

#TundraTime Activities



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Age: 3-7 years | Grade: Preschool-Grade 2

ABOUT THE BOOK

A little boy, who is a keen artist, becomes obsessed with a mountain he can see from his house. One day, he tries to draw the mountain, but his drawing doesn't look anything like it, so he decides that he has to take a closer look. He sets off with his dog, drawing what he sees along the way, and making a growing collection of animal companions during his hike. But when he finally reaches the mountain, the boy makes a discovery about the importance of perspective and friendship which changes how he views the world around him.

Both a powerful exploration of art and a sweet ode to hiking, this picture book from acclaimed author-illustrator Marianna Coppo and her partner, Mario Bellini, will inspire readers young and old to stop and take the time to appreciate both the world around them and others who inhabit it.

KEEP THE CONVERSATION GOING

Here are some ideas, activities and questions to consider after you've read the book:

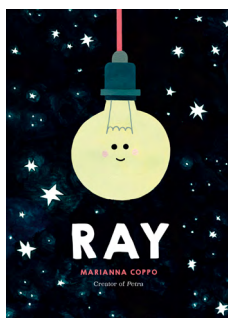
- On the boy's adventure, he comes across a bunch of leaves on the ground. With the help of an adult, go outside and see what kinds of leaves you can find, then try to find the names of the plant that each of the leaves came from.
- The boy tried to draw the mountain multiple times but couldn't get it right. Think back and try to remember a time when you drew something, but it didn't turn out as you expected. Did you try remaking it? What did you do to improve on your drawing?
- Go outside and take a look at the sky. Do you see any birds drawing in the sky, just like the birds in the book? Try to imagine you are a bird looking down at your neighborhood. Draw your home from a bird's-eye point of view.



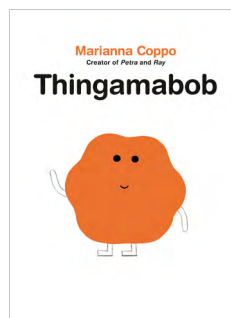
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ACTIVITY In *The Boy and the Mountain*, the boy looks out his window and sees a mountain. When you look out your window, what do you see? Draw it in the window below.



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