## Mr. Green Pony & the Purple Cookies

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## **Educational Activities Include:**

- 1) Story Sequencing & Memory Activity
- 2) Story Discussion Questions
- 3) Nature Activities
- 4) Coloring Pages: Inside Barn Scene

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## Mr. Green Pony & the Purple Cookies Educational Activity #1

## **Story Sequencing & Memory**



**You'll Need:** print out of "Purple Cookies" story images, Inside Barn coloring page, scissors, crayons, glue

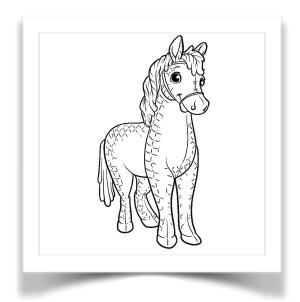
#### Story Sequencing:

- Cut out story images & lay next to the Inside Barn scene.
- Ask the memory questions below:

#### **Memory Questions:**

- Why were Maya & Egor bored? (rainy day nothing to do)
- What did Mr. Green Pony suggest? (wait and see what ideas might come)
- Why couldn't Egor walk in the mud (his glomps get stuck)
- Who did Maya ask to help them find a friend? (Princess Snake)
- What color cookies did Egor bake? (purple)
- What kind of friend did the snake find? (a toad)
- What color were the toad's eyes? (purple)
- Was there a balloon in the story? (no) Toad (yes)
- Was there an umbrella in the story? (yes) Cookies? (yes)

## Purple Cookies Story Images

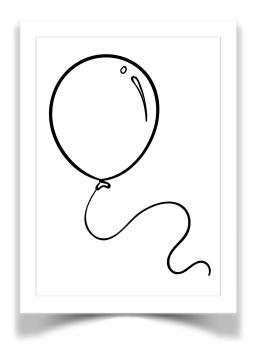






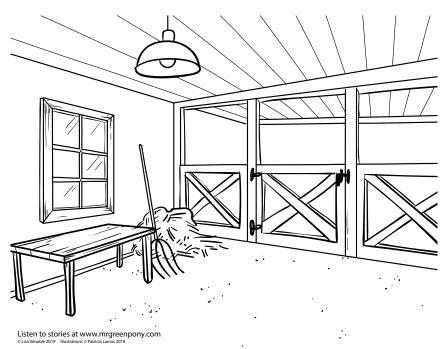


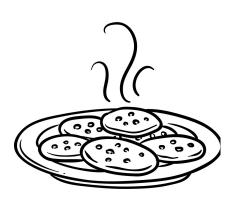




# Mr. Green Pony & the Purple Cookies Educational Activity #2

## **Story Discussion Questions**





### **After Story Discussion:**

### Mr. Green Pony Themes: Kind, Brave & Green:

- In this story, how are Maya & Egor brave? (don't give up on finding something fun to do)
- How is Egor brave about his cookies? (offers cookies to toad even though scared he won't like them)
- How can we be brave when we are bored?

#### Reinforce the lesson throughout the day.

#### **Examples:**

You are so brave to try that!

Don't give up! Let's think about what else we could do today.

## Mr. Green Pony & the Purple Cookies Educational Activity #3

## **Nature Activities**





### **Nature Activities:**

Unstructured play time in nature is highly valuable for young children. Take your child outdoors if possible and ask them what they see or hear in nature. ENGAGE THEIR CURIOSITY!

Nature teaches children about resiliency, observation, survival and adventure! Nature offers children LIVE, tactile experiences critical to brain development. Engage child less in passive screen-time and more into real live experiences!

#### **Activity ideas:**

- Look for where frogs or toads might live. Listen for them near ponds.
  - Make purple play dough cookies and act out the story.
- Engage child in new discoveries in nature engaging their curiosity about toads, frogs, snakes, earthworms, etc.
  - Look for nature programs for young children at area parks.

#### You can also ask children questions like:

"Where can we find toads or frogs? What do you think they eat?

"What's your favorite color food?

"How can we be friends with nature?"



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