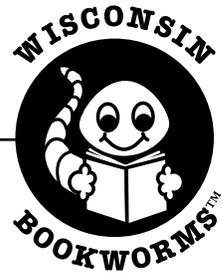


# Activity Sheet



## "The Bossy Gallito"

Retold by Lucia M. Gonzalez, illustrated by Lulu Delacre

This bilingual edition of a classic cumulative memory-story is told with a Cuban accent. A rooster sets out to attend the wedding of his uncle but dirties his beak on the path. He asks for help and finally the sun aids him in reward for his morning crowing. Both the English and the Spanish incorporate rhythmic repetition to help children master sequence.

**Before you read this book:** Go to the back of the book. Share several Spanish words in the book, such as gallito, sol, agua and pico with the children. Have them repeat the words after you. Can they tell you what they mean?

Talk about how the rooster starts the day by announcing the rising of the sun. Have the children practice their cock-a-doodle-doos.

**After you read this book:** Make a "My Day" book.

1. Preprint pictures of children doing activities — eating a meal, playing, brushing teeth, making the bed, walking the dog, wearing pajamas, sleeping, etc.
2. Have children choose four or five pictures that represent their day and put them in the order they happen during the day.
3. Children can color a construction paper cover. Hole punch the pictures and cover, tie with yarn.

Sing "I Know an Old Lady" with the kids. Please replace the words "perhaps she'll die" with "don't ask me why" and the words "she died of course" with "of course, of course."

**Try this at home:** Play a new version of "I Spy" where you take turns seeing things in the room and remembering them. Start with one item, have your child repeat it and add another item. Try to play up to five items.

### Additional resources:

"If You Give a Cat a Cupcake" by Laura Numeroff  
 "The Little Red Hen" pictures by Lucinda McQueen