

Sharing for Sheep

Activity Ideas



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

* Explore the different ways of moving in the story. What might they look like: tug-of-war, running, tumbling, moving stealthily, scooting, leaping and landing.



COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE

* Make stick puppets of the characters and act out the story.

* Talk about your favourite parts of the story.

* Listen for and discuss the rhyming words. Continue a rhyming string.

RHYMING STRINGS

sheep



splat



feet

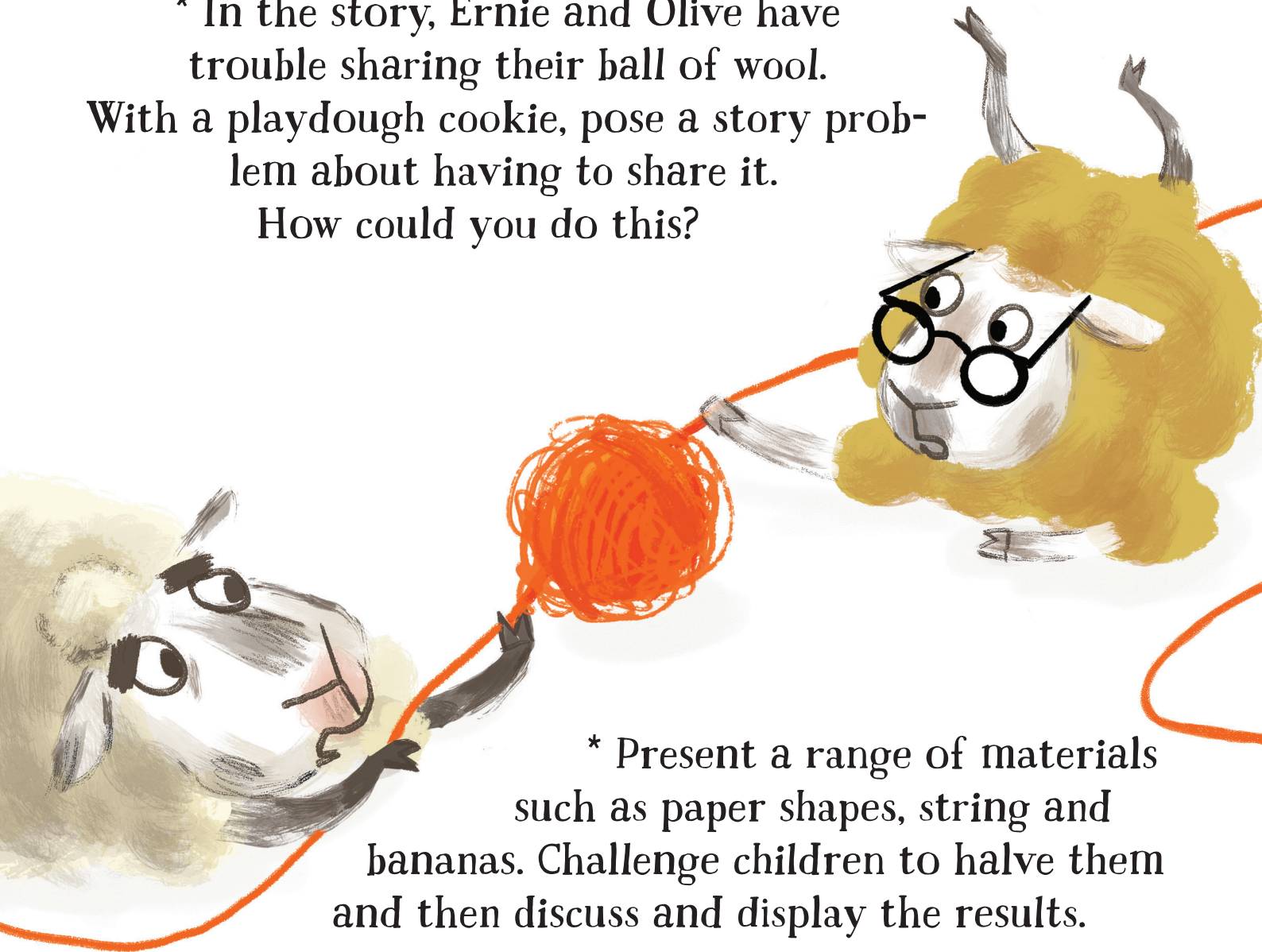


door



MATHEMATICS

* In the story, Ernie and Olive have trouble sharing their ball of wool. With a playdough cookie, pose a story problem about having to share it. How could you do this?



* Present a range of materials such as paper shapes, string and bananas. Challenge children to halve them and then discuss and display the results.

* By the end of the story, Ernie and Olive have shared out all the wool until they don't have any left. Ask the children to keep halving a piece of paper. What happens to the sizes of the pieces of papers?

* What would happen if you had to halve a box of four cakes, a collection of pennies, a length of ribbon, a bottle of drink?

ART & DESIGN

* At the end of the story, Olive and Ernie make a blanket together. Draw your own blanket, creating your own patterns for the different squares.

* Try finer knitting.



PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT



* Do you think it's important to share?

* Would you share the last ball of wool?

* Is there a 'moral' to the story?
Does it teach us anything?

*Talk about ways of sharing in the classroom, from taking turns to sharing objects, such as crayons and toys



* Encourage the children to talk about how they feel if someone won't share with them.

