

Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons **Fun Activities and Book Suggestions for Families**

Math Activities:

Pattern Practice with Buttons

Start with just two different-colored buttons and have your child practice creating patterns with them. For example, blue, green, blue, green, blue green. Or try this pattern—blue blue, green green, blue blue, green green. Once your child has mastered patterns with two colors, introduce a third colored button. If you don't have buttons, you can use coins, dried beans or colored o-shaped cereal.



Button Sensory Bin

The Button Sensory Bin is very simple to pull together. Just pour various buttons into a bin and let your child play! They can sort by color, size, and/or number. You can also use Legos or another small item of assorted sizes and colors.



Cooking/Food Activity:

Button Sandwiches

Start with a piece of bread, a glass or round cookie cutter for cutting, and a straw. Have your child push the lid down on the bread and pop out the circles. Next, have them use the straw to poke four holes in the bread. To make the holes, just press the straw straight down onto the circle and twist a little. The hole will form easily. Now your buttons are done. You can fill them with anything you would like to make your own button sandwiches!



If you and your child enjoyed reading *Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons*, be sure to check out these books too:

- *Pete the Cat and the Missing Cupcake* by Eric Litwin
- *Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party* by Eric Litwin
- *I Like Your Buttons* by Sarah Marwil Lamstein