

Animal Families Storytime Home Activities:

Books:

- Bedtime in the Jungle* by John Butler
- Happy* by Emma Dodd
- Kiss Kiss* by Margaret Wild
- Leap Back Home to Me* by Lauren Thompson
- Little Elliot, Big Family* by Mike Curato
- Over in the Meadow* by Ezra Jack Keats
- Owl Babies* by Martin Waddell
- Rock On, Mom and Dad* by James Dean
- Stellaluna* by Jane Cannon
- Wee Little Bunny* by Lauren Thompson
- Who Loves This Little Lamb?* By Lezlie Evans

Activities:



-ELEPHANT HANDPRINTS: supplies needed are paper, gray paint, and a marker. Both parents and kids can make a handprint! Paint hands with gray paint and stamp onto a piece of paper. Paint on gray tails. Let the paint dry before drawing on ears, eyes, and leg and trunk features. Get creative and paint grass and a sun, or paint a watering hole for your elephants! (idea from etsy.com)

-ANIMAL MOVEMENTS: Can you slither like a *snake*; jump up and down like a *monkey*; chomp like a *crocodile*; stand on one leg like a *flamingo*; flap your wings like an *eagle*; crouch and pounce like a *tiger*; stomp like an *elephant*; waddle like a *penguin*; stretch up high like a *giraffe*; walk like a *bear* on all fours; do push-ups like an *alligator*; and roar like a *lion*?

-PANDA FAMILY: supplies needed are empty toilet paper and paper towel rolls, white and black paper (optional brown and green for bamboo), scissors, glue, and a black marker. Cover the empty rolls in white paper. Using white paper, cut out head shapes and then draw on ears, eyes, noses, and mouths. Cut out arms and legs from the black paper. Optional, make bamboo shoots out of brown and green paper. Glue on the heads first, then glue on the bamboo shoots. Lastly glue on arms and legs so that they are holding the bamboo. (idea from nontoygifts.com)



Online:

- Storyline Online presents *The Tale of Peter Rabbit*: <https://www.storylineonline.net/books/peter-rabbit/>
- Help build a house for a beaver family: <https://pbskids.org/catinthehat/games/welcome-to-beaver-city>
- Sing along to *Old MacDonald* with Pete the Cat: <http://www.petethecatbooks.com/songs/?videoid=561>
- Watch baby llamas at the ZSL London Zoo: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f95cHmw_6Sk
- Dolly Parton reads *Llama Llama Red Pajama*: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sqgEG6mMuqw>