

To the Teacher or Parent

This book allows for a wonderful shared reading experience for children who are beginning readers. The strong link between words and text helps readers understand the content. Readers are also able to make predictions about the text based on the images and the overall pattern of the book. This book is an excellent tool for building the confidence new readers need to embark on the adventures that await them while reading!

To extend this reading experience, do one or more of the following:

1. Tell the child that everybody has a brain. Talk about where the brain is in the body. Talk about how the brain helps us to move, think, and do.
2. Have some fun thinking about all of the other things that your brain can help you do. How many can you think of?
3. Hop aboard the Brain Train! Just pick an activity that uses your brain, and have some fun doing it.
4. Pretend that your brain is a muscle. Flex your arm muscles and your leg muscles. Then have some fun flexing your "brain muscles." Children will enjoy making faces that show they are flexing their "brain muscles."
5. Draw pictures of some of the things you use your brain to do.

