

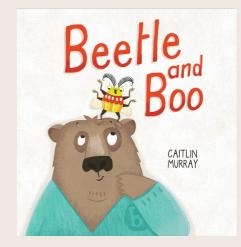




## **Beetle and Boo**

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Join Beetle and Boo, two friends discussing ideas and moments that can be scary. This is a light-hearted book that can help children minimise fears and think differently about things that might scare them. The fun illustrations and cheeky ending make this a great book to share.



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

Find a quiet place to sit and share this story.



- Let your child hold the book, feel the cover and the pages. Help them hold the book open wide enough for you to read the words and see the pictures.
  - Look at the cover, ask your child "Who do you think is Beetle? Who do you think is Boo?"

# WHILE READING...

Pause at each page to look at the illustrations, point out what is happening on each page. Ask your child if they think the pictures look scary or not.



- Try using different voices for Beetle and Boo. Get your child to roar with you when Boo finally scares Beetle.
  - Run your finger under the words to help your child see where the writing is.

## AFTER READING...



- See if your child can remember any of the things Beetle isn't scared of. Turn back through the pages to find the matching pages of what they recall.
- If your child has any fears it can be comforting to read this book and focus on the things they are not afraid of, just like Beetle.
- Can you think of ways to make your child's fears less scary like in the book?

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