

Madison Public Library's
Storytime Starters

Theme: Hats (Summer 2018)

Books For Toddlers:

Hat On, Hat Off – by Theo Heras ©2016
Old Hat – by Emily Gravett ©2018
Book-O-Hats – by by Donald Lemke ©2015*
That's My Hat! – by Anouck Boisrobert & Louis Rigaud ©2014*
Hooray for Hat! – by Brian Won ©2014*

Books For Preschoolers:

The Red Hat – by David Teague ©2015
Brimsby's Hats – by Andrew Prahin ©2014
The Pink Hat – by Andrew Joyner ©2017
I want my hat back – by Jon Klassen ©2011*
This is not my hat – by Jon Klassen ©2012*
We found a hat – by Jon Klassen ©2016*

Books For Elementary:

Ruby Mae has Something to Say – David Small ©1992
The Magician's Hat – by Malcolm Mitchell ©2018
I Had a Favorite Hat – by Boni Ashburn ©2015
A Hat for Mrs. Goldman – by Michelle Edwards ©2016

Fingerplays & Songs :

Hop on my Horse

From: [Rhymes and More](#)

I hop on my horse and go to town.
(Pretend to ride horse.)
I ride up high and I don't fall down.
(Place arms high and then low.)
I wear a hat so my hair won't blow.
(Put hand on head.)
and when I want to stop, I just say Ho!
(Pull back on reins.)

Yankee Doodle Dandy

(traditional)
Yankee Doodle went to town,
Riding on a pony
Stuck a feather in his hat
And called it macaroni
Yankee Doodle keep it up,
Yankee Doodle Dandy
Mind the Music and the step
And with the Girls be Handy

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Hats, Hats, Hats**

From: [ysostorytime](http://ysostorytime.com)

A clown wears a funny hat that's pointed at the top (*hands form point on head*)

A firefighter's hat protects her as she makes a fire stop (*hands circle head*)

A baseball player needs his hat when sun gets in his eyes (*indicate a visor*)

An astronaut needs a helmet when into space she flies (*place imaginary helmet on head*)

A cowboy rides a bronco and wears a wide-brimmed hat (*hands encircle head*)

But when the bronco bucks him off, his hat may end up flat (*clap hands flat!*)

I Like My Hat***

Found on: [ysostorytime](http://ysostorytime.com)

(From Carole Peterson; Stinky Cake CD)

I like my hat.

I like my hat.

I like my hat so I'll put it on my.... Knee.

(Ask kids if that is where a hat goes, then when they say 'no', tell them you'll sing it right and use a different body part until they are all giggling. Finally, tell them to yell out the right place to put a hat as you sing it one more time.)

Three Cornered Hat

Found on: [Kididdles](http://Kididdles.com)

My hat, it has three corners,

Three corners has my hat

And had it not three corners,

It would not be my hat.

Actions:

My - Point to self

Hat - Point to head

Three - Hold up three fingers

Corners - Bend arm and point to elbow

(sing 3 times (with movements)

faster each time!) online at:

<http://www.kiddles.com/mouseum/m020.html>;

Hats Song

Found on: [stepbystepcc](http://stepbystepcc.com)

To the tune of "Are You Sleeping?"

H-A-T-S

H-A-T-S

That spells hats

That spells hats

Everybody wears them

Everybody wears them

Just for fun

Just for fun

Have the children supply other reasons to wear hats and add verses about them:

to protect their head

to shade their eyes

to keep warm

when they dress up

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Activities & Extras:

Whose Hat?

Play guess-the-person. Show various hats (pictures or actual hats) and have the children tell who wears it...baker hat, police officer hat, firefighter hat, baseball cap, construction hat, Easter bonnet, wedding veil, top hat, motor cycle helmet, and so on... After the initial responses, take time to say "Any other ideas?"

How to Make a Three-Cornered Paper Hat

Start with a double sheet of newspaper folded in the middle. With the fold at the top, fold the corners down to meet in the center. It will make a triangle on top of two rectangle flaps. Fold the flap in the front up and bend the corners over. Turn the hat over and do the same thing with the other flap. Now you have a triangle. Open the hat in the middle. Push the two end points together so the middle pushes out to form a square. The bottom points on the square are now flaps. Fold the front one up so the point meets the top point of the triangle. Turn the hat over and fold up the remaining point.



Cat and Hat Rhyming Game (with flannels): *created by Carissa Christner, 2007*

Put pictures up on the flannelboard (clip art of: cat, hat, rat, mat, bat (baseball), bat (flying), cheese, banana, dog, rabbit, rocket), talking about what each one is as you put it up. Then, see if the kids can identify which words rhyme. You can also talk about how there are two things on the board that have the same name (bat and bat) and you can talk about how some of the things maybe "go" together—cheese + rat, cat + dog—but don't really sound alike. You could also talk about words that begin with the same sounds.

Poetry Moment: *Sun Hat* by Shel Silverstein, *Falling Up*, ©1996*

Fold-&-Tell Story: *The Rainhat* (from *Just Enough to Make A Story* by Schimmel)
For Each a Hat (from *Folding Stories* by Kallevig)

Make & Take: "Fingerhats" by Adam Rex <http://adamrex.blogspot.com/2011/09/fingerhats.html>

Literacy Tip:

~~Rhyming and alliteration are ways that children learn to hear that words are made up of smaller parts. This helps them when they later try to sound out words to read. The Cat and Hat game that we played today is one way to have fun with phonological awareness—you can do this anytime and you don't need to use pictures or other props, just talk about the world around you.~~

STAFF ONLY (this theme last done, Spring 2012)

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Big Book:

Caps for Sale (HPB)***
Happy Birthday Moon (MAD)
Animals Should Definitely Not Wear Clothing**

Flannel Boards:

Caps for Sale (MAD)
The Cow with a Bee in her Bonnet (HPB)**
Jennie's Hat (HPB)**
Cat/Hat Rhyming Game (HPB)
Just What Mama Needs (HPB)**
Oh Me Oh My

Prop Stories:

Whose Hat? (HPB—in flannelboards)
How Do I Put it On? (MAD)
Caps for Sale

Movies:

Milo's Hat Trick
Happy Birthday, Moon (MAD)
The Hat (SCLS)
Please add: Caps for Sale

Stamps:

Hats (MAD)*

Play Literacy:

Use the pictures of hats or try on different hats and ask the kids who would wear that kind of hat. (*note: MDK did this one with the Book-O-Hats*)

App:

Oh! The Magic Drawing App – by Louis Rigaud <https://vimeo.com/184992370>
Free, iOS and Android, based on the artwork from *That's My Hat!* by same author

