

## Family Reading Guide for: Strictly No Elephants by Lisa Mantchev

Below are some comments and questions to use when you share this book with your child. Pick a few that interest you and maybe add some of your own! The idea is to enjoy sharing the book with your child and talking about it as you read.

***Explore the story together, talk about it, and most of all have FUN!***

**Note:** Page number 1 is the first page of the story with writing. Before they first share the book with their child, some people like to put small numbered sticky notes or *very* light pencil markings in the book to tell them what page they are on. It does make it easier to use these questions!

**The first page of this book begins with the words:** The trouble with having a tiny elephant

Page	Question
Cover	What do you remember about this book?
5	What is the elephant holding? How is this helping the boy?
9	Where are all the kids and pets going?
12	What does the sign say? What does "strictly" mean?
14-15	What is happening on this page? How are the boy and his elephant feeling?
18-19	Have you ever smelled a skunk? Why do you think skunks have a strong smell?
22-23	What are some of the other animals in this picture?
26-27	What are all the children and animals doing?
30	How have you helped a friend? How has a friend helped you?
Whole Book	Can you remember some of the ways that the boy and the elephant helped each other?