

Where the Wild Things Are A Sensory Story

Recommended activity music: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jTtddTpl4m8&list=PL39001DFF1203D290</u> Recommended Audiobook: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MnJn3567UMo</u>

The activities below will help to create a fun sensory experience with your child as you read through this story at home.

Story	Objects/Activity
The night Max wore his wolf suit and made mischief.	With a pan and spoon take turns hitting it - making lots of noise, just like Max did!
His mother called him "wild thing!" and sent him to bed without his supper.	Let everything go quiet, then knock on a <u>hard</u> <u>surface</u> to represent his footsteps going up to bed.
That night in Max's room a forest grew and grew until vines hung across the ceiling.	Use real plant <u>leaves, ribbon or strip of material</u> to tickle up their arms and legs to represent the forest growing around him.
An ocean tumbled by with a private boat for Max - he sailed across it for almost a year!	Use water spray or a damp sponge to represent the water lapping up against the boat.
And came to the place where the wild things are. They roared their terrible roars and showed their terrible claws.	Use your fingers or a <u>soft comb</u> to run along arms and heads - to represent the claws of the wild things.
Until Max said "BE STILL!" and tamed them with a magic trick of staring into their big yellow eyes	Let everything go quiet, make eye contact where possible and rest hands on their shoulders.
So, they made him king of all the wild things!	Wear a <u>crown</u> and view it in a <u>mirror</u> (see printable crown resource).
"And now let the wild rumpus start!" said Max.	Let off party poppers safely. For pupils that don't like loud noises play music instead.
Now stop said Max and sent them to bed without their supper. Then from far away he smelt good things to eat	Place items for your child to smell - for example dried herbs or spices.
So, he gave up being king and sailed back home for over a year	Again, use the <u>water spray</u> or a <u>damp sponge</u> to represent the water lapping up against the boat.
and into his room where his supper was waiting for him	You can rub your stomachs or time this story to end at lunch time or have a healthy snack.