

THE BODACIOUS

BOOK SHOW III Nature Tales & Poetry

Our bodacious celebration of reading continues as Bob Bookmark and Rita Digest explore books about animals, adventure tales and poetry.



The Perfect Show for PARP or Any Reading Program

Featuring “Home In The Sky”

a classic folktale about the Sun, Moon and Ocean in which the whole audience and 12 onstage volunteers help to create an ocean full of life



With
Special Guest Star
Ima Ryhma's
FUNNY ANIMAL
POETRY

All that PLUS
the game that gets
kids talking about
great books

The “Have You
READ It?”
Quiz Show



Teachers, PTAs and Students agree these shows really motivate kids to read!

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Bodacious Book Show III — Nature Tales & Poetry

The Bodacious Book Shows are exciting performances created to inspire kids to pick up and read books that are so fun they'll want to read more. With over 500 successful school programs to date, parents, teachers and administrators tell us it's an approach that works. The series continues with Bodacious Book Show III: "Nature Tales", focusing on books about animals, wilderness adventures, and poetry.

The "Have You READ It?" Game Show returns with Bob Bookmark and Rita Digest to get the whole audience involved in thinking and talking about exciting books full of their favorite animal characters and adventures in Nature.

Poetry is featured in several ways. The fun in poetry is explored in comic animal poems narrated by **Ima Rhyma** and acted out by **Safari Bob**. Younger audiences help us bring to life "The Caterpillar", a poem by **Douglas Florian**. For older audiences there's **Robert Frost's** "The Road Not Taken" and special "Have You READ It?" poetry questions.

And there's a real grand finale: "**Home in the Sky**". A classic folktale about the Sun, the Moon and the Ocean performed with masks, costumes, storytelling, our amazing **Transformation Facepainting** and so much audience involvement that together we create an ocean full of life onstage. (*A special version is also available without facepainting*).

It's a fun and dazzling presentation of the real adventure you begin whenever you open a good book.

The Nature Tales Reading List

Young readers love to learn about animals. This can be a great motivation for exploring folktales and nonfiction books, as well as picture books with favorite animal characters like Clifford and Lyle.

Older readers respond to wilderness adventures like "Hatchet" and stories that bring us closer to animals, like "Shiloh" and the classic "Black Beauty".

Here's a partial list of the books we feature in the Nature Tales "Have You READ It?" Game:

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| Lyle, Lyle Crocodile | My Side of the Mountain | <u>featured Poets</u> |
| The Great Kapok Tree | Hatchet | Jack Prelutsky |
| Stella Luna | Shiloh | John Gardner |
| Rainbow Fish | Wind in the Willows | Douglas Florian |
| Miss Spider's Tea Party | Where the Red Fern Grows | Ogden Nash |
| Peter Rabbit | Black Beauty | Dr. Seuss |
| Clifford | Mr. Popper's Penguins | Shel Silverstein |
| The Very Hungry Caterpillar | King of the Wind | Frances Scott Key |
| Curious George | Trumpet of the Swan | Robert Frost |
| Make Way for Ducklings | Frog and Toad | and |
| Brown Bear, Brown Bear | Aesop's Fables | Haiku |
| Anansi the Spider | 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea | by Kyoshi, Issa, and Demaru |
| Caps for Sale | How Many Spots | |
| Horton Hatches An Egg | Does a Leopard Have? | |
| Where the Wild Things Are | The Jungle Book & Just So Stories | |
| Ferdinand the Bull | | |

Presenting Poetry

"Nature Tales" features some very funny poems by Jack Prelutsky, John Gardner, Douglas Florian and, our favorite, Ogden Nash. Such poems can be fun for kids to read out loud and act out.

By presenting poems in a playful and interesting way we hope to encourage students to explore poetry on their own.