

Let's Spell Pink

Teaching Ideas and Answers

1. Name and discuss the animals in the video. For instance, where do they live? What do they eat? Can they fly or swim? Are they the right color? Encourage your kids to use complete sentences to describe the animals and their behavior. Here are the animals in the video.
 - Elephant
 - Frog
 - Cat
 - Lizard
 - Fish
 - Dog
 - Crocodile
 - Seahorse
2. Discuss some things that we learn about Pink the Pinkasaurus in the story. Encourage your kids to use complete sentences to describe Pink the Pinkasaurus. Here are a few.
 - He can count to five
 - He likes to play outside
 - He can wink
 - He always says please
3. Name and discuss some other things that are pink. Here are a few:
 - Pink lemonade
 - Piglet
 - Your tongue
 - Strawberry icing
 - Flamingos
 - The Pink Panther
 - Bubble gum
 - Strawberry ice cream
4. Read the lyric sheet aloud and let the kids finish the lyric. For instance, "Pink the Pinkasaurus likes to play _____. He likes to take his big wheel and go for a _____."
5. Give the kids a little quiz. Here are a few examples.

Q: What color is Pink's big wheel? A: Red, Yellow and Black
Q: What toys are in Pink's bedroom? A: Fire truck, football, bat
Q: Does Pink have a pet? A: Yes, a cat

6. The chorus of the song was designed to be memorable. This makes it easier for the kids to sing the most important part of the song. "Let me hear you spell pink! P I N K. Let me hear you spell pink! P I N K." If you have more than a few kids, divide them into groups. As the song plays, you act as choir director and point to whichever group you want to call out the individual letters. Point to different groups at random to keep the children on their toes!
7. Dancing is wonderful exercise and kids love to dance. I Can Spell Pink is a lively rock and roll song that's great fun for dancing. Chart out some simple movements that the kids can easily follow. You get to be the leader while the kids mimic your movements. Let the kids take turns being the leader and making up their own movements. Or just do the Twist. (I'm serious. The Twist. It's a dance. You can Google it.)
8. I included the MP3 song file to give you a little more flexibility over how you use the music. Sometimes you may just want to play the song as background music during playtime. Or maybe as an organized group activity like the ones described above. So feel free to use it on whatever device you prefer. Load it on to your iPhone or burn it on to a cd.
9. The lyric sheet is an editable word document. Please use it in any way you think will be helpful to your kids. Change the font size or type, change the page orientation. Print out individual phrases and have the kids draw a picture that corresponds to the phrase. Print out the whole thing and help your kids find popcorn words. There are quite a few in the song; you, me, is, his, and, a, the, in, with, can, he, for, go, when, to, got, that and big.
10. I'm sure you will come up with other very creative ways to use the contents of this program. If you do and you feel like sharing, drop me a note at mike@rockrhythmandrhyme.com and I'll include your ideas (and give you credit for them) on the Rock Rhythm and Rhyme website.



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