10 WAYS TO EXPLORE THIS BOOK

The Circus Ship
by Chris Van Dusen

1. SEARCH for all fifteen animals hiding from Mr. Paine
2. PLAY hide and seek
3. CREATE silly rhymes including your name
4. ACT out the story with stuffed animals
5. READ a book about boats or ships
6. PLAN an imaginary trip on a ship – where would you go?
7. LEARN about the places where the animals live in the wild
8. TALK about what circus animals might do in your neighborhood
9. FIND Maine and Massachusetts on a map to trace the ship’s intended voyage
10. MAKE up a new animal – draw a picture and tell a story about it

*Did you know that the antelope in the book is not real?! It’s a combination of a few different antelopes because Chris Van Dusen couldn’t find what he wanted in any one animal.

FIVE WAYS TO DISCOVER ANY BOOK WITH A CHILD

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