



BEST BEGINNINGS

Alaska's Early Childhood Investment

BOOK TITLE: **Cool Time Song**
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SUMMARY OF BOOK: This book is about animals in the wild who go out during the day to find food and water. The animals are very excited when the sun goes down during the evening and celebrate through song.

***BEFORE READING** (Ask questions and use what the child already knows to add to the discussion, assisting the child in understanding and enjoying the book.) Ask:

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| 1. Where can you find wild animals? | 3. Do you think animals enjoy the outside when the sun is bright? |
| 2. How do you feel when you go outside and the sun is out? | 4. What is the difference between wild animals and a pet animal at home? |

DURING READING (ask these questions to promote discussion about what is happening):

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| 1. How do the elephants protect their skin from the sun? | 4. What clothing do you wear when it's hot outside? |
| 2. How do you think the lion feels during the day when the sun rises? | 5. What do you drink? |
| 3. What do you do when it's really hot outside? | |

AFTER READING (activity to extend book experience):

Go outside and watch the sunset. Talk about what happens when the sun goes down – how it looks and feels outside. Encourage your child to make up a story or song to express how she/he feels.



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