

Pete the Cat

STORYTIME THOUGHTS

Fan favorite Pete the Cat is a great way to get your child excited about reading. It's totally groovy. Use your child's love of Pete to springboard into books about other cats, be them big or small. Have them recount to you what happens to Pete in their favorite Pete book, and review some cat facts about some cats in the real world.

Reading about your child's favorite cool cat and talking about the story will help develop your child's narrative skills, and help them read more easily in the future!

EBOOKS & AUDIOBOOKS

Hoopla

- ☐ Pete the Cat: Rocking in my School Shoes by Eric Litwin
- ☐ Pete the Cat: Five Little Ducks by James Dean
- ☐ Blue Cat by Charlie Eve Ryan

- ☐ Learn about Animals: Cat by Cecilia Minden
- ☐ Big Cat, Little Kitty by Scotti Cohn
- Discover Big Cats by Katrina Streza

SONGS & RHYMES

- ☐ Ten Little Kittens
- ☐ Soft Kitty
- □ Cat Party

ACTIVITIES & GAMES

- ☐ Where Are We Going?
- ☐ Kids Yoga & Mindfulness for kids!
- □ Make Cat Oatmeal!

SONGS & RHYMES LYRICS

Ten Little Kittens

Ten little kittens standing in a row [Palms facing forward, fingers extended]

They bow their heads to the children so [Bend fingers forward and back]

They run to the left, they run to the right [move fingers to alternate sides, wiggling fingers]

They stretch up tall with all their might [stretch hands overhead]

Along comes a dog, looking for some fun [fingers of one hand resting on thumb, move hand towards other hand]

"Meow!" Away those kittens run!
[As you meow, open both hands with fingers extended, "run" hands behind back]

SONGS & RHYMES LYRICS CONT.

Soft Kitty

[Make one hand into a fist, just like a little cat curled up to sleep. Take the other hand and pet our "cat" very, very softly, just like they should pet a cat in real life!]

Soft kitty, warm kitty Little ball of fur. Happy kitty, sleepy kitty Purr, purr, purr.

Walking Walking

Walking, walking (repeat)
hop, hop, hop (repeat)
Running, running, running (repeat)
Now we stop.

More Variations for Verse: Tip toe, Marching

SAMPLE STORYTIME

This is a sample of how you could organize the books, songs, & rhymes, but please do what feels right for you and your little one!

Starting Song: Hello Friends

Rhyme/Song: Walking Walking

Book One: Pete the Cat: Rocking in my School Shoes by Eric Litwin

Rhyme/Song: 10 Little Kittens

Book Two: Blue Cat by Charlie Eve Ryan

Rhyme/Song: Soft Kitty

Book Three: Learn about Animals: Cat by Cecilia Minden

Final Song: Cat Party

After Storytime Activity/Game: Make a paper bag cat OR Where Are We Going? [Just like Pete, you must guess the room we are thinking of. One person gives clues as to the place that Pete is going. Is Pete worried? Goodness, no! Just make your guess. If you get it wrong, get more clues. Count how many clues it takes to make a correct guess, and then switch the person being the clue giver and who is Pete. The person with the least amount of clues wins!]