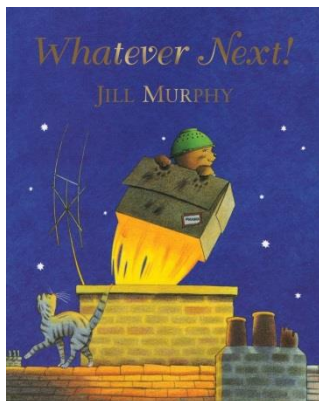


Learning at home - Whatever Next! By Jill Murphy



Go to the library together and borrow Whatever Next! By Jill Murphy

Read aloud

Read the book aloud allowing time for children to enjoy looking at the beautiful illustrations.

Join in

Read the book again allowing children to join in with words they might remember such as WHOOSH! BUMP! Or 'Whatever next!'

Tell the story

Encourage children to tell the story in their own words using the illustrations to help them. You might find they include some phrases from the story.

Talk about the story

Share your favourite pages and talk about why you like them. Encourage children to ask any questions they might have about the story. You could ask some questions as well, for example do children think Baby Bear really went to the moon?

Story play

With your help children can imagine they are Baby Bear on his journey to the moon. Find a big cardboard box or plastic storage container for the rocket and gather 'space boots' and a helmet, a favourite toy and supplies for the journey. Encourage children to tell you afterwards what they saw on their journey.

Have a moon picnic

Have a picnic like Baby Bear on the moon. Make a list together of what food you might need for your picnic. Children can find some toys to join in.

Make a picture

Give children a large piece of paper and paints or crayons to draw or paint a picture of their journey to the moon, they might like to try to write some of the words they remember.