

TEACHING NOTES: PURPLE

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SYNOPSIS

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ABOUT THE SERIES

The NEW Book Hungry Bears book collection features topical and imaginative stories used in The Book Hungry Bears TV show. From acceptance of diversity to blended families, this delightful series brings together compelling narrative to engage children in their emotional journey as they make sense of the world around them. These bears LOVE picture books and especially love reading them with each other. Sharing their delight and engagement with the books, they ask each other questions, point to the illustrations and get caught up in the story.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR

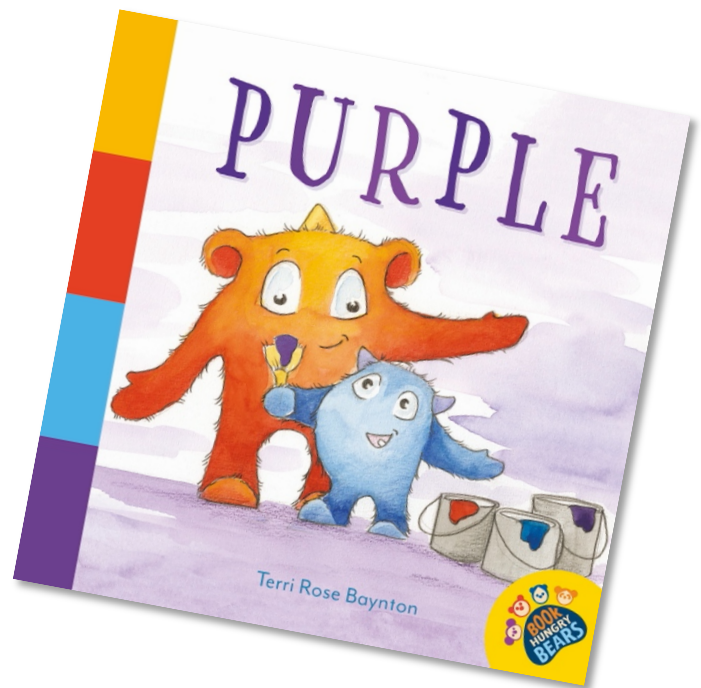
Terri Rose Baynton's first children's book, *Mr Bear Branches and the Cloud Conundrum*, from Harper Collins was shortlisted for the Australian Publishing Awards and the New Zealand Post Book Awards. She has received further awards and nominations for her subsequent books, and in 2020, she won the coveted Charlotte Huck Award for her outstanding contribution to children's fiction. Terri Rose also works as a screenwriter and editor in preschool animation.



Monster One and Monster Two.
She likes red, and he likes blue.

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EDUCATIONAL APPLICABILITY

Purple is a fun tale about two monster friends which shows brilliantly how trying something new can be exciting. It's easy and safe to stick with the familiar, such as favourite colours or favourite foods, and trying something new can be a big challenge. But sometimes, a happy accident and a willingness to try can be VERY rewarding. There's a powerful theme in this story about stepping out of your comfort zone.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

Read the book together, asking questions throughout.

1. Look at the cover of the book together. What do you think the story might be about?
2. Monster Two is painting in blue and Monster One is painting in red. What objects are they painting?
3. What's your favourite colour? What objects are the colour of your favourite colour?
4. Does it matter when a blob of red falls in the blue paint pot? What does Monster Two suggest? Would you suggest the same?
5. The monsters have turned an accident into something positive. Talk about the phrase 'don't cry over spilt milk'.
6. What colour does blue and red make?
7. Talk about other colours. What does yellow and blue make?
8. Name some purple objects.
9. Ask if they think that *Purple* is a good title for the book. What other titles can they think of?
10. What did the children think of the book? If they liked it, why did they like it? What was their favourite part?



PURPLE WORDSEARCH

Find all the words in the *Purple* wordsearch.



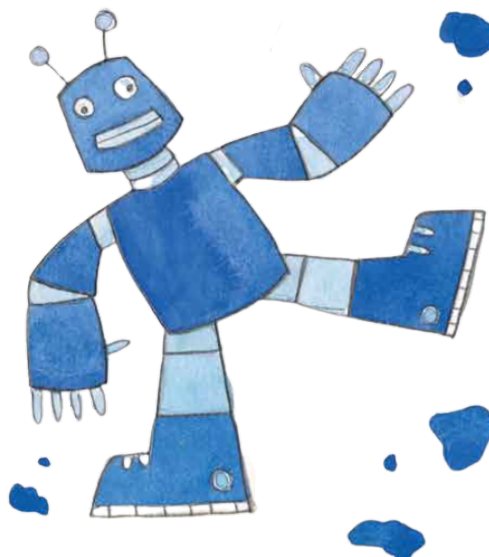
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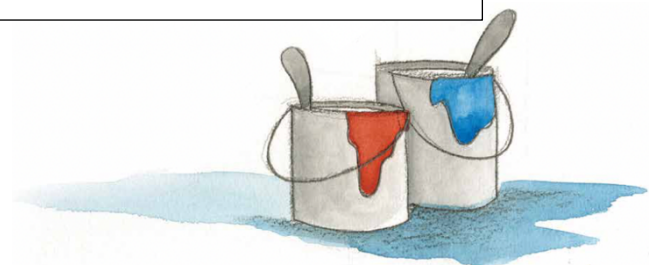
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COLOUR MIX UP

Experiment in the box below by mixing different colours. What colour do yellow and blue make? What colour do white and red make? What colour do yellow and red make? Make up some more colours!



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DRAWING ACTIVITY

Photocopy this page first and give it to your friends. Each choose your favourite colour, then draw and colour all the objects associated with that colour. Who has drawn the most objects? What's the most popular colour?



A large, empty rectangular box intended for drawing and coloring.

