

FIND THE TEDDY

This delightful rhyming board book provides young children with the challenge of something to look for, amusing situations to talk about and familiar objects to name.

Illustrator: Stephen Cartwright

Ages: 9 months and up

10 pages

Themes: Rhyming; developing healthy curiosity; object identification.

You can begin this activity by showing your child a small toy and a few hiding places: a box, scarf, paper bag and pillow. While your child covers her/his eyes put the toy in the box, under the scarf, inside the paper bag, or under the pillow. Younger children might want to search the different hiding places until they find the toy, but older children could ask questions before starting to search—questions like:

- Is it under something?
- Is it in something?
- Is the hiding place paper? Cloth? Cardboard?

The children can take turns doing the hiding, too.

After you've read the book (at least once), talk about a few of the words/objects that were used in the story that you know they may be familiar with....bear, crib, toys, shoes. It's a great way to strike up a conversation and help your child recognize things that you may have in your home that were in the story.