

**Parent/Child Activity**  
**Ty's One-man Band**  
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Enjoy reading with your child! It is a great way for children to learn expression and language patterns and provides a wonderful bonding opportunity for you and your child.

Before you begin Ty's One-man Band, look at the cover and discuss with you child what they think the story might be about.

When you finish reading the book, ask these questions—

- Which character did you like best? Why?
- What part of the book was your favorite?
- Could this book have ended in a different way?
- Would you tell your friend to read this book? Why or why not?

**After Reading Activities**

Children love to make music. Look for things around your house that you could use for instruments and have your own band. An example of this might be two pot lids for cymbals or blowing into bottles filled with various amounts of liquids to make different tones.

Try juggling. You could use tennis balls, oranges, or what ever you can find around your house.