



INTRODUCTION AND PARTY INVITATIONS

The *Wonder Pets!*TM is one of the most popular children's shows on *Nickelodeon* and *Noggin*. The adventures revolve around three small pets, Linny the Guinea Pig, Ming-Ming Duckling, and Turtle Tuck, who live in a classroom and travel around the globe to save other pets each day. If your child loves the show and small animals, as well as adventures that take teamwork to undertake, this is a perfect show to build party inspiration.

Create an invitation in the shape of the *Wonder Pets!*, a turtle, a duck, and/or a guinea pig. You can either use Clip Art for the characters or find real pictures of these animals and paste on the front of your invitation card.

Use the *Wonder Pets!* famous phrase on the front of the invitation:

What's gonna work? Teamwork!

On the inside of the invitation card, write: *Help the Wonder Pets! save the Birthday Party!*

DECORATIONS

The *Wonder Pets!* always opens with the *Wonder Pets!* in their cages/aquarium at the schoolhouse. Decorate your party area to look like a schoolhouse:

Set up an art easel

Set up a reading area with a couple of books about guinea pigs, ducks, and turtles
Make a sign about what the weather is like today and a calendar marking what the day is today

Write up letter charts with capital and lower case letters and place them on the walls

Place pencil holders and other desk accessories around the tables of the room

Since the pets on the show live in a classroom and in cages, create a hamster cage as an added decoration. Use streamers as sawdust on the floor, while you use construction paper for the cage bars on the windows and doors. If you have the time, gather enough cardboard to construct a wheel to add to the overall look.



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The *Wonder Pets!* show is filled with bright colors and animals. Set your table with your child's favorite colors. Tie matching balloons on the backs of the chairs. For a centerpiece, use a stuffed guinea pig, and/or a yellow duckling, and/or a turtle and attach balloons to these stuffed animals.

Scatter crayons and markers around the party table that the kids can use during the party to color on their cups and napkins.

GAMES AND ACTIVITIES

When the party guests arrive, ask them to choose their favorite pet and dress up like it with masks. Provide paper plates and various craft supplies for the kids to make their masks that turn them into rabbits, cats, gerbils, dogs, and more for the party.

When a pet is in trouble, the animal calls the *Wonder Pets!* with a phone, which is a pencil cup holder. Create your own phones using tin cans.

- Two tin cans per guest (washed and dried)
- Masking or electrical tape
- Nail
- String
- Construction paper
- Colored markers, crayons, glitter glue (beware the glitter glue!)
- Craft glue (optional)

Before the party, cover the cut end of the two tin cans with masking tape or electrical tape. Make a hole in the bottom of each can with the hammer and nail. Have your guests thread one end of the string through the hole in one tin can and tie a knot. Do the same for the other can. Cover the tin cans with pieces of construction paper and use the tape to secure. Kids can write their names on the cans and decorate with colored markers, crayons, and/or glitter glue.

Once all of your guests have arrived, ask someone to call your phone and let it ring.

Then sing:

*The phone, the phone is ringing...
The phone — we'll be right there —
The phone, the phone is ringing...*

*There's a birthday party going on...
There's a birthday party going on...
There's a birthday party going on right here!*



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The children can pick up their tin can phones to answer the call for help.

Provide each child with a *Wonder Pets!* cape to wear on the rescue missions.

Play **Save the Animals** and make sure that all of the activities are done together with teamwork.

Search the trees to save an animal. Either use small bushy trees in your yard and hide various stuffed and wind-up animals or create your own using a large cardboard box. Cover the box with brown paper and cut different size strips of various shades of green construction paper to make the branches. Hide the stuffed animals in your tree for the kids to rescue.

Fill your bathtub full of water, and place small plastic animals in the water. The kids must get them out of the water quick. Make sure to place numbers on the bottoms of these toys that correlate to a prize that they will win.

The puppies have lost their bones! Have the kids go on a scavenger hunt to find the bones in the party room. (Use small dog bones and see who collects the most.) Offer dog-bone cookies to the kids as a treat to end this game.

Have the kids make their own flyboat based on items in the school classroom, just like the *Wonder Pets!* Use a Frisbee® for the body, magic marker caps for the rocket exhausts, a marble, wheels, and a sheet of paper for the sail. Make one or more of these and allow the kids to free play with them.

PARTY MENU

The *Wonder Pets!* always finish a successfully completed mission with celery, so serve some form of celery at your party. Fill your celery with cream cheese and/or peanut butter for a great snack.

Ants on a Log, add raisins to the cream cheese in the celery.

Use animal **cookie cutters** to create a thematic menu of bite-sized sandwiches, cheese slices, fruits, and Jell-O Jigglers® for the kids to enjoy.

Alternatively, serve chicken nuggets in the shapes of animals and/or fish sticks.

Frosted animal crackers.

Guinea Pig Crunch, trail mix with your child's favorite dry nuts and fruits.

Make a *Wonder Pets!* logo cake using a round cake pan and decorating with blue,



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yellow, and a red W to match the logo.

PARTY FAVORS

Using your animal cookie cutters, make oversized cookies and place into colorful cellophane bags tied off with a ribbon for a take-home treat.

Provide a **Flyboat Kit**. In a brown lunch bag, fill it with all of the items needed to make one. These items include: a small Frisbee, marker caps, marble, wheels, and a sheet of paper. Print the kids' names on each bag and top off with tissue paper.

Don't forget to send your guests thank you notes for their *Wonder Pets!* fun presents.



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