READ, CLAP, AND RHYME

Toto Turtle and the Slow Parade

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Read the words together, clap a gentle beat, or make up your own tune.

Print on US Letter at actual size, or choose Fit for A4. Use single-sided printing for activity cards. Black-and-white printing is suitable.

Intro

Flags are high, the hoof beats play.

Garden friends begin parade.

Verse 1

Zip ran fast with colors bright.

Pippa trotted out of sight.

Toto walked with short, slow feet.

Soon he could not hear the beat.

Chorus

Step, step, pause, together pace.

Keep each friend inside the race.

Getting there is not the prize.

Staying close makes happy eyes.

Verse 2

Pippa stopped and looked behind.

"Toto's missing from our line."

Zip came back and said, "We're sorry.

We will match your steps, no hurry."

Keep the rhyme going

Chorus

Step, step, pause, together pace.
Keep each friend inside the race.
Getting there is not the prize.
Staying close makes happy eyes.

Bridge

Toto chose the gentle beat.
Pippa matched it with her feet.
Zip waved colors side to side.
More friends joined the happy line.

Final Chorus

Step, step, pause, together pace.
Butterflies flew by their place.
At the oak they cheered as one.
No one asked who first had won.

Outro

Slow parade beneath the tree,
Every friend where they should be.

Make the rhyme your own

Draw a favorite moment from the rhyme. Tell someone about your picture.

A word or line I like