

# Just for Families!



What is your favorite fairy tale? Chances are good we might be learning about it during our next unit, "Fun with Fairy Tales." Stories, such as these, are wonderful tools for helping your child build language and literacy skills. Here are a few of the topics we will explore:

- \* Real vs. Make-Believe
- \* "Jack and the Beanstalk"
- \* "The Three Little Pigs"
- \* Beginning, Middle, End
- \* "The Ugly Duckling"
- \* "Goldilocks and the Three Bears"
- \* My Own Stories
- \* Different Ways to Tell Stories

Here are some activities you can do with your child at home that reinforce our unit, "Fun with Fairy Tales."

## Bathtime:



Add rubber ducks to the bathtub and talk about the story, "The Ugly Duckling."

## Mealtime:



Make oatmeal or Cream of Wheat for breakfast and pretend to be the three bears (or Goldilocks) as you eat the "porridge" once it is "just right."

## Out & About (Traveling):



Tell stories while riding in the car. See if your child can tell the difference between a story that is real and one that is make-believe.

## Bedtime:



Read fairy tales at bedtime. Include other tales you think your child might enjoy including some that represent your cultural background.

Recite the following rhyme and stomp around the room with your child. Pretend to be the Giant from the fairy tale, "Jack and the Beanstalk."

FEE, FI, FOE, FUM!

Fee, fi, foe, fum...  
I'm the Giant ... you should run!  
Fum, foe, fi, fee...  
Hear me stomping so loudly!

