

Activity Sheet



“Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party”

By James and Kimberly Dean

In “Pete the Cat and the Perfect Pizza Party” Pete makes a pizza with pepperoni, but his friends keep adding their own silly toppings. Instead of getting upset, he decides the best pizza is the one they create together.

Before you read this book:

Ask and discuss the following questions with the child: “What toppings do you like on your pizza?” “Do your friends always like the same foods you do?” “If we’re ordering one pizza for everyone, how should we choose the toppings?” and “What does it mean to you to make sure everyone feels included?”

While you read this book:

Point out how Pete wants cheese pizza only, but each friend suggests a topping Pete doesn’t expect. Pete doesn’t say “that’s silly” and this makes his friends feel welcome. He changes his cheese only “perfect” pizza plans to make a pizza that is created by everyone’s ideas. Point out how much more fun the pizza party was with the shared pizza creation.

After you read this book:

- Ask the child to share a time when someone made them feel welcome and included, or a time when they made someone else feel welcome or included. What did they do to make that person feel welcome? How did it make them feel?
- Ask the child to share a time when they tried something new (can be a food or an activity).

Try this at home:

- Make your own pizza and let each family member choose a topping.
- Design your perfect pizza using construction paper.
- Create something together using ideas from everyone, like a picture or a new game. See what you come up with!

Additional Resources for Involving Everyone:

“The Big Umbrella” by Amy June Bates

“Strictly No Elephants” by Lisa Mantchev

“All Are Welcome” by Alexandra Penfold