

# My Little Sister Ate One Hare

by Bill Grossman

An uproariously funny counting book that is sure to make your young ones – and you – laugh!



## Read

### Before:

Introduce the book and tell the children a little bit about it. Follow that with a comment or question that is related to the story such as, *Is there a food that you just absolutely do not like to eat? If it is small, round and green, then you are really going to enjoy this book.* Encourage a discussion so the children can comment, ask questions, and express their feelings. Set the stage for listening by asking an “I wonder” statement based on the cover illustration.

- I wonder if that girl is really going to eat that rabbit/hare?

### During:

Encourage the children to comment on the illustrations, ask questions, and predict what will happen next in the story. Ask the children to pay special attention to what the little sister ate first, second and so on, as well as how many. Point out “rare words” (e.g., those words that are not commonly used in every day conversation) and help the children relate the meaning in a way that makes sense to them.

### Rare Words in *My Little Sister Ate One Hare*

- shrew: a small animal with a pointed nose that looks a lot like a mouse
- capture: to catch and then lock up (in a jar in this case!)
- polliwog: same as a tadpole – a baby frog, toad or salamander that has a round body, gills and a tail, but no arms and legs
- gizzard: a thick-walled sac in the stomach

### After:

Discuss the story. Ask questions...

- Did you like this story?
- Which part did you think was the funniest?
- Which animal do you think would be the worst to eat?
- Which animal would have made you throw up then and there?
- Have any of you ever seen a polliwog?
- Eating a bat or a shrew doesn't bother her a bit but when she eats the peas – the nutritious food – she throws up. How silly is that?

## Dragonfly Snack Delights

The narrator's little sister ate one hare – and so can you with a few simple ingredients!

You will find the instructions below for Dragonfly Snack Delights on the inside front cover of *My Little Sister Ate One Hare*. Enjoy!

You will need the following:

Pita bread or a rice cake

Peanut butter

Raisins or chocolate chips

Jelly

1 piece of celery

1 peeled banana

1. Make the eyes by spreading two small dots of peanut butter on your pita or rice cake. Now, place a raisin or chocolate chip in the center of each peanut butter circle.
2. Add a small dab of jelly in the center of your pita or rice cake. This will be the hare's nose.
3. Have an adult help you slice the celery into two thin sticks (each about 1 inch long) to make the hare's teeth. Spread peanut butter on one side of the celery sticks and place them below the jelly nose.
4. To make the hare's big ears, have an adult help you cut the banana in half. "Glue" each of these halves to the top of your pita/rice cake face with a dab of peanut butter.
5. It's snacktime – dig in!