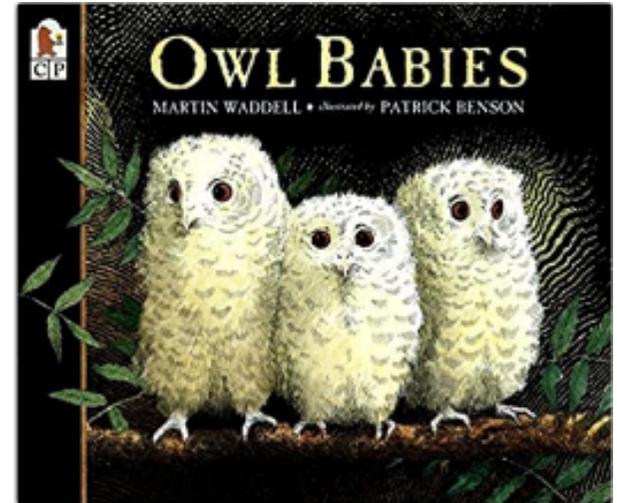




Barkley selected Owl Babies by Martin Waddell as the November children's book of the month! It is about three owlets that wake up one night to find their mother gone, worry about her absence, but are then elated when she inevitably returns from her night flight. Below are activities you can do with your children that meet Florida Early Learning and Development Standards.



Activity #1

Draw a large "O" on a piece of paper, and then work with your child to carefully place pieces of "O"-shaped cereal on the letter!

Physical Developmental

I.C.2a Coordinates the use of arms, hands, and finger to accomplish a task.

Activity #2

Print or draw owls on paper and put different color shapes inside of each owl. Ask your child to match the different colored shapes.

Mathematical Thinking

V.D.1. Begins to match basic shapes.

Activity #3

Use your fingers or drop a cotton ball in white paint and paint on black construction paper. Next, add two eyes, a beak, a branch and glue it on your paper. Now you have your own owl on a branch.

Creative Expression Through the Arts

VIII.A.1. Combine a variety of open ended, diverse, and process oriented sensory materials to engage in the art experience.



Activity #4

There's a wide eyed owl (circles over eyes)
With a pointed nose (triangle nose)
2 pointed ears (use fingers for ears)
And claws for toes (wiggle fingers like toes)
He lives way up in the tree (point up to tree top)
And when he looks at you (point at kids)
He flaps his wings (use arms for wings, and flap)
And says Whooo Whooo (continue flapping wings)

Approaches To Learning

II.B.1. Pays attention briefly and persists in repetitive task

Activity #5

Explore the word NOCTURNAL (active at night).
Next, discuss the animals that you see out at
night and not during the day.

Approaches To Learning

*II.A.1. Shows increased eagerness and
curiosity as a learner.*

Activity #6

Owl Babies is a story about three young owls who
are missing their mama and wondering where she
is and when she will come home. Make a "Text to
Self" connection by saying "Can you think of a time
when you were away from the person that takes
care of you and you were worried or sad?"

Approaches To Learning

*II.D.1. Demonstrates some planning
and learning form experiences.*