

**Sammy Snake Spies Silly Stuff at School
for 101 Days.
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How to read this booklet.
Run the cover off & laminate it.
Run the book off on colored copy paper.
Laminate it for durability.
Introduce Sammy Snake. You can make your own puppet out of a colorful sock.
Read the short story the first day.
Each day of school read the next day's portion as your count up to the 100th day of school
and then the 101st day after!

This is Sammy Snake
This is Sally.
She is going to School.
Sammy wants to go too.
She and Sammy have had lots of fun playing I Spy Stuff!
They spy silly stuff.
They spy stupid stuff
They spy all sorts of stuff.
When they spy stuff they count it.
Sally & Sammy can count to 101.
Can you?
Would you like to learn how to count to 101 with them?
They have counted all kinds of stuff at home.
Sammy wants to spy stuff with Sally at school.
Sooooo
Sammy slithers and slinks and sneaks into Sally's Sack.
He is going to sleep at school and hope no one sees him.
This is day number one.
Sammy is so excited.
Sally is surprised to see Sammy.
"Snakes don't go to school Sammy." Says Sally.
"You have to stay in my sack."
Sammy is so sad.
Sammy snuffles and sniffs.
This is Miss Sophie
She is Sally's teacher.
She is sweet.
She says: "Did anyone remember to bring something for Show & Share?"

Sally thinks fast.

I have brought my friend Sammy Snake. He is stuffed with stuffing.

“How nice!” Said Miss Sophie.

Sally gets Sammy out of her sack. Sammy is ecstatic!

He slithers and slinks and shows self-control hoping to stay.

“What a socially acceptable sweet stuffed snake!” says Miss Sophie

“We need a class pet, would you like to stay at school with us?”

“Of coursssssse!” Hisses Sammy Snake with a smile!

And that is how Sammy Snake got to stay at school with Sally so they could count cool school stuff!

1. On day number ONE, the FIRST day of school, Sammy & Sally rode ONE big yellow school bus. Can you write the number 1? Get out your “Yippee Skippees” and do it with Sally & Sammy.

“What’s a Yippee Skippee?” Asks Susie.

“Silly me!” Says Sammy Snake. “We forgot to explain.”

“A Yippee Skippee is your pointer finger. You can skywrite with it!

Skywriting is when you make letters and numbers with your pointer finger in the air.” We always start at the TOP and go DOWN.

We always start at the LEFT and go RIGHT.

See how simple skywriting issssss.

Make a 1 like thisssss with me. Says Sammy Snake.

2. On day number TWO, (Flash 2 fingers for me) the SECOND day of school, Sammy & Sally spied PAIRS of things. Pairs always come in groups of 2. Can you spy any pairs in your room? (shoes, eyes, hands, feet, socks, gloves, ears, etc.) How many pairs did you find? Let’s write the number 2 with our Yippee Skippee’s. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right.

3. On day number THREE, (Flash 3 fingers for me) the THIRD day of school, Sammy, Sally, & Susie spied 3 triangles. A triangle has 3 sides. Can you spy them too? To make a triangle we go down the slide with our Yippee Skippee! Wheee! Yay for the number 3!

4. On day number FOUR, (Flash 4 fingers for me) the FOURTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, and Sarah, spy 4 squares. A square has 4 sides. All the sides are the same size. Can you spy the 4 squares? Can you see the equal sides? Be careful for those sneaky rectangles. Their sides are not the

same. Let's write the number 4 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right.

5. On day number FIVE, (Flash 5 fingers for me) the FIFTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, and Sasha, spy five circles. Let'sssss make a circle with our Yippee Skippee. We start at the TOP and go DOWN and AROUND. We can make small ones, medium ones, large ones and really really giant ones! I like making circles don't you? Let's write the number 5 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5!

6. On day number SIX, (Flash 6 fingers for me) the SIXTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, and Savannah, spy 6 straight sticks. The number 6 is sneaky. Sneaky 6 has a fraternal twin named 9. They like to trick us, so to tell them apart I say this rhyme: "The circle sits on the six!" If the circle is not sitting, then it is that sneaky number 9 trying to trick me. Let's write the number 6 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5-6!

7. On day number SEVEN (Flash 7 fingers for me) the SEVENTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, and Stanley spy 7 _____. What do you think they spied? What group of seven can you spy in your room?

Let's write the number 7 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5-6-7! We've been in school 7 days. That makes a whole WEEK.

8. On day number EIGHT (Flash 8 fingers for me) the EIGHTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, and Stacy spy 8 spiders. Spiders have 8 legs. One of the spiders is on an octopus. An octopus has 8 legs too. Another spider is on an octagon. An octagon has 8 sides. Is there something with 8 legs or sides in your room?

Let's write the number 8 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8!

9. On day number NINE (Flash 9 fingers for me) the NINTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, and Steve, spy 9 _____.

Remember the sneaky number 6. Remember I told you she had a fraternal twin that was also sneaky, and that both of them try to trick us? Well here she is, and thissssss is the rhyme I ssssssay to make sure: "Is the circle on the line? No! Then it must be a 9." Is there something in your room that you have 9 things that are exactly the same of? What group or set of 9 can you spy in your room? Let's write the number 9 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9!

10. On day number TEN (Flash 10 fingers for me) the TENTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy 10 _____. Name a group of 10 things in your room. My students can count to 10 in Spanish. Can you? My students can count from 10 to 0 can you? We like "Blasting Off!" Ask your teacher if you can count backwards and blast off with me. Here we go-go-go! 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1-0! Blasssssst Off! Let's write the number 10 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10! Wow we've been in school 10 whole days!

11. On day number ELEVEN, the ELEVENTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy 11 _____. What did you spy? How fast can you count to 11? Let's write the number 11 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11!

12. On day number TWELVE, the TWELTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy a clock! The clock has 12 numbers on it. How many clocks are in your room? Let's write the number 12 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12!

13. On day number THIRTEEN, the THIRTEENTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy a _____. Let's write the number 13 with our Yippie Skippees. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right. Let's count the days 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13!

14-23 repeat the same line.

24. On day number TWENTY-FOUR the TWENTY FOURTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy 24 colored crayons in a crayon box. Let's write the number 24 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down. We start at the left and go right.

24-29 repeat the same line.

30. On day number THIRTY, the THIRTITH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy a calendar. Some months have 30 days in it. Do you spy a calendar? How many days are in this month's calendar? What month are you in right now? Wow! We've been in school 30 days! That's a whole month! We must be very smart. At least I am. Are you too? Show me. Let's count to 30. Ready? Here we go! 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30! Excellent! You really are getting smarter! Goody goody for you!

31-35 repeat the same line.

36. On day number THIRTY-SIX the THIRTY SIXTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy a yardstick! It has 36 inches on it. Sammy wishes that he would grow to 36 inches long! He won't he's just a friendly garden variety type of snake. Do you have a yardstick in your room? Do you spy anything in your classroom that is LONGER than the yardstick that is 36 inches long? Let's make the number 36 with our Yippee Skippee. Let's count the days we've been in school 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36!

37-98 repeat the same line.

To go with this counting activity I also incorporate the following:

99. On day number NINTY NINE the NINTITH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy a _____. Let's make the number 99 with our Yippee Skippee. Let's count the days we've been in school. 1-2-3... Wow! Tomorrow is 100

Day! Are you going to celebrate in a special way? How will you celebrate?
Sammy feels very special. May he visssssit your classssss?

100. On day number ONE HUNDRED the ONE HUNDREDTH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy children CELEBRATING! Hip-Hip-Hooray! You've been in school !00 Days! We're sssssso proud of you! Zippididy doo! Let's write 100 with our Yippee Skippee's. We start at the top and go down; we start at the left and go right. Let's count to 100 we're almost through!
1-2-3-come on count with me....

101. On day number ONE HUNDRED AND ONE the ONE HUNDRED AND ONETH day of school, Sammy, Sally, Susie, Sarah, Sasha, Savannah, Stanley, Stacy, Steve, and Stephanie spy SPOTS and dots and Dalmatian dogs! Let's right the number 101.

101 and our book is done. We hope you've had a lot of fun! Let's count one more time before we're through, and then we'll say good-bye to you. ☺

