

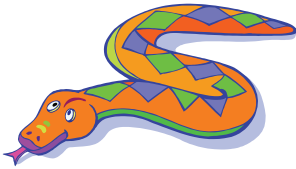
# Let's Talk About **That's Good That's Bad**

**That's Good That's Bad** is filled with zoo animals. All of the zoo animals in the story are first pictured on the double page spread at the beginning of the book. Can your child find the animal characters you have read about on those first pages of the book?

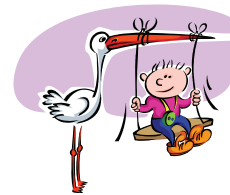


What sounds do zoo animals make?

This story has a pattern. "That's good. No, that's bad" repeats in reverse order each time the boy in the story faces a new adventure. Help your child notice this word pattern by guessing whether the little boy's adventure will be good or bad each time.



Pictures give clues about which animal character the little boy is going to meet on the next page. Can your child find the clues?



## Let's Play With Rhymes

### Five Little Monkeys

5 little monkeys swinging from a tree *(Swing 5 fingers on right hand.)*

Teasing Mr. Crocodile, "Can't catch me!" *(Wave fingers at the left hand)*

Along came Mr. Crocodile, slowly as could be,  
*(Make mouth with fingers and thumb of left hand.)*

Snap! *(Bite off right hand finger with Mr. Crocodile's mouth)*

4 little monkeys.....

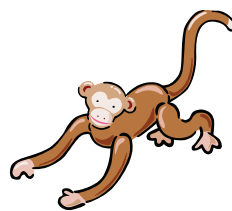
3 little monkeys...

2 little monkeys...

1 little monkey...

No little monkeys swinging from a tree,

I'd better watch out or he might catch me! *(Point to self)*



### We're Visiting the Zoo

*(Sung to Farmer in the Dell)*

We're visiting the zoo.

We're visiting the zoo.

Lions, tigers, camels & bears.

We're visiting the zoo.

Liz Wilmes

Change the animals each time you sing. Use the pictures in **That's Good That's Bad** to help decide which zoo animals to sing about.

## Note to Parents & Caregivers

Prediction (making good guesses about which word or idea will come next in the story) helps children learn to read. Pictures in books and repeated words in stories help children predict well. Memorizing and guessing words in a story is an important stage of reading development.

Pictures in books give children clues to the words they see in stories.

## Let's Create

### Animal Masks

Make an animal mask with a paper plate or the back of an empty cereal box (cut into a large face shape). Use scissors to cut eye holes (cut a hole for the mouth if you wish). Use markers, paint, fabric, buttons, construction paper, sandpaper, etc. to create facial features. A wide variety of materials with different textures and colors will encourage creativity. Attach a popsicle stick to the bottom of the mask for a handle.



Make different animal masks. Your child may want to use them while singing "We're Visiting the Zoo", listening to **That's Good That's Bad** or telling an animal story that he or she has made up.

## Let's Be Together

This is a silly story so you can practice silly words with your child to match each picture:

Yikes, uh-oh, oh-no, wow, ah-ha, yippee, whoo-hoo!



Take a trip with your child through your house or yard and ask him what he thinks is "Bad" and "Good".



Spilling juice is bad, uh-oh.

No, just help clean it up, that is good.

The dog is barking, bad dog. No, he just wants to play, good dog.

Children who feel positive about things they experience will feel more positive about themselves too.



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