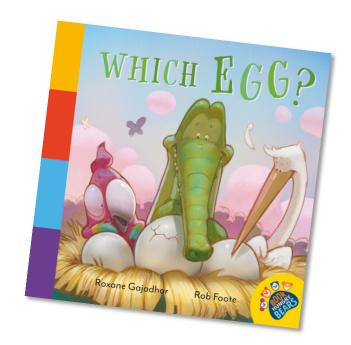
## TEACHING NOTES: WHICH EGG?

Written by Roxane Gajadhar Illustrated by Rob Foote Published by Little Steps Publishing



#### **SYNOPSIS**

What makes a family? There are no rules. Life brings people together in so many different ways. Family are the people you grow up with, and in this whimsical tale, it is the wind that brings one very unusual family together.

#### 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

Roxane Gajadhar is a writer, director and producer with a love of children's literature and passion for kids' TV. She began her writing career as a journalist before moving into film and television production and interactive exhibition design. She also spent five years as director of international marketing for Film New Zealand/The New Zealand Film Commission. Roxane has written for two seasons of animated children's television series 'The Kiddets' for Wellington's Pukeko Pictures, has written and directed animated educational short films for the Life Education Trust (used in mobile classrooms around the country) and numerous interactive films for exhibitions (The Lord of the Rings – The Exhibition, World Expo). She holds a Master's in Creative Writing (screenwriting) from Victoria University's prestigious International Institute of Modern Letters, completed a children's writing workshop with well-known author Kate de Goldi and is currently completing a practical PhD with a focus on transmedia storytelling and immersive technologies (virtual, augmented and mixed reality). In 2018, she wrote her first collaborative novel. She lives in Wellington with her husband, two children, a dog and two cats.

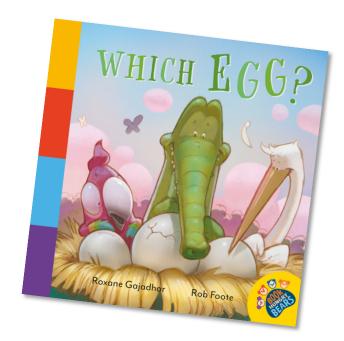
#### ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Artist/illustrator Rob Foote is best known for creating beautiful and humorous work aimed at the young and the young at heart. Some notable clients include The Times, Vodafone, The BBC, Blizzard, Capstone Publishing, Oxford University Press and Macmillan Publishing. He uses both pixels and pencils and has gained a few awards (finalist Golden Baobab Award), (Winner Coca Cola Young Designers' Award) and occasional nods of approval. He is currently living in New Zealand and freelancing for a range of intentional clients.



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#### **EDUCATIONAL APPLICABILITY**

Which Egg? is a whimsical story conveying the message that there is no 'normal' when it comes to family. A family is who you grow up with, as the baby stork, baby crocodile and baby parrot realise in this sweet story. Themes of inclusion and diversity are woven throughout this book.

#### **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. Have you ever seen a stork, crocodile or parrot? Where?
- 3. Does it matter that the eggs got muddled up? What did the parent stork, crocodile and parrot do? Did they mind?
- 4. What different types of family are there? What is your family like? This book celebrates diverse families and encourages children to think about different familial situations and relationships.
- 5. Ask if they think Which Egg? is a good title for the book. What other titles can they think of?
- 6. What did the children think of the book? If they liked it, why did they like it? What was their favourite part?



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Can you draw your family tree? Start with you in the middle and add all your family members.

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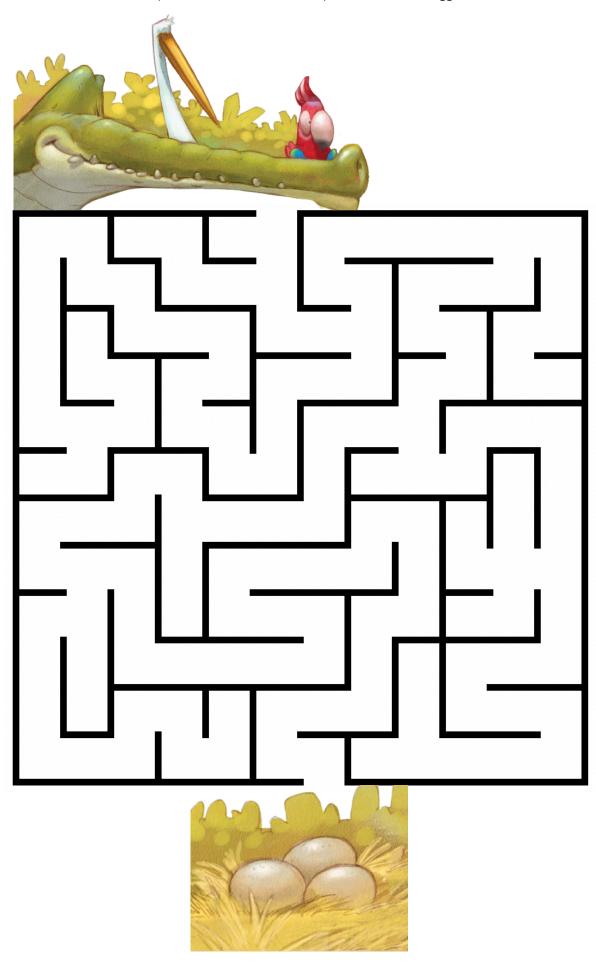


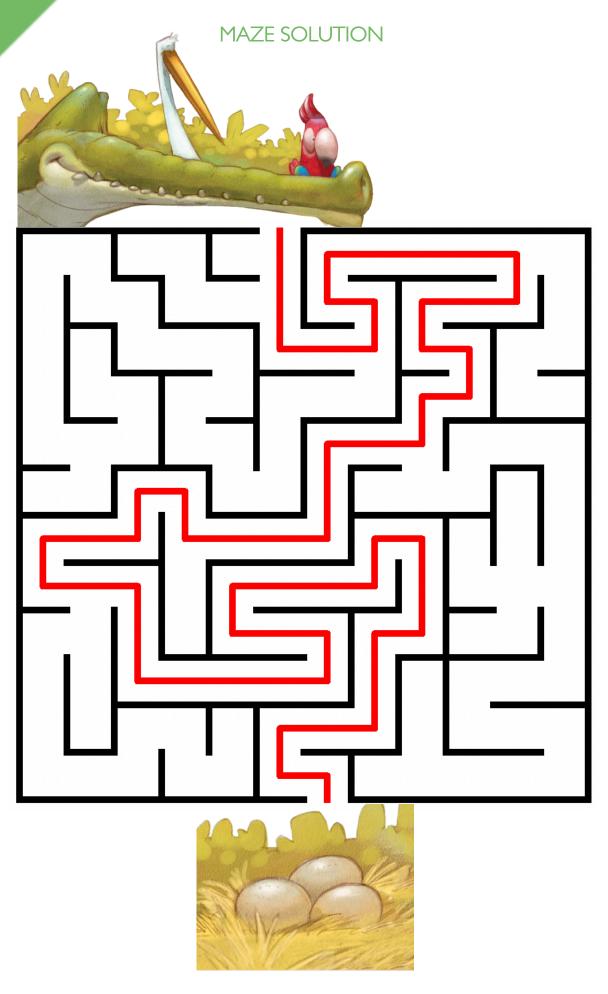


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### A-MAZE-ING FAMILY

Help the stork, crocodile and parrot find the 3 eggs.







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## DRAWING ACTIVITY Draw a picture of your family.



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