



# ACTIVITY GUIDE

**Episode 401:** What is Schwa?  
**Book:** Every Autumn Comes the Bear By  
Jim Arnosky (1st half)

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## Read It

Read the story out loud.  
Underline the words with the  
**schwa** sound.

One autumn, a panda bear met  
a polar bear. "You look  
different," said Panda. "Where  
are you from?"  
"I'm from the frozen tundra,"  
said Polar Bear. "Where are you  
from?"  
"I'm from the green forest," said  
Panda.  
Polar Bear was afraid of the  
forest. She thought it was full of  
a bunch of scary creatures.  
"I want to avoid the forest," said  
Polar Bear. "It is so scary!"

## Phonics

The Schwa sound usually  
sounds like "uh"...like you are  
thinking. It sounds like the u  
sound, but it can be spelled  
with any vowel.

Say the following words out  
loud. Listen for the schwa  
sound. Circle the letters that  
make the schwa sound.

avoid

autumn

tundra

panda

afraid

## Write It

Do you think Polar Bear will  
ever Visit panda?

## Think About It

Pandas live in bamboo  
forests in China. Polar  
Bears live on the frozen  
tundra. Could these bears  
live in the same habitat?



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**Episode 402:** Sorting Schwa Sound  
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## Read It

Read the story out loud. Underline the words with the **schwa** sound.

The forest was Panda's habitat, so he knew it wasn't scary. Panda felt fortunate to live in the forest. So, Panda decided to invite Polar Bear. "It's not too late. You can visit my forest soon," he said. Polar Bear was amazed at the invitation. "That is very considerate, Panda," she said. "As long as you promise there are no pirates!"

## Write It

1. Make an inference.
2. What is the mood of the story?

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Say the following words out loud. Listen for the schwa sound. Circle the letters that make the schwa sound.

Fortunate

Pirate

Considerate

Amazed

Invitation

## Words to Know

**setting** - where the story is happening

**mood** - the feeling from the story.

**infer** - take your best guess from the information in the book and in your brain

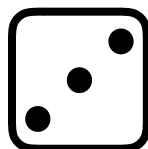
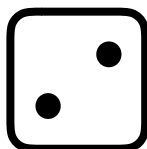
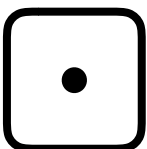
# 4 in a Row: Multiples of 10

**Materials:** two crayons (one color for player 1 and another color for player 2) and a die

**Directions:**

1. Player 1 rolls the die. Find the column with the matching number shown on the die. Start at the bottom of that column and if player 1 correctly answers the first multiplication problem in that column he/she can color in that box.
2. If the problem was answered incorrectly he/she cannot color in that box.
3. Player 2: Repeat step 1-2. If a box is already colored in the column you rolled move to the box above it.
4. Continue playing until one player has 4 in a row!

$9 \times 80 =$	$8 \times 70 =$	$4 \times 40 =$	$20 \times 3 =$	$50 \times 8 =$	$10 \times 5 =$
$30 \times 2 =$	$60 \times 5 =$	$20 \times 3 =$	$9 \times 40 =$	$2 \times 60 =$	$30 \times 4 =$
$4 \times 40 =$	$10 \times 3 =$	$9 \times 20 =$	$90 \times 7 =$	$7 \times 80 =$	$20 \times 6 =$
$30 \times 2 =$	$20 \times 4 =$	$90 \times 7 =$	$60 \times 2 =$	$9 \times 10 =$	$80 \times 2 =$
$3 \times 60 =$	$4 \times 90 =$	$60 \times 2 =$	$3 \times 30 =$	$30 \times 7 =$	$60 \times 8 =$
$5 \times 40 =$	$60 \times 4 =$	$4 \times 70 =$	$60 \times 5 =$	$10 \times 8 =$	$20 \times 5 =$
$50 \times 6 =$	$3 \times 50 =$	$5 \times 50 =$	$3 \times 70 =$	$50 \times 7 =$	$3 \times 40 =$



# Close To 100

**Materials:** 2 sets of number cards 0-9 (cut out)

**Directions:**

1. Work with a partner. Cut the bottom portion of this sheet in half so each player can record their answers. Place the number cards face down. Each player draws 4 cards.
2. Each player chooses 2 cards to complete the expression to make a value as close to 100 as possible. Write the 2-digits and the product.
3. The player closest to 100 wins.



Level 1: Player 1			Level 1: Player 2		
Round 1	___ x 1___ =	_____	Round 1	___ x 1___ =	_____
Round 2	___ x 1___ =	_____	Round 2	___ x 1___ =	_____
Round 3	___ x 1___ =	_____	Round 3	___ x 1___ =	_____
Round 4	___ x 1___ =	_____	Round 4	___ x 1___ =	_____
Round 5	___ x 1___ =	_____	Round 5	___ x 1___ =	_____
Level 2: Player 1			Level 2: Player 2		
Round 1	___ x 2___ =	_____	Round 1	___ x 2___ =	_____
Round 2	___ x 2___ =	_____	Round 2	___ x 2___ =	_____
Round 3	___ x 2___ =	_____	Round 3	___ x 2___ =	_____
Round 4	___ x 2___ =	_____	Round 4	___ x 2___ =	_____
Round 5	___ x 2___ =	_____	Round 5	___ x 2___ =	_____

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