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Not Without My Whale



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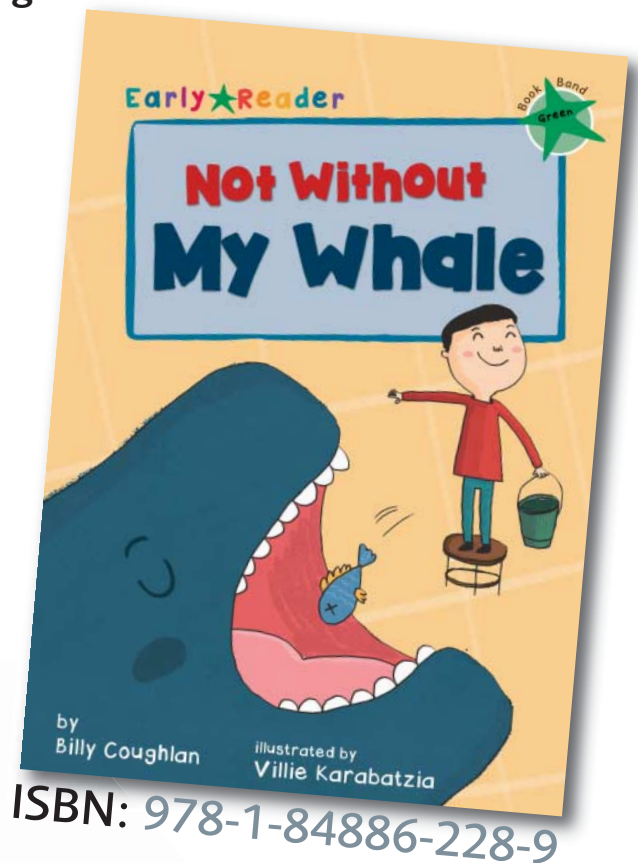
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This learning pack is suitable for teachers using *Not Without My Whale* in the class and parents who want to guide their children's learning.

Not Without My Whale is a funny and sweet story about building self confidence. It's perfect for children who are reluctant to go to school.

This learning pack includes:

- ★ A suggested lesson plan for reading *Not Without My Whale*.
- ★ A detailed list of the language and linguistic features included in the text.
- ★ An activity sheet for children to enjoy after reading *Not Without My Whale*.
- ★ A colouring in sheet.



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Suggested Lesson Plan

Possible Learning Objectives

- ★ To learn about double negatives
- ★ To learn more about adjectives
- ★ To better understand homophones
- ★ To better understand contractions



Possible Lesson Structure

Based on the learning objectives, here is one way you could lead a lesson:

Introduction: Show the book to the children, read the title:

- ★ **Ask:** What is special about the title?
- ★ **Explain:** The title is an example of a double negative. There are two negative words which make a positive.
- ★ **Read:** The story and point out the examples of double negatives.
- ★ **Engage:** Go through the story and ask questions:
 - ★ **Show:** examples of double negatives.
 - ★ **Ask:** What does the sentence mean? How could you rephrase it as a positive, keeping the same meaning?
 - ★ **Explain:** Double negatives are a way of explaining the conditions of your actions.

e.g. I will do this, but only if this criteria is met.

or: You are not wrong.

Take it further:

Go back again and point out instances of:

- ★ Homophones
- ★ Adjectives
- ★ Contractions

An activity sheet (included in this pack) can be used as well.



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Language and Linguistics

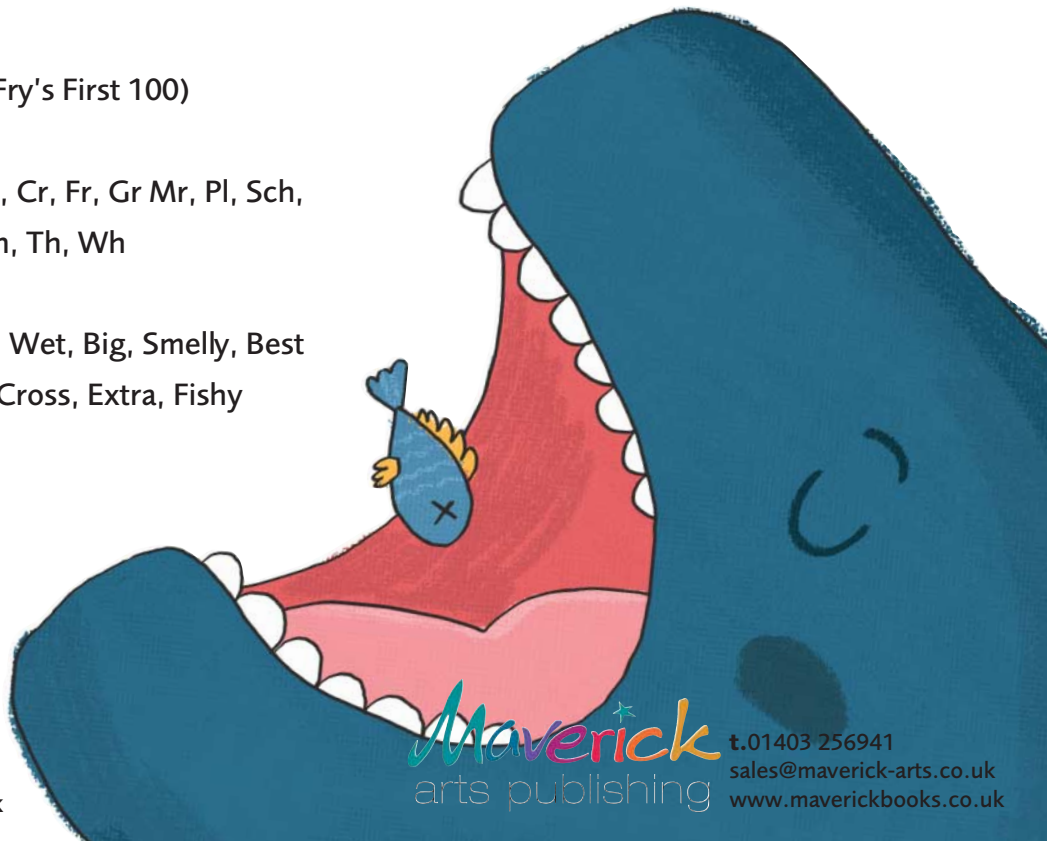


Language features:

- ★ Contractions: It's (it is)
I'm (I am)
Can't (Cannot)
- ★ Homophones: To / Too
- ★ Alliteration: Wibbled, Wobbled
- ★ Possession: Arnold's

Linguistic Features:

- ★ Sight Words: 43% (Fry's First 100)
- ★ Consonant Clusters: Cl, Ch, Cr, Fr, Gr Mr, Pl, Sch, Sm, Sn, Th, Wh
- ★ Adjectives: Noisy, Wet, Big, Smelly, Best New, Cross, Extra, Fishy



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Activity Sheet

Learning objective: To learn about double negatives

Activity: Is the sentence expressing a negative or a positive statement?

Example:

"Not without my whale."



Negative

1.

"I have a plan."

Positive

Negative

2.

"I don't like it."

Positive

Negative

3.

"It's not a bad idea."

Positive

Negative

4.

"I'm not going to school today."

Positive

Negative

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Colouring in

Colour in the whale making bubbles to count!

