# Pete the Cat Storytime

**Prep:** 5-10 min

**Items:**

- Books:
  - Pete the Cat: I Love my White Shoes (Book)
  - Pete the Cat: Rocking in my School Shoes (Book)
  - Pete the Cat and the Cool Cat Boogie (Book)
  - Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons (Book)
- Items:
  - Paper Bag
  - Pete the Cat Template (PDF)(Left Shoe)
  - Glue (Either Stick or Bottle)
  - Googly Eyes

**Full Length:** 35 min

**Beginning:**

- We started the Story Time by singing "I Wake up my Hands" by Jbrary. The great part about this sing is that you can have the kids choose the body part. This allows the kids to learn the body parts while making it fun!
  - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ZzvSxwQ8mM
- The first book that we read was "Pete the Cat: I Love my White Shoes". I didn't do any music for this story time because some of these books do have music elements in them. Most of the kids knew this book and loved singing with each other. I had them sing the musical phrases twice so this way they could get a chance to learn it for those who didn't know it.

**Middle:**

- We went straight into the second book which was "Pete the Cat and His Four Groovy Buttons". This book is great for those beginning counters. At the beginning, I had them hold up four fingers for the four groovy buttons. Each time a button would fall off, I would have them put a finger down. This was hard for some of our friends so they could shout it out too.

**End:**

- The last book that we did was Pete the Cat and the Cool Cat Boogie. Kids love to dance! Sadly we didn't learn the cool cat boogie, but if I had more time I would have taught them. We did dance a little throughout the book by doing some of the dances the characters were doing.

**Craft:**

- We made our very own Pete the Cat for the craft. The paper bag we used for the body. Then we used the parts of the template and glued them to the paper bag. For this one, we only used the shoes and the head. I used paper bags so they could use Pete the Cat as a puppet if they wanted to. There wasn't a left shoe on the template that I found online, so I decided to make one myself.
    - Another idea is to make this before the Story time and use it while you're reading.