



# Invitations



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"Have you been given an invitation? What was it like? An invitation to a party is usually written on a card or letter so that you will know exactly where and when it will be. What would happen if you couldn't remember the time or the place?"



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- Use Teacher Talk to stimulate discussion.
- Retell and/or act out the story following the sequence.
- Identify silent initial letters: **hour who know**
- Notice alliteration: **long, lonely Max Monkey**
- Understand spelling rule: **parties hungrier**
- Identify soft g sound: **message Giraffe**
- Notice soft c sound: **exciting nice place**
- Use visual discrimination: **know/knew thought/through**
- Promote writing and art as creative follow-up activities.
- Expand vocabulary with rhymes, suffixes, etc (back cover).

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Parrot was feeling bored. "Nothing exciting ever happens," he grumbled to himself. "Every day is the same. I just eat berries, fly through treetops, and clean my wings. I wish something different would happen." Parrot thought hard until he had a good idea.



He flew quickly to tell his plan to his friend Max Monkey. "I have a message to tell you," said Parrot to Max Monkey. "We are going to have a party for all the animals in the jungle. There will be games and tricks and delicious food for everyone."

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