

## Book 4: The Big Pit

### Curriculum Extension Activities

1. Retell the story using drama. The children could draw the animal faces on construction paper, cut them out, and then staple them to a strip of tag board. The children could draw the props used in the story on construction paper.
2. Ask the children to think about people who have helped them solve a problem. For example, a child might think, "My friend helped me write my name." In teams of two, have the children act out a problem and a solution.
3. Make a class mural of places animals live. Paint or draw a hole, tree, cage, farm, house, water, etc. The children can draw each of the characters, and other animals in their appropriate habitat.
4. Create a pit mural with the children. Have each child draw a picture of something found in a pit, cut it out, and glue to the mural.

**Short "i" words: big, pit, digs, zig, pig, dig, it, is, in**

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