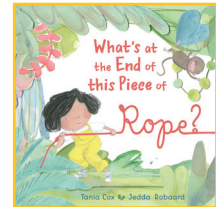


### WHAT'S AT THE END OF THIS PIECE OF ROPE?

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Heave-ho, heave-ho! *What's at the End of this Piece of Rope?* A little girl is determined to find out what's at the end of a piece of rope that she finds in a jungle. Together with a group of friendly animals they pull, and tug, and heave the rope until... CRASH! Can you guess what is hiding at the end of the rope?



### Threading Lion's Mane

#### You will need:

- Template attached
- Wool or a shoe lace
- Sticky tape
- Hole punch.

#### What to do:

1. Print and cut out lion face template
2. Use a hole punch to make holes in Lion's mane
3. Tape one end of your piece of wool to the back of the lion template
4. Wrap some tape around the other end of the wool to make it easy to thread with
5. Thread in and out around lion's mane and secure with tape when finished.

#### More ideas

Play active games to help with balance and coordination. Some game ideas you can play include:

- Bouncing and throwing a ball to each other or against a wall outside
- Balloons are good to play with indoors – throw up and catch, or tap towards another person
- Jump rope or hopscotch
- Mark out a track in masking tape (indoors) or with chalk (outdoors) and move along the tape – walk, skip, twirl, hop or jump!

#### STEM FOCUS.

Maths is so much more than numbers! Experimenting with patterns and shapes is a way to tap into early mathematic skills. In this activity you can try to thread your wool into different patterns. Can you make straight lines or zig zags? Turn the lion face over and see what shapes you can find, use a crayon to outline your shapes.

#### Songs to sing

*5 Little Speckled Frogs, Hokey Pokey and Heads and Shoulders, Knees and Toes.*

#### Key message:

Children learn through being engaged and doing.



**Adult supervision is essential. Involve and talk with your child as much as possible.**

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