110 Eastern Blvd. 21221

HEREFORD BRANCH ..... 410-887-1919  
16940 York Rd. 21111

LANSDOWNE BRANCH ..... 410-887-5602  
500 Third Ave. 21227

LOCH RAVEN BRANCH ..... 410-887-4444  
1046 Taylor Ave. 21286

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICES ..... 410-887-7586  
1716 Merritt Blvd. 21222

NORTH POINT BRANCH ..... 410-887-7255  
1716 Merritt Blvd. 21222

PARKVILLE BRANCH ..... 410-887-5353  
9509 Harford Rd. 21234

PERRY HALL BRANCH ..... 410-887-5195  
9685 Honeygo Blvd. 21128

PIKESVILLE BRANCH ..... 410-887-1234  
1301 Reisterstown Rd. 21208

RANDALLSTOWN BRANCH ..... 410-887-0770  
8604 Liberty Rd. 21133

REISTERSTOWN BRANCH ..... 410-887-1165  
21 Cockeys Mill Rd. 21136

ROSEDALE BRANCH ..... 410-887-0512  
6105 Kenwood Ave. 21237

TOWSON BRANCH ..... 410-887-6166  
320 York Rd. 21204

WHITE MARSH BRANCH ..... 410-887-5097  
8133 Sandpiper Cir. 21236

WOODLAWN BRANCH ..... 410-887-1336  
1811 Woodlawn Dr. 21207

