



'Where's Spot?' by Eric Hill.
This is a delightful lift the flap book, that tells how Spot's mother Sally is searching everywhere to find Spot. Just as Sally searched for Spot, the Bible tells us that God searches for us.

Biblical Reference:

Luke 15:6

'Rejoice with me for I have found my sheep which was lost!'

Next month's book is:

'Oh! The Places You'll Go' by Dr Seuss

Inspiration ...

If you do not have this book, you could borrow it from the library or watch a re-telling of the story on YouTube.

 <https://youtu.be/jD7hvWtb4ns>

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Theme: Seek and you will find

Theme exploration:

Jesus told a story about a shepherd who leaves his flock of ninety-nine sheep in order to find the one which is lost. This story can be found in most children's Bibles. It appears in both Matthew and Luke (Matthew 18:12-14, Luke 15:3-7), or you could watch it here:

 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tyWZeOlaRo4>

Christians believe that this story tells us how we all belong to Jesus, because He created us. Yet not everyone knows and loves God in return. God is searching for those people to know Him.

Because God cares for us. We are important and precious to Him. He knows each one of us by name and searches for us when we aren't close to Him.

Things for you to try this month:

- Have a family game of hide and seek or play peek-a-boo.
- Make a lift the flap picture, by cutting out a picture and taping a flap over it.
- Have a go at either a nature scavenger hunt and/or Geocaching.
- Watch the film 'Finding Nemo'.
- Learn this rhyme:
Whoever we are, whatever we do remember God is with us too.
Wherever we go, we're never alone, God's Love is with us too.



We believe in the power of prayer

A prayer to pray with your child/ren:

Lord, meet our children in the comings and goings of their lives, bringing them close to you. Amen.

A prayer we pray for you as parents:

Loving God, help these parents to know that you are there for them, no matter how lost, worried or alone they may feel. Amen.