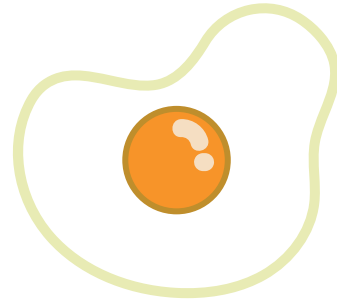
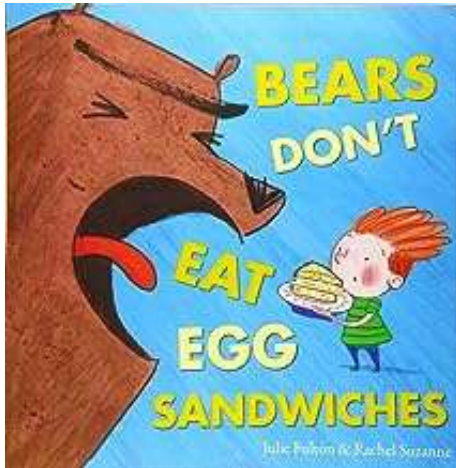


Read for Pleasure

Bears Don't Eat Egg Sandwiches

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John has a rather grizzly visitor arrive for lunch but he doesn't want to eat any of Jack's egg sandwiches. So what do bears want to eat for lunch?

Title Talk

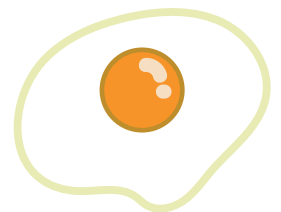
The title of this story is: Bears Don't Eat Egg Sandwiches

- If a bear came to your house for dinner, why might you want to offer him an egg sandwich?
- Why might the grizzly bear not want to eat your egg sandwich?
- What might he want to have for his dinner instead?
- With this in mind, what do you think will happen in this story?

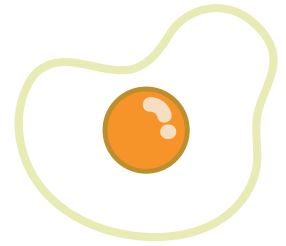
Cover Chat

Now look at the cover of this picture book.

- There are two characters on the front cover. Which do you think is Jack?
- What do you think Jack is holding?
- How is the Bear reacting to Jack's offering? Why might this be?
- Look at Jack's hair. What is happening to it?



- - What do you think is causing it to act in this way?
- - What might this suggest about the bear?

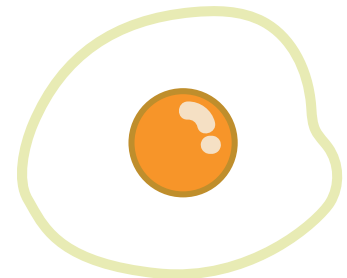


Page 1-2

- What is Jack preparing for lunch? How can you tell?
- What does Jack hear while preparing his lunch?
- Who do you think the visitor is? Why do you think this?
- How does Jack feel about having a visitor come to lunch?

Page 3-4

- Who is the visitor who has come to see Jack?
- Why do you think '...a bear' is written in big bold type?
- What might this suggest about how hungry the bear is and how big his appetite might be?
- What does Jack offer the bear for his lunch?
- Do you think this would fill up such a big hungry bear?
- How might the bear feel about Jack's offer?
- What might the bear want to eat instead?



Page 5-6

- What does the bear plainly state on page 5?
- How do you think he would have said these words? Act it out.
- How does Jack reply?
- How might Jack have said these words? Act it out.
- The bear says he knows what he wants for his lunch. What do you think this is?
- Why would the bear need a big plate to put his lunch on?
- What might this tell us about the predicament Jack now finds himself in?
- Do you think Jack realises he is in danger? Why do you think this?

Page 7-8

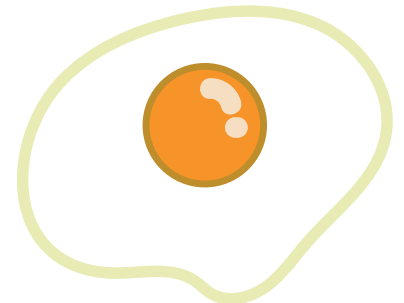
- Why do you think Jack brings the bear the biggest plate he could?
- What does this tell us about Jack?
- What does the bear say on page 8? How do you think he would say these words? Why do you think this?

Page 9-10

- Why do you think the bear licks his lips with his tongue? Act it out.
- What do you think the 'something nice and tasty' might be?
- Does Jack realise that the something nice and tasty might be him?
- Why do you think this?
- How does the bear reply? How might he have said these words? Act it out.
- What do you notice about the words 'Bears don't eat egg sandwiches? Why do you think they are written in this way?
- Why do you think the bear asks for a big spoon?
- Do you think Jack will try and find him one? Why would he do this?

Page 11-12

- Did Jack find the bear a big spoon?
- What does Jack tell the bear on page 11?
- How does this make the bear feel?
- What do you think the word 'bellowed' means? Act it out.



Page 13-14

- Why do you think the bear patted his tummy on page 13?
- How does the bear react to Jack's insistence on having egg sandwiches for lunch? Why might this be?
- How is this portrayed in the illustration on page 14?

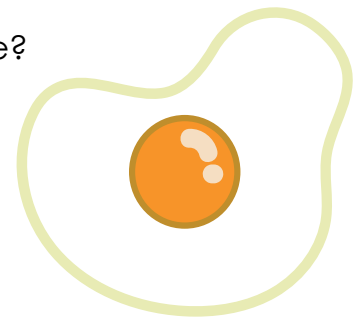
Page 15-16

- What does the bear still want for his lunch?

- Why does the bear want Jack to sit on the plate?
- Why do you think Jack willingly does so?

Page 17-18

- What three things does Jack think the bear might want to eat for his lunch on page 17?
- Why do you think the bear leans over Jack? How is this illustrated on page 18? Act it out.
- What might the next words be on the very next page?
- Write it on a wipe board. Why do you think this?



Page 19-20

- Which two words appear on page 19?
- Why do you think these two words are written so big and end with an exclamation mark?
- What six things does Jack tell the bear he will taste like? Make a list.
- Why do you think Jack chooses these six things? Discuss.
- Does the bear believe Jack?
- What does the bear say that tells us this?

Page 21-22

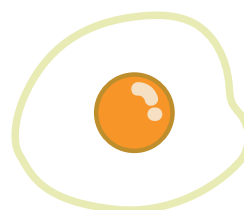
- What does Jack yell at the bear? Why do you think he yells this?

Page 23-24

- How does the bear react to Jack's yelling?
- Why would he react this way?
- Why do you think the words BEARS DON'T EAT EGG SANDWICHES appear in capital letters?

Page 25-26

- What does Jack offer the bear as an alternative to eating Jack?
- How does the bear feel about this?



- How is this depicted on page 26?
- Why are these last two pages so funny? Discuss.

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