

# SNUGGLE WUGGLE

Everybody loves to hug! But how do baby animals cuddle up with their mamas and papas? Pull the covers up tight and stretch out your arms to snuggle with the ones you love.

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Themes: Family relationships; recognize likeness and difference

This bedtime book is fine-tuned to the feelings of young children as well as to the sounds and images that capture their attention. Noting that children and their parents like to hug, the book asks how other animals hug their parents.

A fun way to recognize likeness and difference can be by putting together a matching game. Your child can help you find and cut out pictures of animals that you find in magazines. Paste them on small pieces of heavy paper so your child can handle them more easily. Let them choose a picture of a baby animal and match it with its parent. Can they name the animal? You can tell your child what the correct name of the young animal is, but they may prefer to name them “horse and baby horse”. That’s fine, too.