



Let Me Finish

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When our young hero settles in to read, the last thing he wants is for some noisy animals to ruin the ending of the story. But they do! And as it turns out, the boy is quickly approaching a surprise ending of his own.

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Nonfiction Titles:

Mistakes That Worked: 40 Familiar Inventions & How They Came to Be by Charlotte Jones

Graphing Story Problems by Lisa Colozza Cocca

Introduction: Why should you never spoil a surprise? How is the end of a book like a surprise?

Story time Activities:

Draw a fun place you can hide when you want to be left alone. Have students share their drawings and what could possibly be disturbed by if they choose this place.

Create “Do Not Disturb I’m Reading” hang tags for students to put out when they are reading.

Love this as a mentor text for my kiddos when teaching how to book talk - don't spoil the ending! Use this to have students create book talk videos about the book without giving away the ending.

Discussion Questions:

1. How would you avoid someone telling you about the end of a book?
2. Why isn't it fun to have the end of a book told to you before you actually read the book?
3. Why should you still read a book even if you have seen the movie about that book? Because many times the book and the movie are different and you might like the book better.
4. What happened to the boy once he finishes the book? You'll have to read it to find out.....
5. Why were the animals actually trying to help the boy and not spoil the end of the book? I'm no book spoiler. If you want to know you'll just have to read the book.