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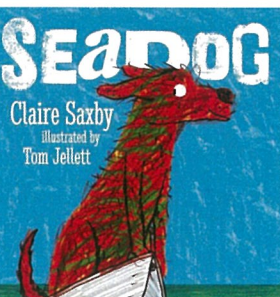
BOOK TIP SHEET



SEADOG

by Claire Saxby

This book is as funny in its topsy turvy words as are the pictures of their fun and curious dog! Find out why this dog is a seadog and not a trick or sit still and sleep dog.



Books that include repetition are comfortable and predictable for young children. By repeating key phrases the child starts to understand that the repeated phrase is important. Many children's books include repetition in various forms. Try and include one in your library picks each week.

BEFORE READING



- * Before reading hold your child close to you and look at the picture on the cover. What kind of animal is that? Do they look happy or sad or cheeky?
- * Talk to your child about dogs that you may know, your own pet or a friend's, what they like to do or something they know about a dog.

WHILE YOU ARE READING



- * As you read along point out the cheeky things their dog is getting up to. Do you know a dog that likes to chase sticks or roll in the sand? Do you know a seadog too?
- * Encourage your child to repeat the phrase 'Our dog is a seadog' after you and then say it with you. This helps your child to be a part of the story and follow the rhythm pattern in the story.

AFTER YOU FINISH READING



- * This is a fun book to share with others and read often. Consider taking it out to share with family or friends and talk about the kinds of dogs you all know.
- * When you are at your local library next time, take the time to look for another book with repetition. Your librarian will be able to help you find one.