



GRUMPY MONKEY

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A funny story about a monkey called Jim Panzee. He's in a bad mood and nothing feels right! Nothing will do, and Jim just doesn't know why.

His friends can't understand it and they have lots of suggestions for how to make him feel better. But Jim can't take all the advice... and has a bit of a meltdown. This book is the perfect reminder that 'grumpy monkey' days never last long.



Storytelling



Sharing stories is a great way to help expand your child's language. One of the easiest ways to

start encouraging your child to retell and share stories is by asking them what just happened after you've read a page.

You can also ask them questions beyond the story. For example, you can ask how they would feel if something that happened in the story happened to them. The more your child practices, the more they will remember and retell.



Matching game



Take a number of safe household items and cut them in half or segments. You could use fruits and vegetables of different colours and shapes, like apples, oranges, bananas, mushrooms and carrots, or other foods like slices of bread, or even things like sponges.

Lay them out on the floor or a table in a mixed up order and ask your child to choose an item. Can they name the item? Then can they find the one that's the same?

This game is great for problem solving skills and hand eye coordination.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/articles/zkkw2fr>

Five Little Monkeys



Five little monkeys swinging from a tree teasing Mr Crocodile, 'You can't catch me!' Along came Mr Crocodile as quietly as can be, and snap went the crocodile.

Then there were four little monkeys swinging from a tree teasing Mr Crocodile.....



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