

Activity Materials

- pen or pencil
- photocopies of “The Ninja Match-Up” activity

Before Storytime

In *Ninja Cowboy Bear Presents the Way of the Ninja*, the ninja participates in a variety of daring activities. Ask your group what kind of games they like playing best. Are they more like the ninja’s, the cowboy’s or the bear’s idea of fun?

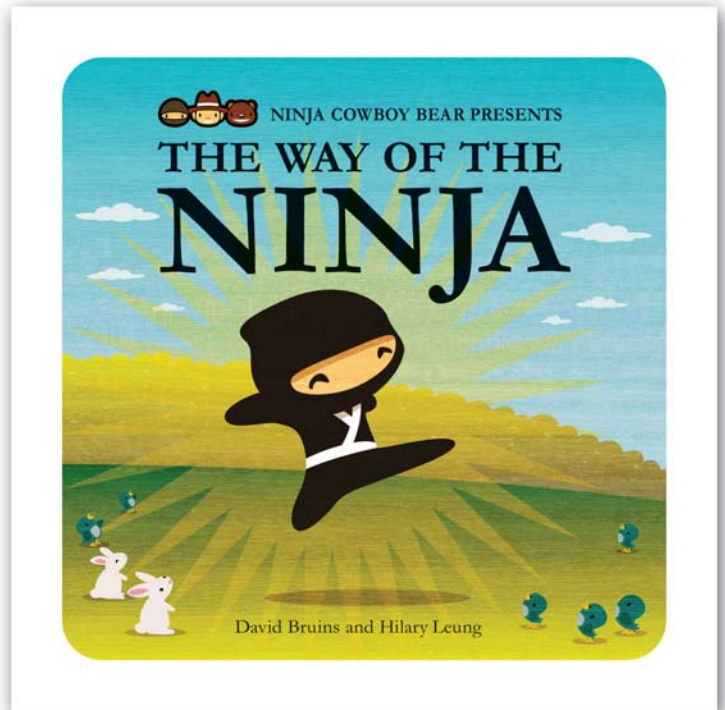
During Storytime

Ask the kids to describe what’s happening in each illustration. Can they name some of the ninja’s activities? What happens to the ninja’s friends when they agree to do something daring? What do they think the ninja misses when he tries certain activities on his own?

After Storytime

Ask your group what the ninja learns about friendship and compromise. When the kids play with their friends or siblings, how do they decide on the game or activity? Do they take turns doing the different things that they all enjoy? Why is it important to be willing to try different things? Is it just as important to pursue your own interests? What kinds of games do they like to play with their friends or siblings? How do the kids feel when others aren’t willing to play the games they like?

Keep the fun going with “The Ninja Match-Up” activity on page two.



The Ninja Match-Up Activity

Draw a line connecting the ninja to his daring activity.

1.



Playing Ping-Pong

2.



Playing Ultimate

3.



Juggling

4.



Hang gliding

5.



Parachuting

Turn the page upside down to reveal the answers.

1. Juggling 2. Hang gliding 3. Parachuting 4. Playing Ultimate 5. Playing Ping-Pong