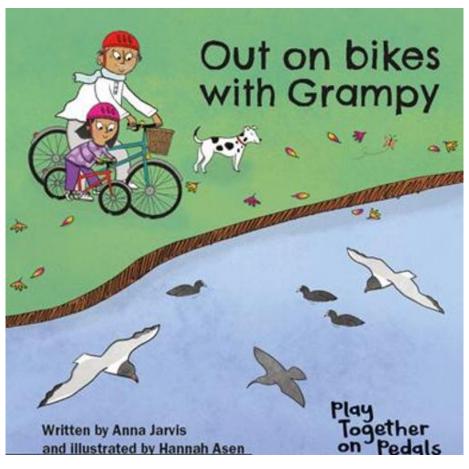


To help you get the best out of the book here are some ideas to talk about when reading aloud with your child. We hope you and your child enjoy reading together!







'Out on bikes with Grampy' by Anna Jarvis

Watch and listen



Before Reading

Look at the picture on the front cover.

- "I wonder what this story is about."
- "Who do you think the child is with?"
- Read the title aloud, "Where do you think the child and their grandpa are going on their bikes?"

During Reading

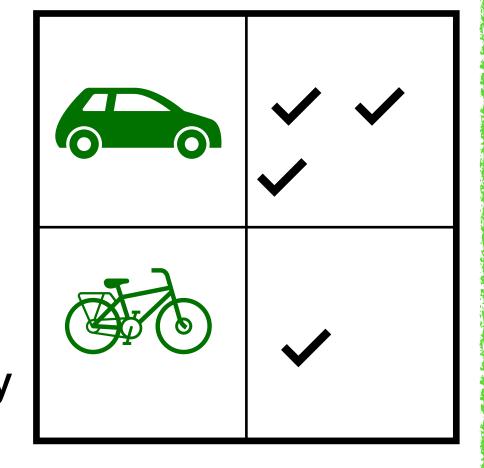
- "I wonder how the child feels when they wobble on their bike."
- "How do you think Grampy feels as he cycles up the hill?"
- "Grampy says, 'If you listen carefully, you might hear the ghost train whistling'. Do you
 think there really is a ghost train in the tunnel? Why/Why not?"
- "The child says, 'I bet all these people wish they were on bikes like we are!' Why do you think they say this?"

After Reading

- "Have you ever wobbled on a bike or a scooter? How did you feel?"
- "I wonder if the child enjoyed going out on their bike with Grampy. What makes you say that?"
- "Where is your favourite place to go and why?"
- "What is your favourite thing to do and why?"

Traffic Survey

- Make a chart; on the left draw different types of vehicles you might see in your local area.
- As you look out your window, or on a walk of your local area, encourage your child to make a mark for each car or bike they see.



Once you've completed your survey, ask some questions about it; "How many cars/bikes did you see?"
"I wonder if there were more cars than bikes. How could we find out?"

Circle Spotting

When you look at the wheels on a bike, what shape can you see?



Did you see a circle?

Go on a local walk or look around your home. What other objects can you find with circles on them?

Traffic Chant



Cars, cars, toot, toot, toot.
Cars, cars, vroom, vroom, vroom.
Cars, cars, clunk, clunk, clunk.
Cars, cars, click, click, click.

Try saying this chant with your child. You might want to make up actions to go with it or make a chant together about bikes.

Twinkle, Twinkle...

Twinkle, twinkle, chocolate bar,
My Dad drives a rusty car.
Start the engine, push the choke,
Off we go in a puff of smoke.
Twinkle, twinkle, chocolate bar,
My Dad drives a rusty car.



