



March – Book of the Month

“Where is the Green Sheep?” by Mem Fox

For Ages: 0-6 years

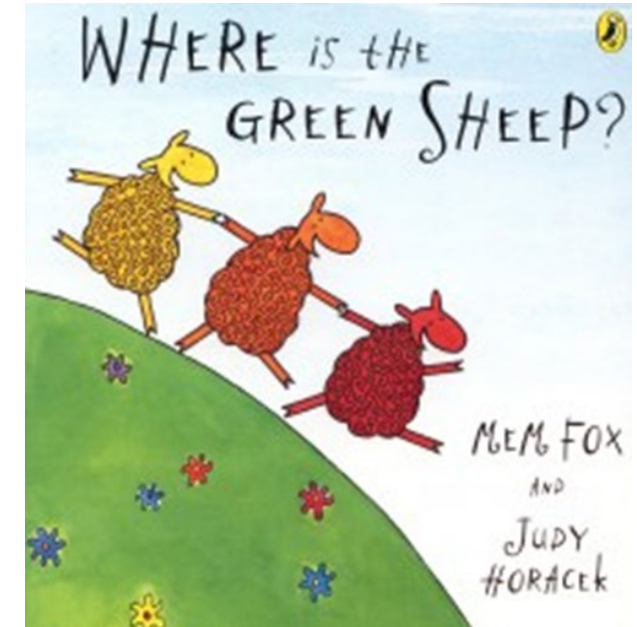
Great because:

- There is also a board book version for babies.
- Babies love the patterns and pictures in this book.
- Repetition helps children join in “But where is the green sheep?”
- Rhyming books are good for early literacy.
- Good for exposing children to ‘where’ questions - this is one of the earliest questions kids can ask and answer.

Things to talk about as you read:

- What are all the different sheep are doing?
- Discuss new ideas such as near, far, up, down and colours.
- Talk about feelings like scared and brave.
- You can sing nursery rhymes such as ‘baa baa black sheep’ and ‘Mary had a little lamb’ with this story.

Can’t find this book? Choose a book about different colours from the library.



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March – Activity of the Month

Sheep Hand Print Craft

For Ages: 2+ years (with help)

You'll need: pencil, paper (any colour), glue, cotton wool, googly eye (optional).

- Trace around your child's hand on any colour paper.
- Your child cuts around the hand outline (with your help).
- The thumb is the head of the sheep.
- The 4 fingers are the legs of the sheep.
- Get your child to glue and place cotton wool over the sheep's body.
- Draw a face on your sheep.

Your child will practice cutting, drawing, pasting, and using two hands together. This helps to build their fine motor skills.



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March – Toy of the Month

Pop Up Toys

For Ages: 6 months – 2 years

Great because:

- Supports children to develop thinking skills.
- Helps children to learn that just because something is 'hiding' it is still there.
- Kids learn that when they push a button, something happens (cause/effect learning).
- They are fun and exciting.
- Develop early gesture – wave bye when they are gone.
- Develop vocabulary – names of animals, gone, push, down, up, jump, bye.
- Practice early listening and following instructions – e.g. push cow.



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