

ANIMALS SHOULD DEFINITELY NOT WEAR CLOTHING!

Fun illustrations show young readers how crazy it would be for animals to wear clothing. Animals are perfect just the way they are. Children definitely will not keep straight faces!

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Themes: Sense of humor; animal identification

Learn through laughter! You can definitely have some fun with this book. Even if your child has seen some of these animals before, I'll bet the pig wasn't wearing a shirt or the goat a pair of pants!

As you read this book with your child, talk about how many of these animals you and your child may have seen, either on a farm or at the zoo. Even if you haven't seen some of these critters "in the flesh or wool", reading about them in books is a great adventure, too.

After you've read the book, get out some paper and colors and have your child draw pictures of the animals they've read about. Use cotton balls for the humps on the camel, pieces of string or yarn for the porcupine needles, a band-aid for the necktie on the giraffe.

For more information about any of the animals you're not as familiar with, take a trip to the library and do a little research. It will be a great experience for you and your child to learn more about this terrific resource in your community, plus a great way for you and your child to spend some time together.