



## *GRANDPAPPY SNIPPY SNAPPIES* LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- \* Read *Grandpappy Snippy Snappies* aloud with rhythm. It should sound like suspenders snapping. It helps to wear suspenders while reading the story =)!
- \* As you read *Grandpappy Snippy Snappies*, invite children to act out the concept words throughout. That is, they should lean up on the word “up” and then lean down on the word “down.” They should smile on the word “smile” and frown on the word “frown,” and so on.
- \* As you read *Grandpappy Snippy Snappies*, hold your hand up to your ear after each of the “oo” words to invite children to repeat them after you. And so, after you say “Moo! Moo!” children should repeat “Moo! Moo!” After you say, “Woo! Woo!” they repeat “Woo! Woo!” And so on. Also hold your hand up to your ear and have children repeat after you say “Boing-a-moing-a-moooo” and similar words in the story. The result is a fun echo response reading.
- \* This story has many patterns in it—patterns in the **words** of the story and patterns in the **action** of the story. Challenge children to find all the patterns in this book and record them. Hint: See [Activity 2 PDF](#) for this book.
- \* In this story the grandfather is called *Grandpappy* and the grandmother *Grandmammy*. Make a class list of as many grandparent names as possible. For example, author Lynn Plourde called one set of her grandparents: *Pépère* and *Mémère* (French names for grandparents).
- \* In this story Grandpappy wears suspenders. Today’s kids may not know what suspenders are. Show them some and talk about who may wear suspenders (i.e. firefighters, farmers). Bring in other articles of clothing that may be unknown to children (i.e. vests, cummerbunds, bow ties, leotards, etc.) to show and discuss. Challenge children to unscramble the CLOTHING WORDS on the following page. Discuss any unfamiliar clothing items. (Answers to Scramble, in order: belt, suspenders, apron, turban, snowsuit, bandana, chaps, gloves, long johns, galoshes)

## CLOTHING WORD SCRAMBLE

Unscramble the clothing words below.

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o n p a r

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r a n b u t

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w u n i s o s t

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d a a n n b a

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a c p s h

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v l e g o s

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g l o o h n j n s

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