

ACTIVITY IDEAS FOR *THE THREE BETTY GOATS GRIFF*

1. Stick Puppets

Needs:

- Downloaded puppet page
- Crayons or markers
- Scissors and tape
- Tongue depressors or Popsicle sticks

Print the puppet pages. Have children color and cut out each character. Tape or glue each character onto a stick, and use them to retell the story.

2. Act out the story

Needs:

- Something to serve as a bridge, like a balance beam
- Dancing shoes for three goats
- Fishing pole
- Cooking pan
- Dark yarn or a wig for the Troll's hair
- Five speakers: one for each character and one narrator

Read the book and talk about the characters. Decide who will play each part. Help children remember to use their voice to create the character. Can you make the Troll sound grouchy? Can you make the Goats have an accent or a drawl? How else can you change your voice to create the characters?

3. Dramatic Play

- **Dancing Studio:** with a variety of dance costumes and dress up shoes, a ballet barre, and mirrors so students can see themselves. Add a variety of music for dancing.
- **Shoe Store:** with a cash register, variety of shoes, a ruler or shoe-sizer, pocket books, play money, and signs for the store.
- **Hair salon:** with brushes, combs, a chair near mirrors, a cape, pretend scissors, cash register, play money, and signs.
- **Dentist's Office:** with a chair, tooth brushes, sink, Dr. coat, etc.

4. Sensory play

Needs:

- Grass
- Small branches or cattails
- Water

For any of the above sensory ideas, add rocks to make a path or scissors to cut grass and branches into smaller pieces. Add insects or frogs to make it really exciting!