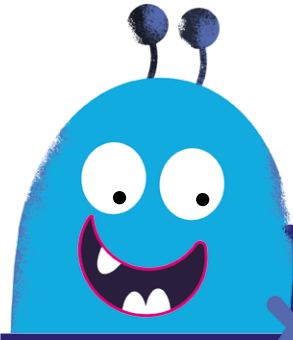


NED AND THE GREAT GARDEN HAMSTER RACE

by Kim Hillyard



A lovely book which reminds children about the importance of kindness.

Talk to your child about the times when they have been kind to others.



Watch Kim Hillyard, the author and illustrator read the story
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Let's pretend!

Pretend play is great for developing your child's imagination. You could play shops, doctors, train drivers.....



Let them lead and chat as you play together. Give them time to respond as this encourages them to talk in sentences.



Races

Can you have a race like Ned the hamster?

You can clear a space indoors and have a race, or go outdoors and run around the garden or park. Why not get all the family involved?



Don't forget to say **"3,2,1, Go!"** at the start of each race and praise your child at the end.



Hickory Dickory Dock

Hickory Dickory Dock.
The mouse ran up the clock.
The clock struck one, the mouse ran down.
Hickory Dickory Dock, tick tock, tick tock.

Repeat with other verses:

The clock struck two, the mouse went "boo!"
The clock struck three, the mouse went "weeee!"
The clock struck four, the mouse went "no more!"

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Don't forget to do the actions!