

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Express Yourself

Dear Parent,

We are learning to read with expression using a variety of texts, including poetry. I hope you enjoy this activity with your child. This assignment is due \_\_\_\_\_.

Thank you!

### THINGS TO REMEMBER

Reading with expression helps you understand and enjoy the text.

When you see an **exclamation mark (!)**, you read with excitement.

When you see a **question mark (?)**, you read to ask a question.

When you see a **period (.)**, you read in your regular voice.



### LET'S DO THIS

With your child: Practice reading this poem by Mother Goose.  
Read each line, pointing to each word.  
Point to the punctuation at the end of the line.

Ask your child: Just for fun, read each line of the poem  
with expression based on the ending mark.

### *Little Bo-Peep*

1. Little Bo-Peep has lost her sheep?  
And can't tell where to find them?  
Leave them alone and they'll come home.  
Wagging their tails behind them.
  
2. Little Bo-Peep has lost her sheep!  
And can't tell where to find them!  
Leave them alone and they'll come home.  
Wagging their tails behind them?

## LET'S FIND OUT

Ask your child: Read these phrases of letters and numbers with expression based on the ending mark.



**ABCD !    EFG !    HIJK ?    LMNOP .**

**QRS !    TUV .    WXYZ ?**

**1, 2, 3 .    4, 5, 6 ?    7, 8, 9 ?    10, 11, 12 !**

**13, 14, 15 !    16, 17, 18, 19, 20 .**

Ask your child: Choose a poem that you know. Read or say it in a funny way.

Say each line as a question.

Say each line with an exclamation point!

Say each line in a deep voice or high voice.

Pick one more funny way to read or say the poem.

## HOME-TO-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Dear Parent,

Please give your reactions to your child's work on this activity.

Write YES or NO for each statement.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. My child understood the homework and was able to complete it.  
\_\_\_\_\_ 2. My child and I enjoyed the activity.  
\_\_\_\_\_ 3. This assignment helped me know what my child is learning in class.

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_