



“Roger Is Reading A Book” By Koen Van Biesen

All Roger wants is some peace and quiet so he can read his book. Unfortunately, the girl in the apartment next door has hobbies of her own -- very loud hobbies! But when Roger gives the girl a book of her own, she discovers that reading can be just as much fun as playing basketball or banging a drum. This playful and engaging read-aloud from an award-winning Belgian author shows readers that shared activities can lead to rewarding friendships. *Goodreads*

Let’s Talk

Discuss what the “gutter” of a book means. Ask children to explain what the gutter is in this book. See if children have ever been asked to quiet down and if they did? What were they doing that was too noisy? Is there ever a place where being noisy is okay? Can you think of a place or time where it is not okay to be noisy?

Let’s Move

Like charades, have one child act out something noisy, such as playing the drums. The rest of audience gives clues to a blindfolded child and they have to guess the action.

Do a type of readers theater where 2 children pretend to be Roger and Emily and act out a page from the book.

Let’s Create

Draw a picture of your favorite place to read.

With pipe cleaners or other wire make a collar and leash to walk your imaginary dog.

Pair with:

“The Dump Man’s Treasure” by Lynn Plourde

“How to Read a Book” by Melissa Sweet

