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ANIMAL BABIES





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Teaching Tips

Before Reading

- Briefly discuss animal life cycles. Babies are born, they grow, and they have their own babies.
- Look through the glossary together. Read and discuss the words.
- Go on a picture walk, looking through the pictures to discuss vocabulary and make predictions about the text.

During Reading

- Encourage readers to point to each word as it is read. Stop occasionally to ask readers to point to a specific word in the text.
- If a reader encounters an unknown word, ask them to look at the rest of the page. Are there any clues to help them understand?

After Reading

- Check for understanding.
 - What are some things baby goats do during the first few weeks? What about after that?
 - ▶ Why do goats burp a lot?
 - ▶ Look at page 22. What did you learn about baby goats from reading this book?
- Ask the readers to think deeper.
 - Other than size, what is one thing that is different about baby goats and adult goats?
 - What is one thing that is similar about baby and adult goats?

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It's a Baby Goat!

A mother goat just had a baby.

It is so cute!

The baby goat is called a kid.

That is just like you!



Here comes another baby goat.

Usually, a mother goat has two kids at a time.

When she has babies, it is called kidding.

That's no joke!

