

Llama Destroys the World

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Synopsis: Eating too much pie causes Llama to rip his dancing pants, opening a black hole and threatening the entire universe.

Suggested Reading Date: Nov. 26th – Cake Day; Jan. 2nd – Science Fiction Day; Jan. 23rd or Mar. 14th – Pie Day; Apr. 29th – International Dance Day; May 1st – Space Day

Activity Descriptions:

- STEM connection – learn about black holes and sound waves or “cosmic vibrations”
- “Llama is a llama of science” – discuss what does that mean? Scientists use the scientific method. What was the llama’s process?
- Learn about llamas from books, databases, or online research
- List the sequence of events in the story by day - discuss days of the week
- Discuss cause and effect in the story and give other examples
- Discuss self-control and nutrition – don’t eat too much cake!,
- Ask, “If you could eat all of something, what would you eat?”
- Discuss mistakes and consequences
- Discuss that sometimes you can’t go around something, you just need to get through it.
- Have students draw their dancing pants or share their dance moves.

Related Websites:

- Author Website: <https://www.jonathanstutzman.com/>
- Illustrator’s Website: <https://www.adoodlefox.com/>
- Monica Sands’ Read Aloud: <https://youtu.be/sVkJvavY7PU>
- Stutz & Fox Books website includes activity pages & video trailer: <https://stutzandfoxbooks.com/books/llama-destroys-the-world/>
- Videos explaining black holes: (16 min. long) https://youtu.be/y8ymU_UBD3I
(3+ min. long) <https://youtu.be/X4fcI4PMvwg>
- Black Hole Song Video: <https://youtu.be/EMXpF6AECC8>
- Peru - Land of the Llamas Video: <https://youtu.be/pB0EMtupPsc>
- Ellie Explorer Learns All About Llamas (& colors) - Video for the younger students: <https://youtu.be/fKzFEDPmd4k>
- 5 Things You Didn’t Know About Llamas: <https://youtu.be/AQLs36FT8Sg>

Text to Text Connections:

The Epic Adventures of Huggie & Stick by Drew Daywalt

Llama, Llama Red Pajama by Anna Dewdney

The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

Fat Cat by Margaret Read MacDonald

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