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# Kitten Play

By Katie Clark

Seth saw the kitten pounce on a ball.  
Kitten play looked like lots of fun!

"Meow!" said the kitten.

"Meow!" said Seth.

Grams stood at the dryer folding laundry.  
Kitten batted at a sock in the basket.

"Meow," the kitten said.

Then Seth batted at a sock on the bed. "Meow," Seth said.

"Are you helping with the laundry?" Grams said. "I have two very nice kitties helping me! Would you like a treat?"

She gave the kitten some catnip and she gave Seth some peanut butter crackers. The kitten ran outside. Seth ran outside, too.

The kitten chased a dragonfly through the air.

**SPLAT!**

Mud dripped from the kitten's paws and belly and tail.

Seth jumped after the dragonfly, too.

**SPLAT!**

Mud dripped from Seth's shirt and hat.

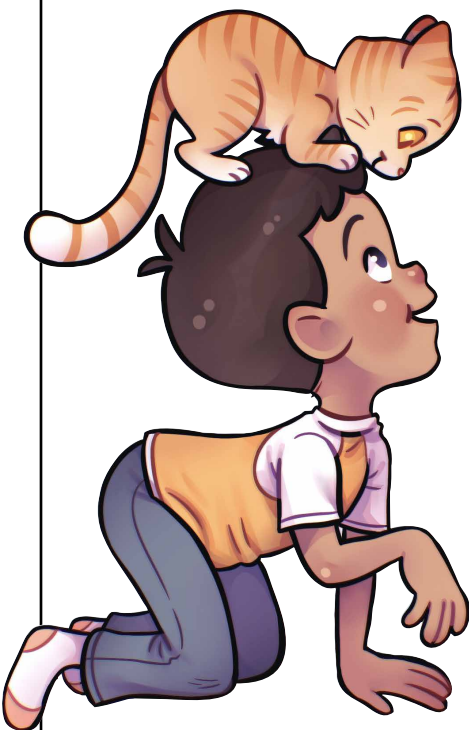
Pop stood at the tree, picking apples from the branches. He saw the kitten and Seth fall in the mud.

"It looks like our kittens need to take baths."

After they were both clean, Seth and the kitten sat on Grams' bed drying off. Seth's tummy growled.

"It's almost noon. Would you like some lunch?" Grams asked.

"Meow!" Seth said. He and Grams fixed his favorite kitty treat—fish sticks! He gobbled them up and yawned. Maybe it was time for a cat nap. Being a kitten was hard work.



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- a. outside
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4. Name two foods that Seth eats in this story.

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| 2. laundry   | • | • large, colorful insect          |
| 3. gobbled   | • | • twelve o'clock in the afternoon |
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| 5. dragonfly | • | • clothes that have been washed   |
| 6. meow      | • | • ate fast                        |

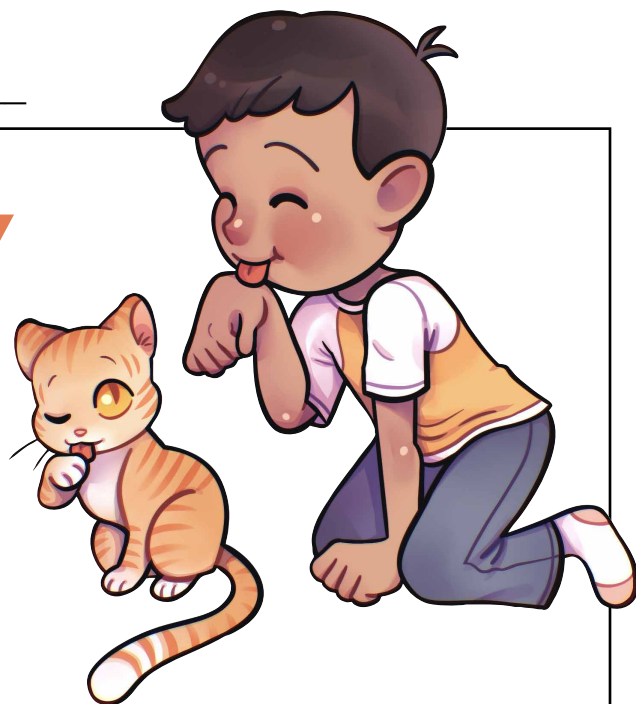
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In the story, "Kitten Play," Seth pretends he's a kitten.

Write a paragraph that tells some of the things kittens like to do.



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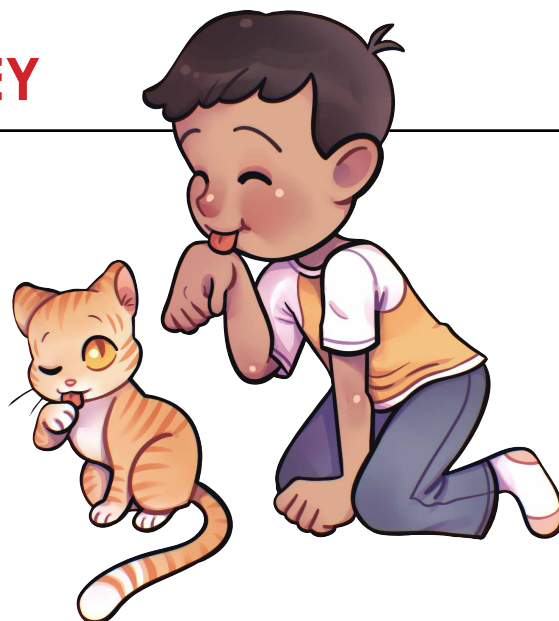
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