

We're Going on a Bear Hunt!

We're going on a bear hunt. We're going to catch a big one. What a beautiful day! We're not scared. Oh-oh! Grass! Long wavy grass. We can't go over it. We can't go under it.

Oh no! We've got to go through it!

Swishy swashy! Swishy swashy! Swishy swashy!

We're going on a bear hunt. We're going catch a big one. What a beautiful day! We're not scared. Oh-oh! A river! A deep cold river. We can't go over it. We can't go under it.

Oh no! We've got to go through it!

Splish splash! Splish splash! Splish splash!

We're going on a bear hunt. We're going catch a big one. What a beautiful day! We're not scared. Oh-oh! Mud! Thick oozy mud. We can't go over it. We can't go under it.

Oh no! We've got to go through it!

Squelch squirch! Squelch squirch! Squelch squirch!

We're going on a bear hunt. We're going to catch a big one. What a beautiful day! We're not scared. Oh-oh! A forest! A big dark forest. We can't go over it. We can't go under it.

Oh no! We've got to go through it!

Stumble trip! Stumble trip! Stumble trip!

We're going on a bear hunt. We're going to catch a big one. What a beautiful day! We're not scared. Oh-oh! A snowstorm! A swirling whirling snowstorm. We can't go over it. We can't go under it.

Oh no! We've got to go through it!

Hoo woo! Hoo woo! Hoo woo!

We're going on a bear hunt. We're go to catch a big one. What a beautiful day! We're not scared. Oh-oh! A cave! A narrow gloomy cave. We can't go over it. We can't go under it.

Oh no! We've got to go through it!

Tiptoe! Tiptoe! Tiptoe!

WHAT'S THAT! One shiny wet nose! Two big furry ears! Two big googly eyes!

IT'S A BEAR! Quick!

Back through the cave! **Tiptoe! Tiptoe! Tiptoe!**

Back through the snowstorm! **Hoo woo! Hoo woo! Hoo woo!**

Back through the forest! **Stumble trip! Stumble trip! Stumble trip!**

Back through the mud! **Squelch squirch! Squelch squirch! Squelch squirch!**

Back through the river! **Splish splash! Splish splash! Splish splash!**

Back through the grass! **Swishy swashy! Swishy swashy! Swishy swashy!**

Get to our front door. Open the door. Up the stairs. Oh no! We forgot to shut the door.

Back down stairs. Back upstairs. Into the bedroom. Into the bed. Under the covers.

I'M NOT GOING ON A BEAR HUNT AGAIN!



Sound Effects Activity

Reading a story together is great fun, but you can have even more fun if you add some sound effects. You can sound just like a play on the radio.

On the other side of this sheet are the words for the traditional tale “We’re going on a Bear Hunt.” It contains several sound effects that you can join in with.

Before you start to read the story practice the sound effects and have any props next to you so you have them when you need them. Perhaps you can get help and have one person reading and others making sounds. When the reader says the words below in the story join in with these noises. These are my suggestions but you can have fun making up your own.

- Swishy swashy! Swishy swashy! Swishy swashy! **Wave streamers of tissue paper as you say the words**
- Splish splash! Splish splash! Splish splash! **Say the words with very wet lips.**
- Squelch squirch! Squelch squirch! Squelch squirch! **Pretend to squelch mud in your hands**
- Stumble trip! Stumble trip! Stumble trip! **Stamp hard with one foot and less with the other.**
- Hoo woo! Hoo woo! Hoo woo! **Blow into your kazoo to make scary snowstorm noises.**
- Tiptoe! Tiptoe! Tiptoe! **Tap your fingers very gently on the table and whisper the words.**

I hope you enjoyed this. If you want to get more stories for free why not borrow some books from your local library. Here is where you can find them.

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