

City Dog, Country Frog

Third Reading: Analysis

During this reading your child and you will read the story all the way through. Here are three ways that you can add fun and improve recall during this reading:

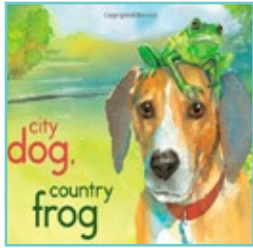
- You may switch roles and become the listener as your child “reads” (retells) the story. Help your child use the illustrations to know when to turn the page.
- Your child and you may alternate the pages you read to each other. A benefit is that you continue to model strong reading skills for your child to copy.
- You may dramatize the reading. You can be the narrator, and your child can be the animal characters. Use different voices for the characters. Make sure to pay attention to the *italics*.

DISCUSSION OPTIONS:

- What is this story about? (Possibilities: friendship, the seasons) Rarely is there only one correct answer to this question. What’s important is the reasoning that your listener shares with you to explain the choice.
- How do birds, animals, amphibians, or reptiles that live in your area get ready for winter?
- Do you think Country Frog will come back? If he does come back, will City Dog and Country Chipmunk still be friends?
- What games can City Dog and Country Chipmunk teach each other?

ACTIVITY OPTIONS:

- Using the primary writing paper (Check out the Book Store.), write and illustrate a story of the friendship between City Dog and Country Chipmunk. Include different activities for the seasons and the games that they might teach each other. You can scribe as your child dictates the story. Both of you can create the illustrations.
- Here is a sample of a Graphic Organizer that would organize the information about the seasons. There is a short Practickle blog entry on the importance of graphic organizers in helping the brain hold onto information.



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Seasons	Changes In Nature
Spring	
Summer	
Fall	
Winter	