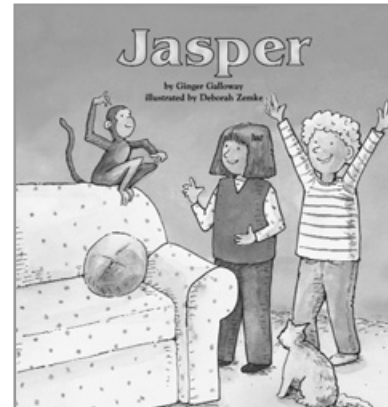


Jasper

Author Ginger Galloway

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16 pages ■ 107 words



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SYNOPSIS

Jasper, the mischievous monkey, knows lots of rules but doesn't always obey them.

WHAT THE BOOK OFFERS

- Fiction
- First person plural
- Present tense
- Repetition of pattern once story is introduced
- Repeated dialogue
- Clear text/illustration match
- Humorous interactions
- Captivating storyline

POSSIBLE SKILLS EMPHASIS

- Use of “do not” instead of contraction
- Present tense speech conventions—“say”
- Attending to text detail
- Attending to text and picture detail for prediction and confirmation

INTRODUCING THE BOOK

Title and cover illustration: *What would it be like to have a monkey as a pet in your house? Can you think of another story about a monkey? What did he do? I wonder what this monkey will get up to.*

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FOCUS OF INSTRUCTION

Pages 2 and 3: *Look at the illustration. What's on the floor next to Jasper? Why do you think the illustrator put that there?*

Page 4: *Why do you think the author chose not to use the contraction "don't?"*

Pages 4 to 7: *What do you notice about pages 4 and 5 and 6 and 7? What does that make you think you'll read on the next two pages? (establish pattern, then attend to text while making predictions and confirmations from illustrations)*

Page 11: *Can you guess what rule Jasper breaks next? What clue did you see at the beginning of the book?*

- Page 16: Can students predict what will happen on the last page? Read the text, using the illustration for support.

FOLLOWING THE READING

What rules do you have at your house that Jasper could break?

- Read and discuss "Curious George" stories. Explore text to text connections between these two stories.
- Rewrite the story with younger siblings rather than a monkey. *What do your younger brothers and sisters do at your house? Do they break the rules sometimes?*
- Rewrite the story as a play.