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Sylvester finds a magic pebble that grants his wishes. When startled by a lion he makes a wish that has unexpected outcomes.

Ages: 4 to 10 years

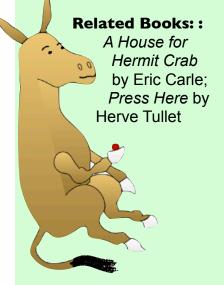
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# Sylvester and the Magic Pebble

What will Sylvester wish for?

**Math Connections:** 

Time Patterns

Cause and Effect

## **Activities To Do Together:**

- Talk about the seasons. What are the names of the seasons? How many seasons are there in a year? How many months in a season? Talk about which season is your favorite and why.
- Look through the book and point out the different seasons. How many went by when Sylvester was a rock.
- Explore what cause and effect is together. For example, when your child kicks a ball (cause), the ball rolls away (effect).
- Ask your child what wish they would make if they found a magic red pebble. Ask what they think the effect of that wish would be.

### **Extension Questions:**

- 1. How many seasons are shown in the book? Do any seasons repeat? How do you know?
- 2. How did Sylvester turn into a rock? Do you think this could really happen? Why or Why not?
- 3. What is something that you could do in one minute? What would take at least an hour to complete? What would require a week to finish? What would require at least a year to complete?

# **Vocabulary for Building Math Concepts:**

billion, down, guessed, hundred, less, mile, one, shape

## **Early Math Project Resources:**

Domino Knock Down: <a href="https://bit.ly/3wprfll">https://bit.ly/3wprfll</a> (English)

Spanish Version Coming Soon!

#### **Online Resources:**

Cause & Effect information and Activities From Children's Library Lady: <a href="http://bit.ly/3mgnFaZ">http://bit.ly/3mgnFaZ</a>

Activities about the four seasons from Buggy and Buddy: <a href="http://bit.ly/34krpEH">http://bit.ly/34krpEH</a>