

Family Reading Guide for:

Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons by Eric Litwin, illustrated by James Dean

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: 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: Pete the Cat put on his favorite shirt with four big, colorful, round, groovy buttons.

Page(s)	Comment/Question
Cover	What does “groovy” mean? Why do you think Pete’s buttons are groovy?
3	Let’s sing Pete’s button song.
6	Will you show me how <i>4 take away 1 equals 3</i> with your fingers?
10–11	Why do you think Pete likes skateboarding?
17	Can you tell me about a time that you lost something? How did you feel when you realized it was missing?
18–19	Why is the surfboard on top of the car? How does the surfboard move when you put it in the water?
23	Does everyone have a belly button? Why is it always with us?
25	Let's sing Pete’s belly button song together.
29	What is happening to the buttons in this picture? Which one did Pete lose first?
29	What is your favorite part of this story?