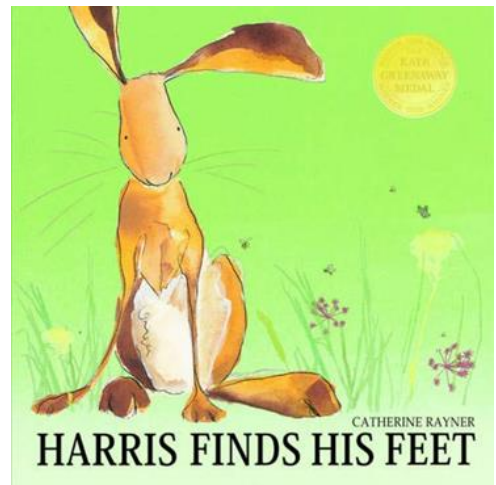


### *Harris Finds His Feet* by Catherine Rayner

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### Shadow Puppet Theatre



#### You will need:

- A shoe box (or similar)
- Pencil
- Craft knife
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- Baking paper
- Sellotape
- 2 wooden skewers
- Thin card
- 2 large paper clips
- A mobile phone with a torch

#### What to do

1. Turn the box upside down and draw a border of 2cm around the base.
2. Ask an adult to cut along the lines, using the ruler and the craft knife. This will create a frame on the base of the box.
3. Attach double-sided tape around the inside of the frame.
4. Cut a rectangle of baking paper to the same size as the shoe box lid and stick it to the inside of the frame.

5. Open up the box, so the base becomes the front of the theatre and the lid becomes the base. Rest your phone against the lid.

6. Draw outlines of Harris and Grandad onto the thin card and cut them out. Attach each character to a skewer using the sellotape.

7. Switch on the torch and move your shadow puppets between the light source and the paper. You are now ready to perform your show!



## LANDSCAPE COLLAGE

Create a landscape collage based on one of the spreads in the book.

### You Will Need:

- Paints
- Plain paper
- Glue
- Scissors
- A pencil
- Paintbrush and sponge

### What to Do

1. Choose which landscape you would like to recreate and mix the different shades for the picture.
2. Start by painting the sky onto a piece of paper. You only need to cover about a third of the paper, as the rest will later be covered by your collage. Use the brush and sponge to create different textures.
3. Next, paint the different colours you have mixed onto different pieces of paper.
4. Once these have dried, carefully tear pieces of paper to create the shapes of the mountains or hillsides.
5. Arrange the pieces of paper in layers beneath the sky. When you are happy with your arrangement, glue them on.
6. Finally, draw and paint Harris, cut out and place him in the picture.





### Further Activities to Try

1. Visit Catherine's website to colour in a picture of Harris and find out how to draw some of her other characters.

<https://www.catherinerayner.co.uk/pages/activities-for-children>

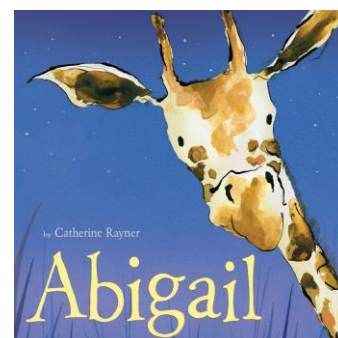
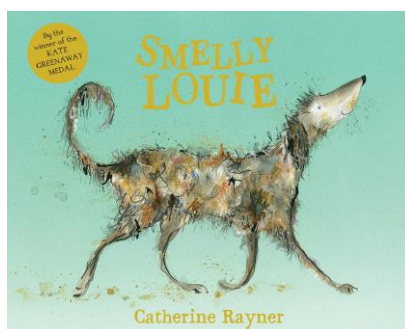
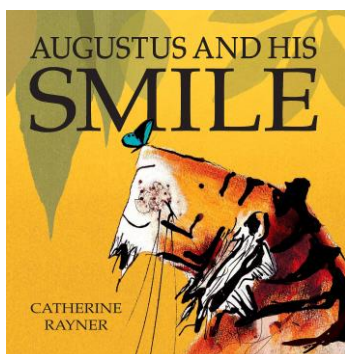
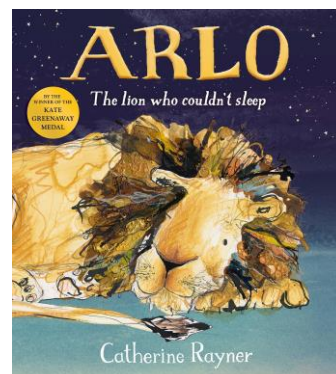
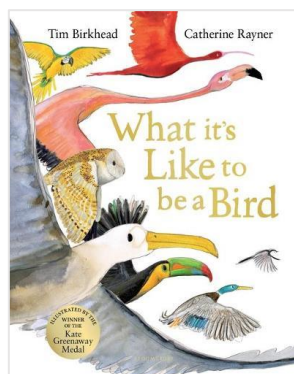
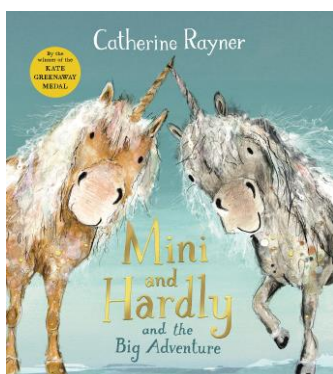
2. Harris Finds His Feet tells the story of the young hare's journey to independence. As well as literally discovering what he can do with his big feet, he 'finds his feet' by becoming confident and independent in the world around him. Write or draw about a time when you 'found your feet' in a new place or situation.

3. Harris learns about the world around him with the help of his Grandad. If your feet could take you anywhere in the world, where would you go and who would you take with you? Imagine you have embarked upon this exciting world adventure. Write a travel diary about what you see, do and discover.

4. Paint your own watercolour portrait of Harris.

5. Retell the story of Harris' journey to independence by drawing a story map to show where Harris and his Grandad go and what they do.

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