

Not Norman

Extension Activities for the Classroom

Fun with Food:

Bagel Fish

Ingredients: half a bagel (or waffle), cream cheese, food coloring, banana slices, blueberries, clementines, and optional sprinkles



Arts and Crafts:

Handprint Goldfish



Materials needed: White paper, scissors, orange paint, black markers and googly eyes

Games:

What's Missing?

This game is simple to set up and just as easy to play. Here's how:

- Show the students the pet-related objects on the tray. For children just starting, stick to 3–4 objects. As they get older and gain confidence with the game, more items can be added to provide a greater challenge.
- Identify each object with the students.
- Students close their eyes, and the teacher takes a small blanket or handkerchief and covers the tray.
- The teacher picks up one item and removes it from the tray.
- Students open their eyes and identify which item is missing from the collection.



Pet Supplies Scavenger Hunt



To help your kids understand what pets need and how to properly care for them, here's a really fun pet scavenger hunt activity that you can use. Considering that more than half of all households in the U.S. have pets, including pet care in early childhood education is a meaningful and important way to help young children learn empathy and responsibility.

Music and Movement:

The Waves in the Sea

(sung to the tune of "The Wheels on The Bus")

The waves in the sea go,
Up and down, *(make a rolling wave by moving one hand up and down)*
Up and down,
Up and down,
The waves in the sea go,
Up and down,
All day long.

The sharks in the sea go,
Snap, snap, snap . . . *(hold two hands together, joined at the wrist, to form a mouth, snap open and shut)*

The fish in the sea go,
Swish, swish, swish . . . *(swim hands around as fish)*

The crabs in the sea go
Click, click, click . . . *(click fingers)*

If you and your students enjoyed reading *Not Norman*, be sure to check out these books too:

- ***What Pet Should I Get***, by Dr. Seuss
- ***The Little Fish and the Big Bad Shark***, by Ken Geist
- ***Memoirs of a Goldfish***, by Michael Kinsell
- ***Strictly No Elephants***, by Lisa Mantchev
- ***Pet Show***, by Ezra Jack Keats