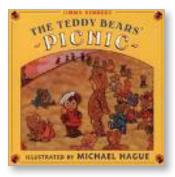


Teddy bear's picnic

Let's play and talk together

- Invite your child to plan a special picnic for teddy bears and favourite stuffed toys.
- Help your child make an invitation card for each of the teddy bears and other stuffed toys that might come to the picnic, and give them out to the toys.
- Decide on what kind of food will be needed for the people and the animals. Make a list of what you need and take it when you go shopping.
- Help your child prepare some real food for the people, and some pretend food for the bears and stuffed toys.
- Pack a picnic basket for the people and a bucket of imaginary snacks for the animals.

A good read-together book



The Teddy Bears' Picnic by Jimmy Kennedy

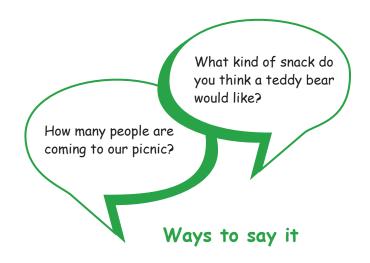
You will need a picnic basket or carrying bag, some stuffed animals and picnic snacks.

This activity is good for planning, counting, writing, pretending and making food.



Hints for success

- Help your child count how many people and animals will be coming to the picnic. Count the same number of plates, spoons and napkins.
- Help your child prepare some easy-to-make, tasty snacks to take on the picnic.







More ideas for Teddy bear's picnic

Try this way

- Make two shopping lists—one list of food for bears (pretend) and one for people.
- Look at the book Fast Food. Create some "picnic creatures" from fruits and vegetables. Name your creatures. Be creative!
- Pretend you are bears on the way to a picnic.
 Make the rhythm match the pace of the bears lumbering along.



Five Little Bears

Research

Find out what bears really like to eat. Look in **Owl** magazine, on the Internet or in the library.

Book link

Fast Food by Saxton Freymann

Five little bears Were dancing on the floor, One fell down And that left four. Four little bears Climbed up a tree, One found a bee hive And that left three. Three little bears Were wondering what to do, One chased a **Bunny** rabbit And that left two. Two little bears Were looking for some fun, One took a swim And that left one One little bear Sitting all alone, He looked all around And then ran home!

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