**Beeckle**

Author: Dan Santat

This is a great book for children three to five years old.

**Page: Cover**

Highlight the title of the book by running your finger under the print. Ask what they think the book is about and talk about what is happening in the picture.

**Page: 7-8**

Say “I am thinking that this imaginary friend is tired of waiting and is going to do something. I wonder what he is going to do.” Collect several responses. Turn the page and read.

**Page: 10**

Ask the children if they know what ‘unimaginable’ means. Collect their responses, then define the word “Unimaginable means an idea so new or different that no one has ever thought of it before.” Use ‘unimaginable’ in a sentence relating it to the children’s experiences (e.g., “Having a birthday cake as big as an elephant is unimaginable.”

**Page: 19**

Ask the children why they think the imaginary friend had a good feeling about this place. Give them lots of opportunity to give answers.

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Point out the speech bubbles. Explain that the bubbles mean that someone is speaking. Talk about the fact that Beeckle gets a name.

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