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### Family Activities

You don't have to stand on your head to see the world upside down! You may want to think together with your child what makes each of us different than others, even "upside-down" in relation to others (appearance, pastimes, opinions, talents, etc.)? How do your family members' uniqueness and various perspectives contribute to the family as a whole?

You may like to think about the various characters together, and how each one reacts when they discover Shufon's difficulty. Perhaps you would enjoy creating a dialog between two owls in different points along the book, and discuss with your child the change undergone by the entire owl community.

Sometimes what one person finds hard, another achieves with ease. In order to experience backward reading, you may want to write a word on a piece of paper and put it against a mirror. Look at the word's reflection. Can you figure out what it says?

Following the story, you may enjoy having a reading ball at home! Each family member can bring their favorite book to the ball, and explain why they had chosen it. You can read the books together, relish the wordplay, and even feast on special refreshments

(such as letter-shaped cookies or food associated with one of the books).

**Wordplay:**

You could look through the book and search for the blue words. Ask your child what sets them apart from the other words in the book, and why they think they were printed in a different color.

You may want to explain to your child that words that read the same left to right and right to left are called palindromes. You may like to think of other palindromes together (such as mom, dad, eye) and enjoy some wordplay.

Some of the words in the book have different meanings when read backwards. You may want to look for these examples and think of other words that create new words when read backwards.



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