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## *Please, Mr. Panda*

### Fun Activities and Book Suggestions for Families

#### Geography:

Working with your child, make a list of the animals in the story. Find out where they live in the wild. If you have a map, plot their locations on it.

#### Science:

##### Learn about pandas. Where do they live? What do they eat?

This is a great video with beautiful images: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VNxx8jVEm3I>

##### Live Panda Cam:

<https://nationalzoo.si.edu/webcams/panda-cam>

#### Math & Manners:

##### Partner Play

Provide a spinner or dice, bowls, and sorters (pom-poms, Cheerios, coins, etc.).

Each player has an empty bowl. Place the sorters/counters in a bowl between them. One player spins the spinner or rolls a die and asks the other player for that many items: "May I have 3 pom-poms please?" The other player counts out three and places them into their partner's bowl. The player receiving says "Thank you"; the giver says "You're welcome." If someone forgets to use their manners, they do not get pom-poms.

#### Food Activity:

##### Donut Sandwich

Make a donut sandwich using bread (or a bagel) and sprinkles and your choice of filling. Your child can practice counting when adding the sprinkles to their "donut." They can also practice identifying colors.



If you and your child enjoyed reading *Please, Mr. Panda*, be sure to check out these books too:

- *Panda Kindergarten* by Joanne Ryder
- *The Donut Chef* by Bob Staake
- *Say Please* by Virginia Austin