

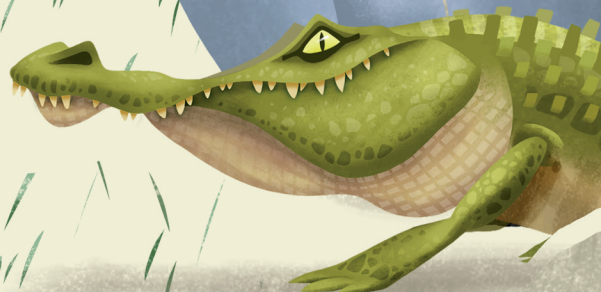


STORYTIME KIT

Ready...Set...

DON'T BLINK!

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Throw an unforgettable DON'T BLINK! STORYTIME

Think you and your storytime attendees can beat an elephant, a giraffe, a fox, and a gorilla along with even more of their animal friends in a staring contest? You're about to find out!

Round-Robin Staring Contest Directions:

1. Pair off your storytime attendees into groups of two, and on the count of three, kick off the staring contest!
2. The winners of the first staring contest will move on to the next round. Repeat until only two finalists remain.
3. Crown the winner the staring champion, and give them a prize like a sticker sheet.
4. Distribute "I didn't blink!" certificates to all of your storytime attendees to take home with them!

DON'T BLINK! Read-Aloud Tips

Whose voice is that?

After the staring contest begins, many different animals join in! Use a different silly voice for each animal and you will have your storytime attendees in stitches.

Walk/talk like the animals!

As each animal joins in on the fun, challenge your storytime attendees to imitate them.

Can they...

- Tweet and flap their wings like a bird?
- Chomp like an alligator?
- Say "Ooh ooh, aah aah!" like a monkey?
- Wave their trunk like an elephant?
- Hoot like an owl?
- Move veeery slooowly like a tortoise?
- The options are endless!

One animal doesn't blink when the other animals do! Can your storytime attendees figure out who?



MATCH THE ANIMALS

Draw a line from the picture of each animal to its name.



Bird

Frog

Cheetah

Girl

Elephant



SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you find the differences in these pictures of the girl and her animal friends? Circle the five differences.



1. Bird is on Elephant's head. 2. Owl is blue instead of purple.
3. Someone shaved Giraffe's tail! 4. Alligator's mouth is open. 5. Cheetah blinked!

COLORING PAGE

This staring contest needs animal friends! Add as many as you can in the space below.



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ANIMAL MASKS

Have a grown up help cut out these animal faces and make a mask! Either glue a popsicle stick on the inside edge of the mask and hold it up to your face, or punch holes and use string to wear your mask. Be sure to cut out the eye holes so you can see and have staring contests with your animal friends!

Tip: Be sure to make photocopies before cutting if you need more than one set.



MEMORY GAME

You have tested your staring abilities, now it's time to test your memory!

Have a grown up help you cut out the cards and place them animal side down. The youngest player goes first. Flip over any card, and see which animal is underneath. Flip over a second card and see if you have a match. If you do, you get a point and these cards stay flipped. If you do not have a match, put both cards facedown again and move to the next player's turn. Go back and forth until all of the cards are animal side up.



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CERTIFICATE

**I DIDN'T
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Sign your name here!

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