

# GEORGE SHRINKS

George shrinks to the size of a mouse, but continues to do his household duties, from brushing his teeth to taking out the garbage.

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Ages: 4-6

32 Pages

Themes: Developing imagination  
Handling responsibility

Learning how to handle responsibilities can be a fun experience. As you read this book about George's experiences, talk with your child about what responsibilities they may handle every day that are similar to George's.....making their bed, brushing their teeth, helping to care for the family pet. When they hear about someone else having the same daily chores, these tasks seem to be less of a job and more of "being a big enough boy or girl" to help out at home.

Encourage your child to explore their own imagination. Cut the shape of a key out of cardboard and pretend that the key opens a door to an imaginary land. Ask your child questions like: What do you see when you open the door? Who might you meet in this imaginary land? What could happen there? They might like to act out their stories about the imaginary land .