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## Book Tip Sheet

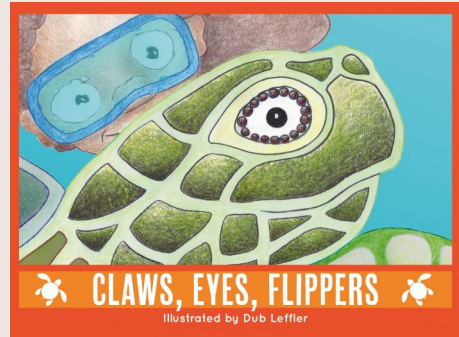
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### ***Claws, Eyes, Flippers***

***Dub Leffler***

This is a beautiful book about animals that have claws, eyes, and flippers. The enjoyable and simple text and illustrations of this book can be the starting point for all sorts of fun and exploration with your baby.



#### **BEFORE READING...**

- ▶ Try sitting with your child in your lap or hold the book in front of them while they lay down.
- ▶ Let them explore the cover of the book—your baby might enjoy looking at the turtle on the cover or reach out to touch the book.
- ▶ Point at the words of the title when you read it.



#### **WHILE READING...**

- ▶ Read the text and then point at the picture, e.g. point out the crab's eyes, saying "look there are the crab's eyes on top of its head".
- ▶ When reading each page you can show your baby the corresponding parts of their body, e.g. squeeze their hand for the crab's claws or kick their legs for the turtle's flippers.



#### **AFTER READING...**

- ▶ Sing nursery rhymes to extend your child's interests in sea animals, e.g. I Had a Little Turtle after reading the book.
- ▶ Plan some water play—you could go to the beach, pool, or simply let your baby play in the bath or splash around in the backyard. Remember it's essential to always stay with your child and watch closely whenever they're near water.



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