LET'S READ TOGETHER

In this story, a black bear follows the scent of berries and embarks on an adventure that takes him far from his home. In a park, it’s discovered that someone has eaten a sandwich. Who exactly ate the sandwich? Was it the bear -- or was it someone else? As you read or listen to the story with your child, pay attention to how the little girl feels when the dog tells her the bear ate her sandwich.

LET'S TALK ABOUT NEW WORDS

Here are some words to talk about as you read or listen to The Bear Ate Your Sandwich:

- delicious, good to taste
- disappeared, out of sight
- doze, a light sleep
- drifted, to float along on water
- interesting, holding or catching your attention
- surprise, the feeling when something unexpected happens

LET'S PLAY

Make a Handprint Bear

In the story, the bear takes a journey from the forest to the city. Make a bear with your child and tell a story about its adventures. Start with a blank piece of paper and crayons. Help your child place their hand palm down, then spread their fingers wide and trace all of their fingers. Turn the paper so that the fingers are facing towards you. On the very tip of the thumb, draw a circle for the nose. Draw an eye and two ears. On the other side of the handprint, draw a circle for the tail. Invite your child to color the bear with crayons. Now, talk about the adventures your bear will have. Tell a story together about what would happen if the bear visited your home. Where would he go and what would he see?