# My Cats Nick & Nora by, Isabelle Harper & Barry Moser

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## Sample Lesson Plan

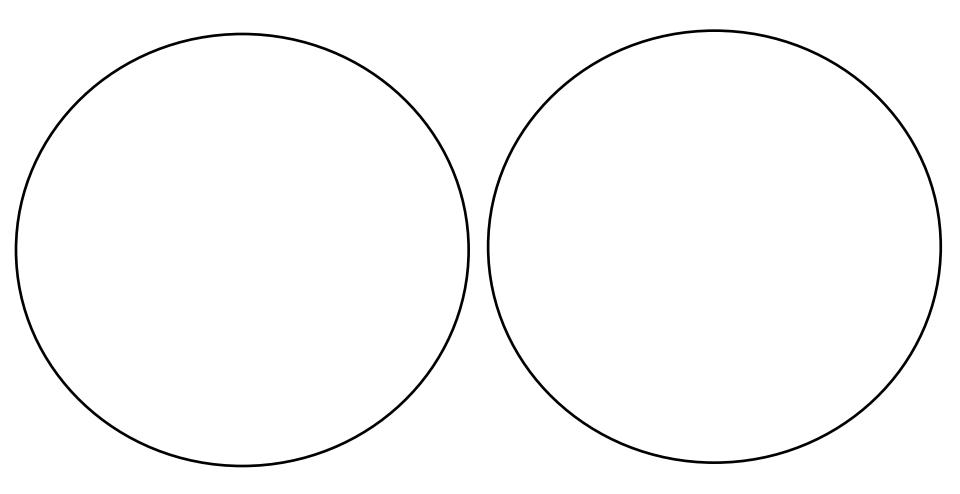
Please remember all kids are different and during this fun early childhood stage it is still about having fun while learning. This is just a sample idea, please adjust to fit your child, and your family.

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
read book	read book	read book	read book	read book
LITERACY Color Word Work 3 Part Cards	SCIENCE Sorting Cats	LITERACY Find the Sight Words	CREATIVE craft/art {child's choice}	repeat comprehension/ story sequencing
LITERACY N is for Nick & Nora	LITERACY story sequencing	LITERACY rhyming fun	LITERACY comprehension questions	additional craft/art
MATH Color By Number Cat	MATH favorite pet graph	MATH count & graph	MATH Coin Sorting	repeat favorites
CHARACTER Fluffy Fights	KITCHEN {parent choice}	BIBLE Bible verse	WRITING Invited to my party	

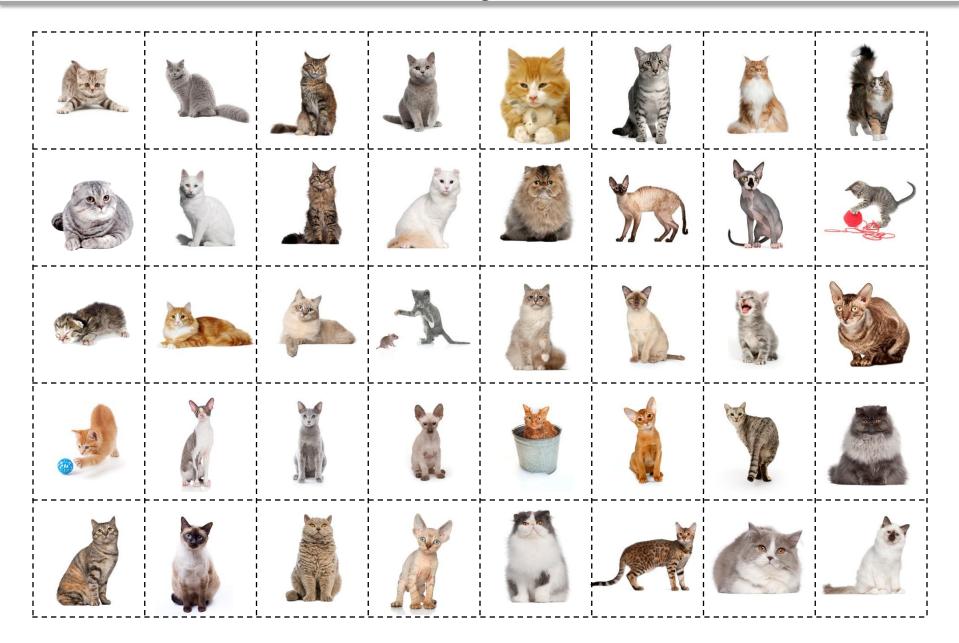
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#### Sorting Cats

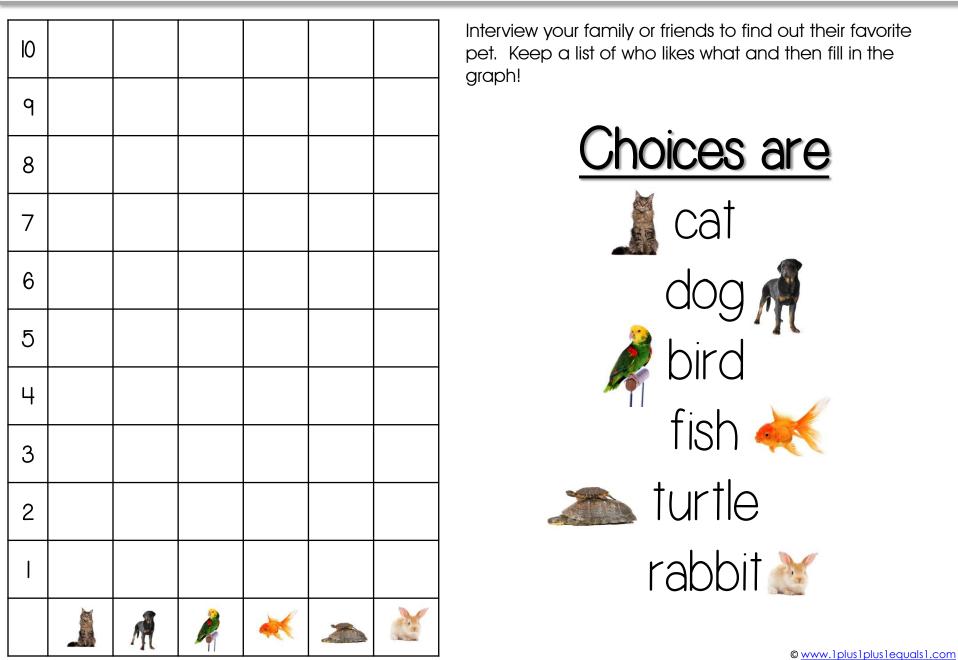
The cats on the following page can be sorted in several different ways. Help your child think of different ways and use these sorting circles, or create your own. A few ideas ~ kittens/adults, colors, sitting/standing, long hair/short hair, favorites/not favorites. Discuss different features of cats, and read some nonfiction books about cats to learn more.



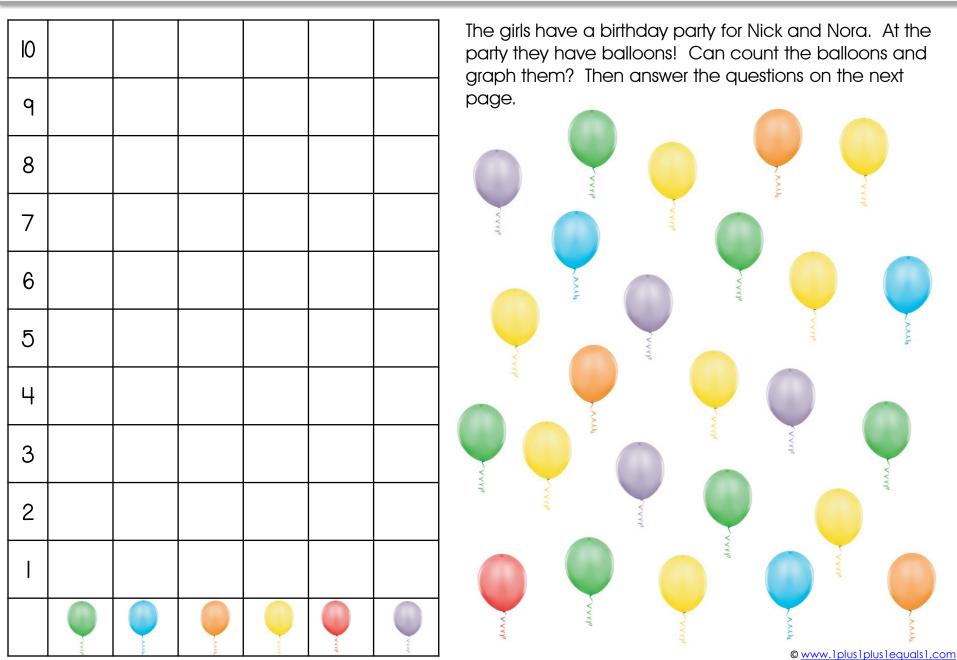
#### Sorting Cats



#### What's Your Favorite Pet?



#### Count & Graph the Balloon Colors



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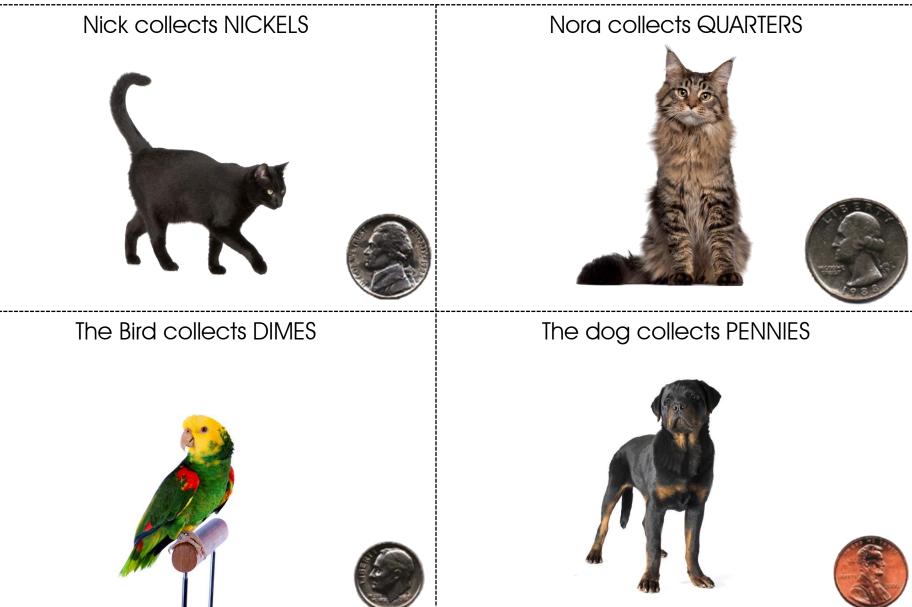
Count from the graph and write in the correct number.

- vvv	There was	red balloon.	
Avve -	There were	blue balloons.	
	There were	yellow balloons.	
and a local second	There were	green balloons.	
- vop	There were	purple balloons.	
- Alb	There were	orange balloons.	

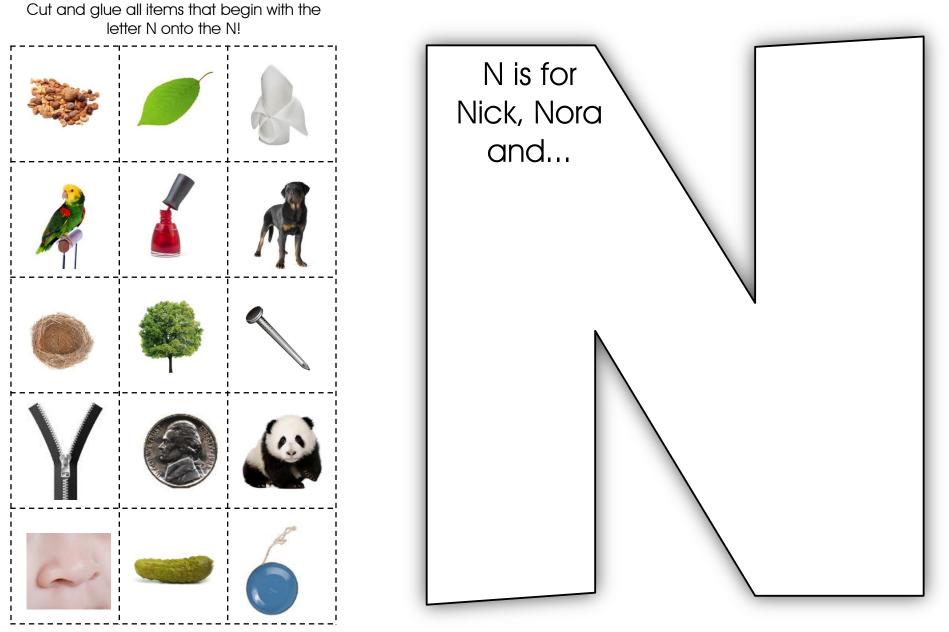
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#### Sort the Coins

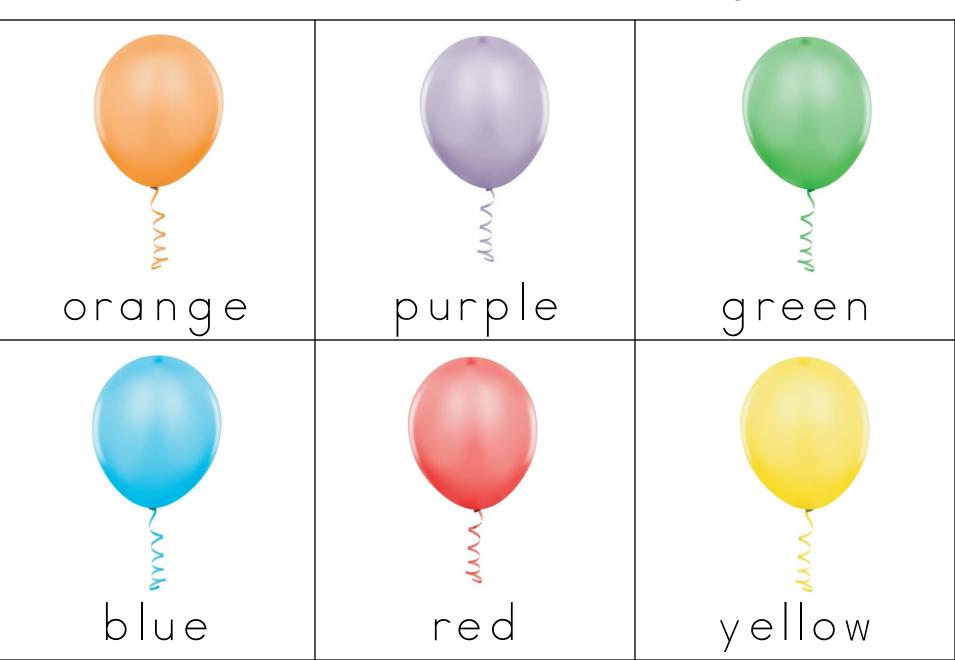
Use real coins to let your child sort the coins Nick, Nora and their friends the dog and the bird collect!



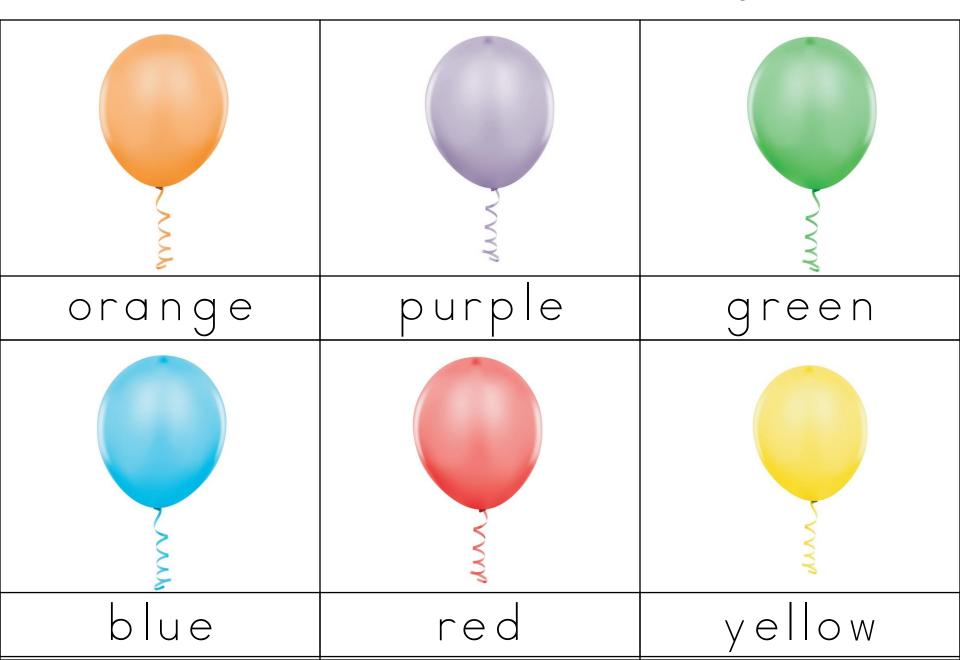
#### Phonics Connection $\sim$ Letter N



#### Color Words ~ 3 part matching



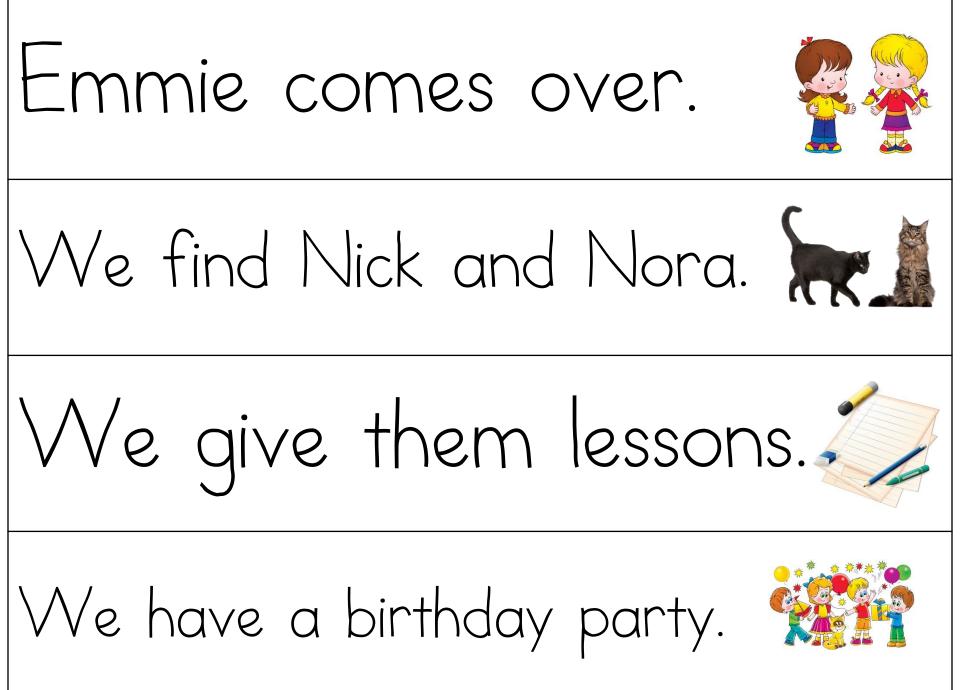
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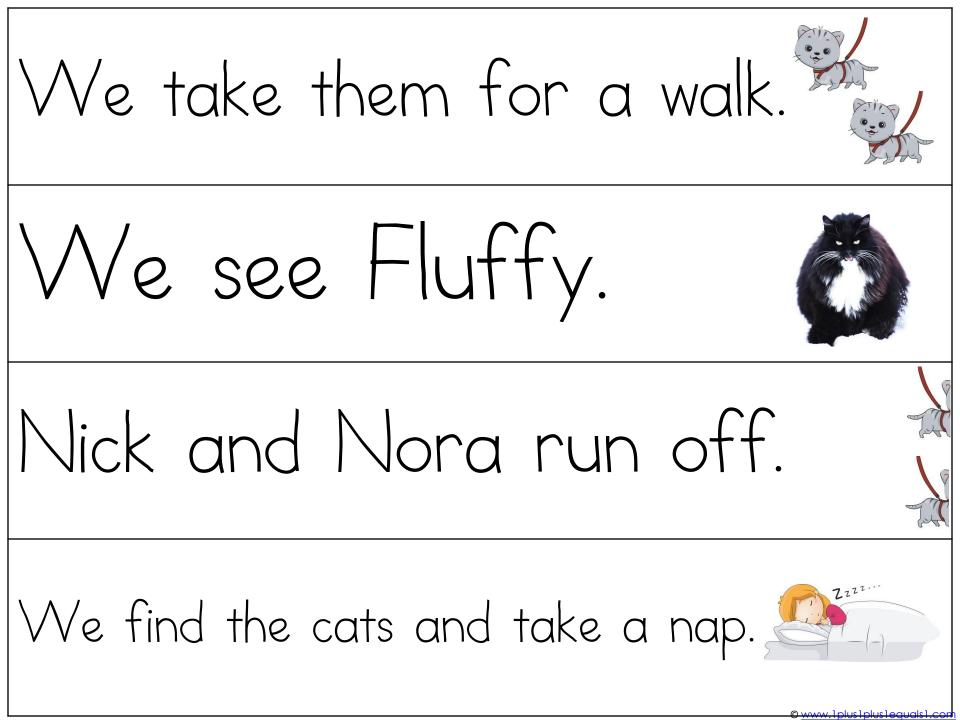
#### Literacy Connection ~ Sequencing

Pocket Chart printables can be used in a pocket chart or just simply laid on the floor or table. Print pages on cardstock, laminate and then cut apart into strips. Use the book along with the strips to put the story back in order!

Story sequencing is an important skill in the early years and greatly helps with comprehension. Use these to work on putting the story back in order and also to work on reading with expression!



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#### Comprehension Connection

Use the following questions as you read, or after to improve comprehension. Make up your own questions too! Cut them out and make a game out of it. Put the cards in a bag or basket and have your child choose one to answer! If s/he is confused, turn to find the answer in the book, showing how to reread for better understanding!

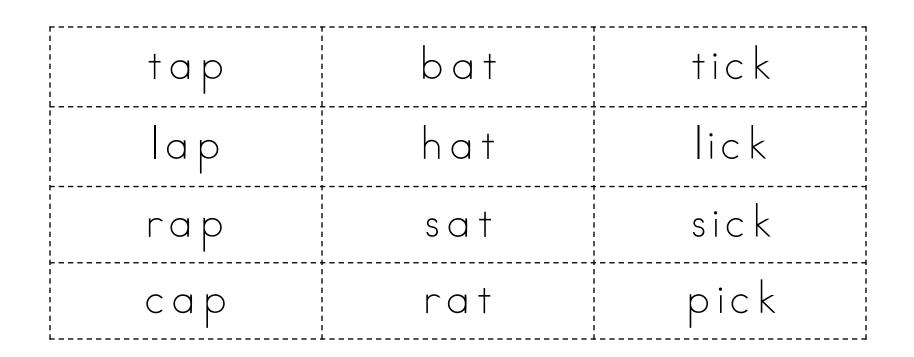
How are the girls related?	How many animals did the girls invite to the birthday party?	What does Fluffy like to do?
What did the girls use to bring Nick and Nora home in the end?	How do you think the cats feel about being in the stroller?	What did the girls and the cats do at the end of the story?

### Rhyming Fun

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#### Rhyming Fun

#### Cut out the words and sort them on the previous sheet



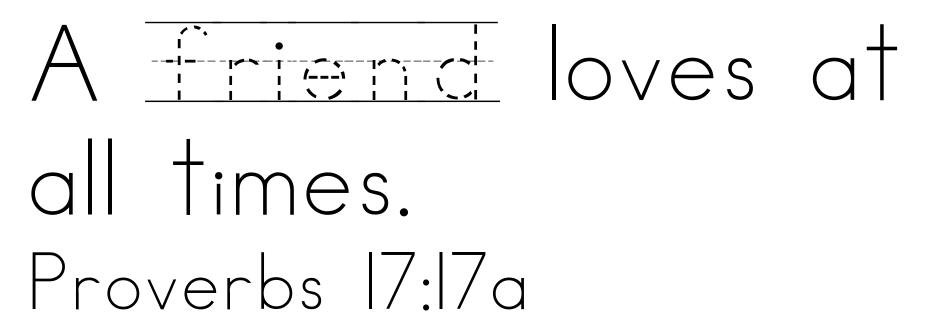
#### Character Connection ~ Fluffy Fights

In the story we meet Fluffy, a cat who likes to fight. Use this as an opportunity to discuss friendship with your child.

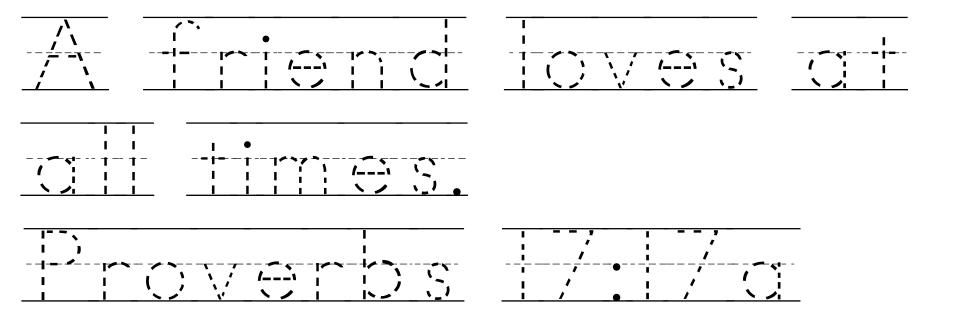
Why wasn't Fluffy invited to the party? Would you like Fluffy to come to your house? What could Fluffy do to be a better kitty friend? Are you ever like Fluffy?

Has anyone ever treated you badly like Fluffy treated his friends?

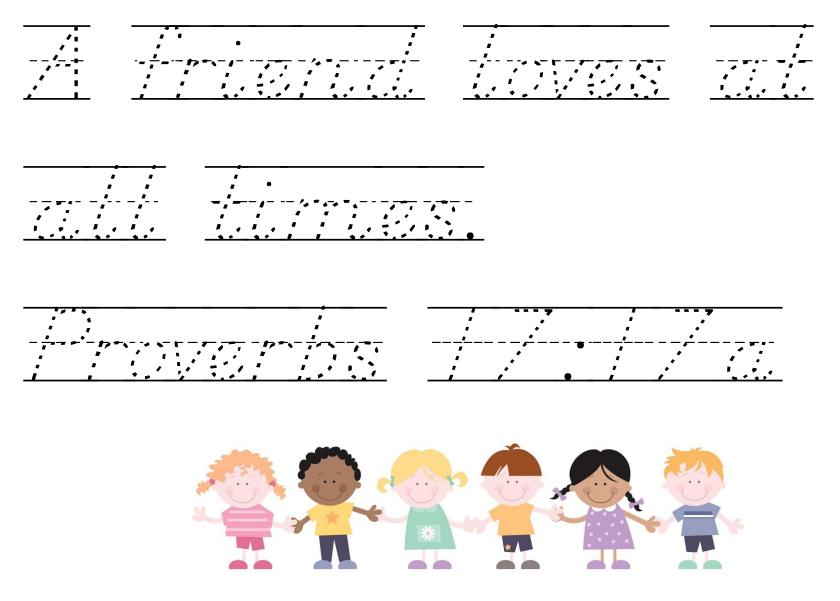




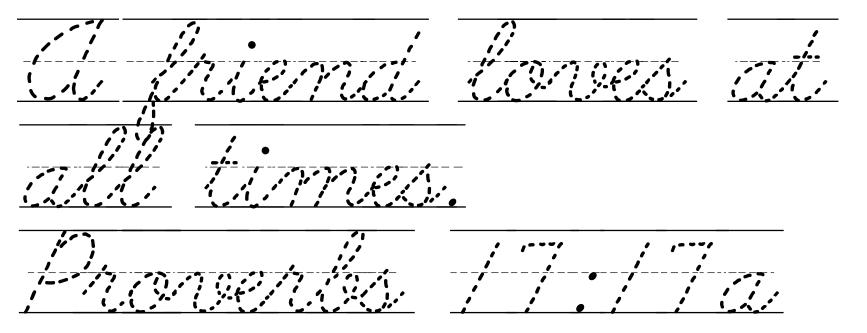








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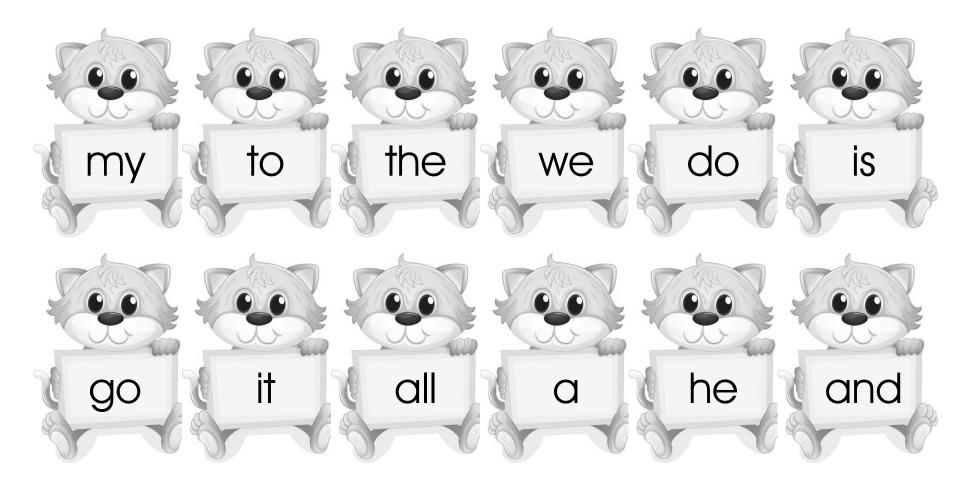


Fill in the blanks by choosing an animal or girl from the story!

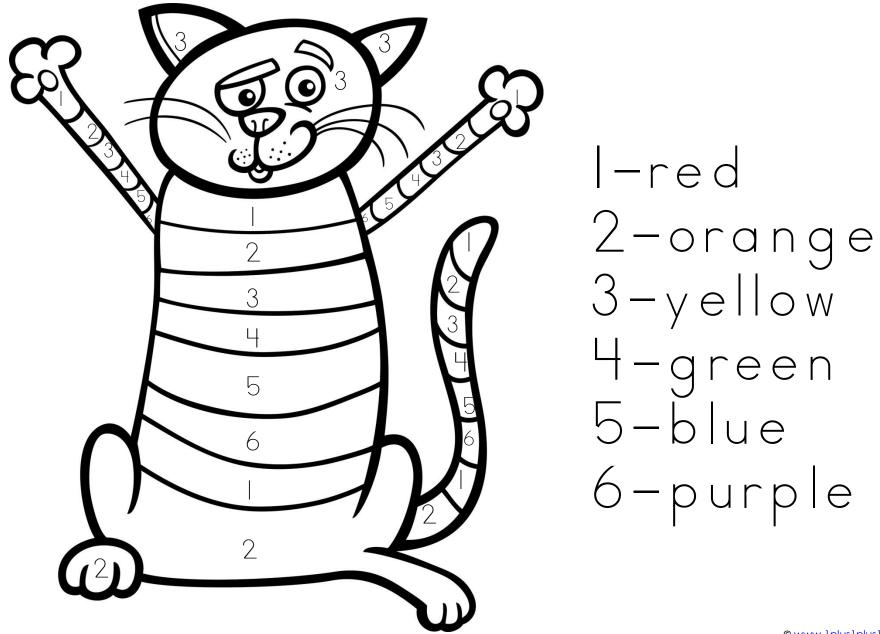
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to com	e to my	birthday
party k	ecause	
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#### Find the Sight Word!

All of these sight words are in the book. Cut out the sight word cats and use the ones your child is working on. Help your child find the words in the story and read the sentences together.



Color By Number Cat



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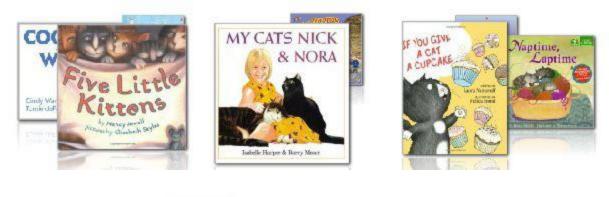


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#### Set the Stage $\sim$ Toys and Additional Cat Books

Set the stage by creating a fun "invitation to learn" area for your unit. A simple shelf, basket, or bin will work. Gather any toys or books you have to prepare. Borrow items from a friend or the library. Think of any games or stuffed animals you may have to bring the story to life. Be sure to have the focus book and other books that stem from the focus book to inspire more reading. Below are some suggestions.

Click to see fun toys and books to go along with this unit!





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