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הוצאה: הקיבוץ המאוחד

Age Group: **Preschool (3–5)**



Proposed Family Activities:

- Perhaps you would enjoy looking at the illustrations and finding the child's three friends, and their dog, who appear on almost every page. What are they doing in each picture? Are they taking part in the child's adventures?
- You may want to look through the book together, and read the poems out loud. Unlike a story with a plot, a collection of poems can be read in any order you like. Is there one poem you consider to be your favorite? You could try to learn it off by heart.
- You could also try to write short imaginative poems about something you had supposedly done, or had happen to you.
- Following these short rhymes, you may want to play with words, and make up your own funny rhymes. Does your first name rhyme with anything? And does your other family members'?
- The child in the poems experiences funny, unexpected adventures: he rides a cloud; fights giants; and takes a walk in the street with an elephant. Perhaps you'd like to imagine yourself as the child: what would the spaghetti have turned into then? Who would you have taken elephant-back riding? And who would you allow into your secret room? Perhaps you would like to illustrate your own imaginative poems, or draw your secret room.

- Using your imagination may help to cope with daily limitations or difficulties. You may want to think of everyday situations together in which our imagination could help, and ask questions such as: “If I were as tall as a giraffe...”; “If I could fly in the sky...”, or “If I could be in two places at once...”. You may enjoy drawing these imaginary situations, and create your own “If I were...” scrapbook.

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