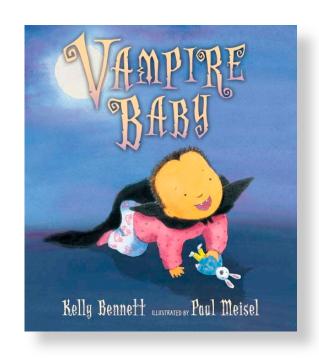
# WAMPIRE BABY Story Hour Kit

Best for Ages 0-7

- \* Libraries
- \* Bookstores
- \* Families
- \* Early Childhood -

Grade 1 Classrooms

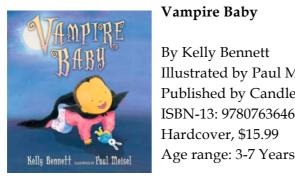


Photograph a "Vampire Baby" with a hilarious assortment of vampire lips (included in this kit) and the vampire baby's favorite library could win a collection of Kelly Bennett picture books!

It is easy for patrons or customers to enter and the baby's privacy is protected!

Picture book author Kelly Bennett will be giving away a collection of books to a randomly entered library every 90 days from Halloween 2013 – Halloween 2014.

### About the Book



### Vampire Baby

By Kelly Bennett Illustrated by Paul Meisel Published by Candlewick Press ISBN-13: 9780763646912 Hardcover, \$15.99

It happens overnight: little sister Tootie goes from cuddly, ga-ga-googoo, I-want-myba-ba baby to...vampire baby. Now she's sinking her pointy fangs into everything furniture, toys, and especially her big brother ("Youch, Tootie! No bite!"). Mom insists that it's just a phase, but Tootie's brother knows better. Just look at her hairline! Or the fact that all her favorite foods are bloodred! With perfect comic timing, Kelly Bennett and Paul Meisel give a fresh slant to the new-baby story, proving that even monstrous little arrivals have a funny way of staking their siblings' affections.

# About the Story Hour Kit / Activity



To play with the book's theme of teething babies and toddlers secretly being vampires, the kit include seven different sets of silly Vampire Baby Lips to cut-out. The lips, placed on an included paper Vampire Baby Lip Stick, can be easily held up in front of a baby, toddler, or child's lips for a funny transformation.

Following the instructions on the Vampire Baby Lip Stick your patrons, customers, and families can snap a picture and email it to Vampire Baby author Kelly Bennett for her blog or Facebook page. The privacy of these vampire babies is completely protected!

Families send the name and location of their favorite library and Kelly Bennett will select a random entered library to receive a collection of her books. A new winner will be drawn every 90 days from Halloween 2013-Halloween 2014. So feel free to keep distributing the Vampire Baby Lips as long as you like!

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### About the Author & Illustrator

Kelly Bennett is the author of many books for children, including the award-winning Not Norman: A Goldfish Story. "Picture books are like icebergs," she notes, "so much of what goes on goes unseen." And revising picture book text is a lot like carving an ice sculpture. "I start with a big, messy jumble of words, pages of words, blocks of words, and just start chipping away. When I'm finished, I hope what's left is as pure and simply stated as I can write it." Explore Kelly's books at www.kellybennett.com.



**Paul Meisel** is the illustrator of **Harriet's Had Enough!** by Elissa Haden Guest, **What's the Matter in Mr. Whiskers' Room?** by Michael Elsohn Ross, **Dear Baby** by Sarah Sullivan, and many other books, including the Theodor Seuss Geisel Honorwinning **See Me Run**. Explore Paul's books at www.paulmeisel.com.

## Vampire Baby Story Hour

### What You Might Prepare - One Month in Advance of the Event

Locate a copy of the picture book <b>Vampire Baby</b> by Kelly Bennett and illustrated by Paul Meisel (Candlewick Press).
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If you are doing an event for the public, copy and display the Story Hour Poster in this kit, hand it out in your community, and include it in a display.
If you are doing an event for the public, list the event in newsletters and online calendars with copy such as:

*Youch! No Bite!* Did you ever suspect a teething baby or toddler of vampirism? The big brother in the hilarious picture book **Vampire Baby** by Kelly Bennett and illustrated by Paul Meisel (Candlewick Press) sees the signs in his very own baby sister!

We will enjoy a reading and then transform ourselves into Vampire Babies with a quick costume change! If you snap a photo of your Vampire Baby, your favorite library could win books from the author! All ages welcome, but best for ages 0-7.

# **Vampire Baby:** A Story Hour Kit for Libraries, Bookstores, Early Childhood-Grade 1 Classrooms, & Families \_\_\_ Review your photo policy. Can you take pictures of "Vampire Babies" and share them for the contest and/or on your social networks? No worries if you cannot, the contest allows for individuals to submit their own pictures and enter their favorite library to win books. \_ (Optional) To increase the fun, locate a vampire cape for yourself to wear during story hour. \_\_\_ (Optional) To increase the fun, locate a few child's vampire capes for the babies or toddlers to wear in their Vampire Baby photos \_\_\_\_ (Optional) To increase the fun, locate sets of plastic vampire teeth for the adults at your event. And/or make apple slice fangs for all ages of vampire. (Directions can be found in the Vampire Baby Teaching Guide downloadable from Kelly's website, www.kellybennett.com.) What You Might Prepare - A Week or Two in Advance of the Event \_ Print out the included Vampire Baby Lips sheet and then cut out the individual lips. You will want lips for each anticipated participant. (If you have older kids, you might want to consider printing out the included blank lips to color.) \_\_\_ Print out the included Vampire Baby Lip Stick sheet and then cut out the individual sticks. You will want a "lip stick" for each anticipated participant. \_ Fold the Vampire Baby Lip Sticks in half length-wise and attach lips with glue stick. Locate a cup to display and/or hand around the lips at the event. **Option:** Display the cup of lips before or after the event for families or kids to take away. Each resulting photo is an entry to the contest and the contest runs until

\_\_\_ Print "The No Bite" Song sheet for each anticipated participant or enough for each family group. It is a fun takeaway even if you do not have time to lead the song

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during your event.

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### What You Might Do – The Day of the Event

Meisel (Candlewick Press) aloud to the gathered children.
Distribute the lyrics and lead "The No Bite" Song (Optional).
Transition to the Vampire Lips activity with an announcement like:
"I am now going to magically transform you all into Vampire Babies!"
Hand around the cup of lips and ask each family or participant to take a pair of vampire lips.
Explain the contest with an announcement like:

"If you snap a picture of your Vampire Baby and send it to the author Kelly Bennett by email or via her Facebook page, your favorite library could win a collection of her books! The directions are on the handle of your Vampire Baby Lips.

Know that sending a photo implies your consent for author Kelly Bennett to use it on her blog and Facebook page. She will not, however, share the name or location of your vampire baby. Help her with that by NOT sharing your baby's name or location—just his or her favorite library!

The contest runs for a year with Kelly Bennett choosing a random library every 90 days to receive a collection of her books.

\_\_\_ (Optional) If your photo policy allows it, set up a Vampire Baby photo booth and snap pictures of your patrons, customers, or families holding up the lips and a

copy of the book **Vampire Baby**. You can submit all the photos on behalf of a library.

To increase the fun, locate other vampire costume elements for the kids and adults like capes and plastic teeth for adults.

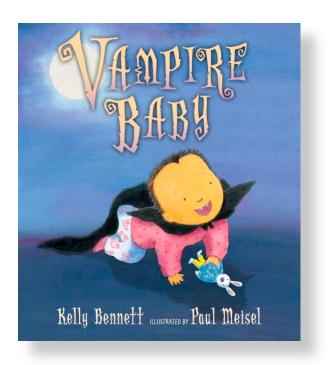
### And remember: No Biting!



Could your teething baby or toddler be a vampire??!!

# WAMPIRE BABY STORY HOUR

Join us for a reading of VAMPIRE BABY and play vampire with a silly takeaway costume change.



WHEN:

WHERE:

All ages welcome, but best for ages 0-7.

# The No Bite! Song

Created by Barb Crispin and author Kelly Bennett to accompany a reading of Bennett's picture book VAMPIRE BABY, illustrated by Paul Meisel (Candlewick Press). Images © Paul Meisel. Words © Kelly Bennett.

### Actions:

Everyone shakes their fingers in time with "No!" Everyone points to his/herself on "ME!"

### Lyrics:

You can bite an apple.
You can bite a flea.
You can bite the newspaper.
But you can't bite me.
No-no! No-no! No-no! NO!
You can't... Bite. .. ME!

You can bite an ice cream.
You can bite a tree.
You can bite a bike tire
But you can't bite me.
No-no! No-no! No-no! NO!
You can't... Bite... ME!

You can bite a pickle
You can bite a Tee-Vee.
You can bite the dog's toy.
But you can't bite me!
No-no! No-no! No-no! NO!
You can't... Bite... ME!

You can bite a sour lemon,
Or a bright green pea.
You can even bite a giant shark swimming in the sea.
[Action: Say, "Argh!" and make bite action!]
Bite all these things./ Bite them with glee!

No-no! No-no! No-no! NO! You can't... Bite... ME! NO BITE!

...But ...

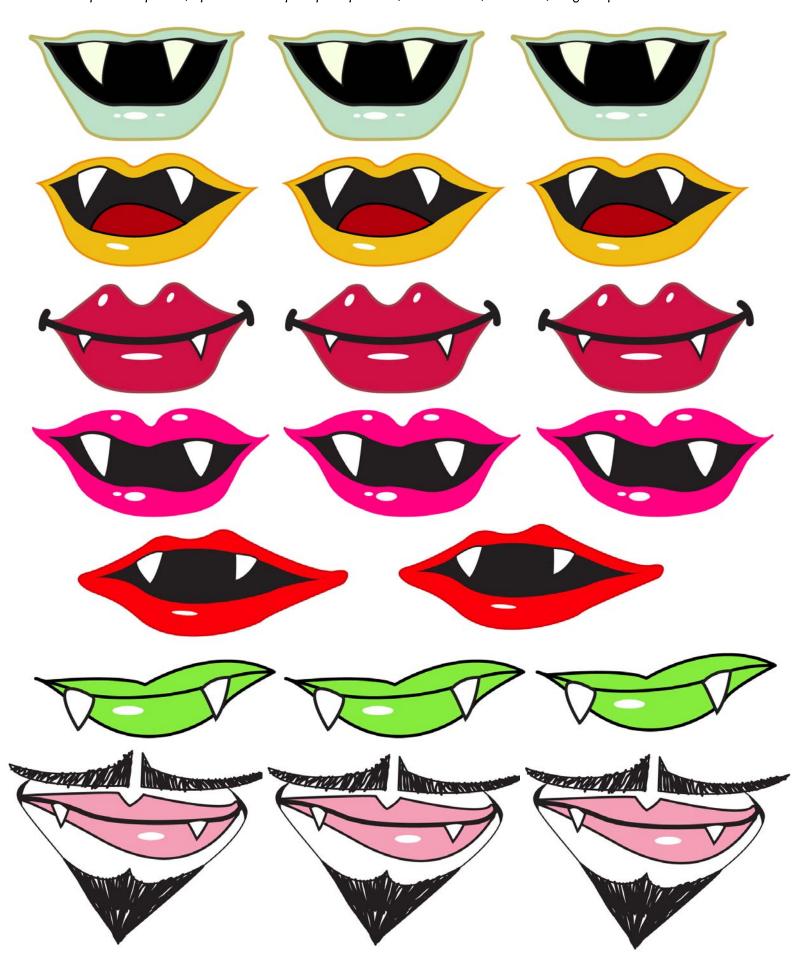






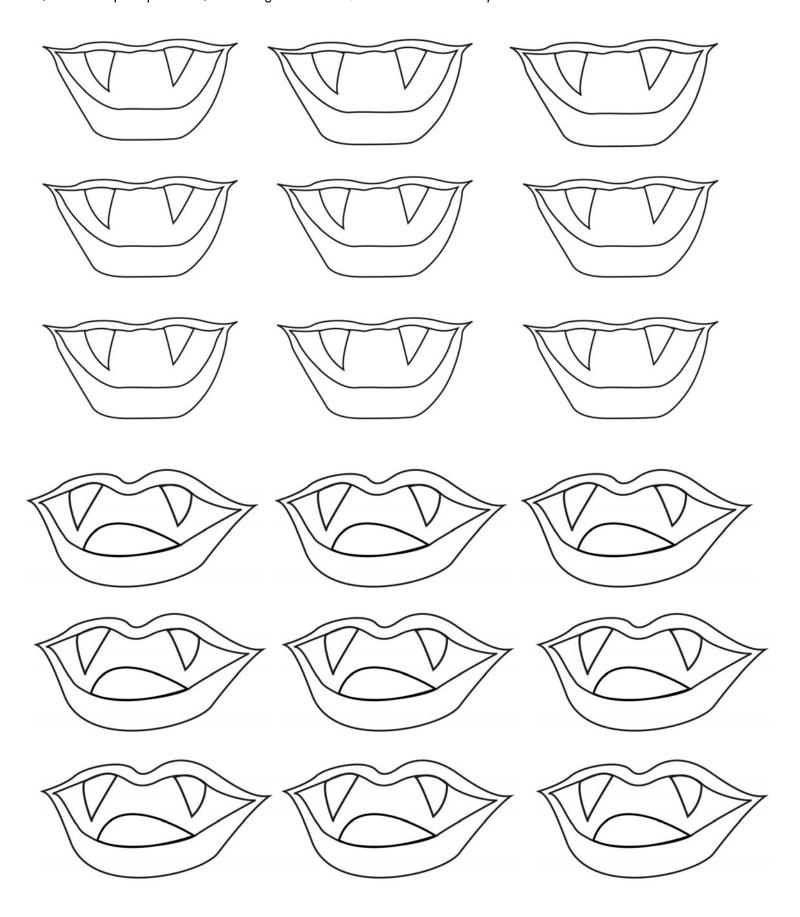
# Vampire Baby Lips

Cut out the pair of Vampire Baby Lips for each anticipated participant. They look best when you cut closely along the lips' outline.



# Vampire Baby Lips To Color

If you have older participants that you think might want to color, have some of these blank lips available.



# Vampire Baby Lip Stick

Cut out a Vampire Baby Lip Stick for each anticipated participant. Fold the Vampire Baby Lip Stick vertically. Paste lip to top of the stick!

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Assemble your own Vampire Baby Lips by affixing a pair of "vampire lips" (r) to the "vampire lip stick" (I). Snap a photo of the lips in front of your favorite child! If you send the photo using the instructions on the "vampire lip stick," your favorite library could win books from author Kelly Bennett! The privacy of your Vampire Baby is protected!

## Vampire Lip Stick



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Facebook "Kelly Bennett Books" or e-mail kelly@ kellybennett.com your photo, noting your favorite library's name, city, and state.

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Free Books
for a Library

Send author
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picture of your
'Vampire Baby'
and your library
will be entered
to win a collection of her books!

# Vampire Lips



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