**BOOK TITLE**

The Cat in the Hat
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**LEARNING CATEGORY**

Literacy: Listening, Phonemic Awareness; Rhyming; Arts; Writing

**AGE LEVEL**

GRADES PreK - 3

**PRIMARY STANDARDS MET**

Reading: Literature; Speaking and Listening Writing

*see footnote for more information

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**LEARNING TARGETS**

Students will: Listen for sound effects and music during this read aloud and create a Cat in the Hat hat using the sounds and music heard in the story.

Key terms for learning: upright bass, strings,

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**ACTIVITY DETAILS**

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<th>Materials Needed</th>
<th>Book, Novel Effect app, red and white paper strips 1 ½ by 5 ½ and one larger white piece for the brim 7 ½, crayons or markers</th>
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| Instructions     | 1. Read “The Cat in the Hat” with Novel Effect.  
2. Have students listen for the sounds, instruments, and music (specifics are listed below if they need hints)  
3. Students will write sound words on the strips of paper to create their “Cat in the Hat” Novel Effect hat! to commemorate their reading experience.  
4. Keep the discussion going with the soundscape information included below |

**Instruments and Sounds**

🎵 bass 🎸 strings 🎵 circus music 🌧 bouncing ball 🌧 rain 🌧 crash 🌧 bubbles 🌧 splash 🌧 plop 🌧 things breaking 🌧 knocking 🌧 door closing 🌧 kites 🌧 gasp

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<th>Soundscape Information: A note on the music</th>
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<td>Plucky and sneaky pizzicato strings on the title dissolve into the sad plops of rain on a gray day. Then the cat shows up, and with him a big upright bass. How many different fish and bubble sounds can you hear?</td>
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<td>When the cat is up on his ball doing his balancing act, we hear a rendition of <em>Entry of the Gladiators</em>. You’ll probably recognize this as the circus song. It was composed in 1897 by Czech composer Julius Fucik.</td>
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*Standards: CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.K.1, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.K.10, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.K.8, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.1.8, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.1.1 - 3, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.1.4, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.1.10 SPEAKING & LISTENING: CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.K.1A - B, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.K.5 - 6, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.1A - B, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.1.2, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.1.4 - 6 CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.2.8, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.W.3.8, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.3.1, CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.SL.3.1 A - D*