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Sylvester finds a magic pebble that grants his wishes. When startled by a lion he makes a wish that has unexpected outcomes.

Ages: 4 to 10 years

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Related Books: :

A House for Hermit Crab
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Press Here by
Herve Tullet



Sylvester and the Magic Pebble

What will Sylvester wish for?

Math Connections:

Time

Patterns

Cause and Effect

Activities To Do Together:

- Talk about the seasons. What are the names of the seasons? How many seasons are there in a year? How many months in a season? Talk about which season is your favorite and why.
- Look through the book and point out the different seasons. How many went by when Sylvester was a rock.
- Explore what cause and effect is together. For example, when your child kicks a ball (cause), the ball rolls away (effect).
- Ask your child what wish they would make if they found a magic red pebble. Ask what they think the effect of that wish would be.

Extension Questions:

1. How many seasons are shown in the book? Do any seasons repeat? How do you know?
2. How did Sylvester turn into a rock? Do you think this could really happen? Why or Why not?
3. What is something that you could do in one minute? What would take at least an hour to complete? What would require a week to finish? What would require at least a year to complete?

Vocabulary for Building Math Concepts:

billion, down, guessed, hundred, less, mile, one, shape

Early Math Project Resources:

Domino Knock Down: <https://bit.ly/3wprfll> (English)

Spanish Version Coming Soon!

Online Resources:

Cause & Effect information and Activities From Children's Library Lady: <http://bit.ly/3mqnFaZ>

Activities about the four seasons from Buggy and Buddy: <http://bit.ly/34krpEH>