



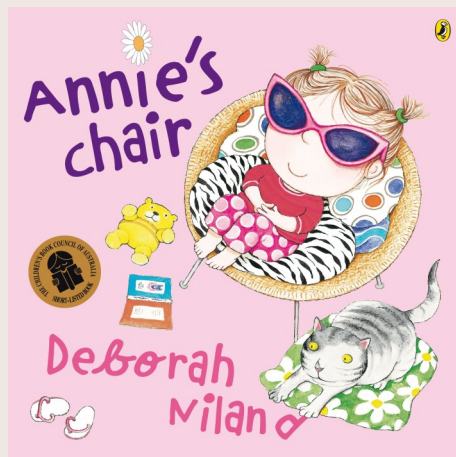
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Book Tip Sheet

Annie's Chair

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This delightful story about stubborn Annie and her special chair is relatable for children and their grown ups! Reading stories like this is a great way to develop children's ability to share, look after each other, and learn how to fix problems themselves.



BEFORE READING...



- Sit with your child and look at Annie on her chair. Talk about her and what you can see about her. Does she look comfortable? Does she look relaxed? Can you tell what her favourite toys are?
- Point to the title as you read it. Ask your child, "what letter does Annie start with?" Praise them if they know it's "A", or tell them and ask them to look for more "A"s as you read the book.

WHILE READING...



- This is an expressive story, so make sure to adjust the tone of your voice to emphasise Annie's delight and sorrow when Benny is in her chair.
- Pictures are a vital part of the reading experience, and these illustrations do a great job of showing how the characters are feeling. Look at expressions on the children's faces and ask your child, "How do you think Annie is feeling?" "Who is sitting in the chair?"

AFTER READING...



- If your child has a special spot you might like to add a blanket or some of their favourite toys to make it more theirs. If not, you might like to make them a special reading spot.
- Have a picnic with your child in a place that is special to you. A local park, botanic gardens or even in your backyard (or lounge room if it is wet outside!). Take this book along with you to read together.

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