



PodPack

Hedgehog Cake

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Welcome to the
Kids' Poetry Club
PodPack on

Hedgehogs
and
Cake!



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Activity 1: Learn About Hedgehogs

In the episode, Queenie and Chicken learn about hedgehogs from a useful guide and its useful ten tips for encouraging hedgehogs in your neighborhood. You can check out the guide yourself by visiting <https://www.kidspoetryclub.com/episode-35>. Once you've read it, think about all of the animals that visit your garden, and what steps you can take to make the garden more welcoming to all of them. Write down your action plan in the space below.

Activity 2: A Drawing

In the episode, Queenie makes a cake that looks like a hedgehog, which definitely wasn't suitable for actually feeding to a hedgehog. In fact, it probably wasn't edible at all given that it was made with a bath sponge and two tennis balls! Even so, it's fun to think about creative cakes for birthday parties and other celebrations. Think about what exciting cake you would like at your next birthday, and then draw it below.



Activity 3: Food Idioms

In the episode, Little Dazzy Donuts reads a poem about how cleaning a bedroom is a “piece of cake”. There are a lot of idioms about food. Here are eight of them - but, can you match the words on the right with those on the left to recreate the idioms? You can check your answers at the bottom of page 7.

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| 1. A smart | A. ... cheese |
| 2. A bad | B. ... cakes |
| 3. The big | C. ... potato |
| 4. Bring home the | D. ... cucumber |
| 5. Cool as a | E. ... cookie |
| 6. Sell like hot | F. ... bacon |
| 7. In a | G. ... egg |
| 8. A couch | H. ... pickle |

Activity 4: A Poem To Read



“Full of Beans”

On reflection, I really over-did it,
as I'm now so full of beans.
I ate them, and ate them, and ate them,
plus they're all over my shirt and my jeans.
The first course was a plate full of baked beans.
The second was pinto and black.
The third course was garbanzo and navy.
By the fourth course, there was no going back
as I shoveled down spoonfuls of refried
beans warmed up, and with cheese.
Then, for dessert, I ate kidney bean brownies.
At which point, I dropped to my knees.
Now I find myself here at the doctor's,
strapped to beeping machines,
while nurses all stand back awaiting
the moment I just spill the beans!

Answers to Activity 3:

1E; 2G; 3A; 4F; 5D; 6B; 7H; 8C.



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