



# BEAR SNORES ON

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One by one, a whole host of different animals and birds find their way out of the cold and into Bear's cave to warm up. However, bear just snores on! See what happens when he finally wakes up and finds his cave full of uninvited guests- all having a party without him!

## READ

**Before:** Introduce the book and tell the children a little bit about it. Follow with a comment or question that is related to the story such as, what do you think this story is about? Encourage a discussion so the children can comment, ask questions, and express their feelings. Set the stage for listening by asking an "I wonder" statement based on the cover illustration.

*I wonder what the other animals are doing while the bear sleeps?*

**During:** Encourage the children to comment on the illustrations, ask questions and predict what will happen next in the story. Children gain confidence and a sense of achievement through being able to correctly predict how a story will end. Point out "rare words" (e.g., those words that are not commonly used in every day conversation) and help the children relate the meaning in a way that makes sense to them.

### Rare Words

- lair - a place where an animal sleeps
- dank - cold and wet
- slumbering - sleeping
- blubbers- to cry
- fret - to worry
- blustery - weather characterized by strong winds

**After:** Discuss the story. Ask questions...

- How does the bear feel when he wakes up?
- What do all of the animals do when the bear wakes up?
- The bear ROARS. What sounds do you think the other animals make?
- Do you think the bear is happy at the end of the story?
- What are all the other animals doing at the end of the story?



## Sleepy Bear - Paper Plate Craft

### Materials:

- Paper plate
- Brown tissue paper
- Brown or black construction paper or cardstock
- Scissors
- Glue

Cut enough brown tissue paper squares to cover the paper plate. Take the paper plate and cover with glue. Place the tissue paper on top of the glue until the paper plate is completely covered.

Cut out eyes, a nose and mouth for the bear on the construction paper/cardstock. Glue these pieces in place and your paper plate bear will come out of hibernation!