MY GRANDMA LIVED IN GOOLIGULCH

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This story celebrates the Australian bush and its native animals and birds. It introduces children to Grandma and her extraordinary life in the outback. Look out for all the creatures in the beautiful illustrations.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Australian outback fascinates children. They love reading and learning about all the amazing native Australian animals and the features they have to survive in the bush. Sometimes when reading a book like this one, going on afterwards to find out more information about some of the animals and borrowing information books from the library will encourage your child to be more inquisitive about what they are reading about.

WHEN SHARING THIS BOOK WITH YOUR CHILD:

Sit together and look at the cover. Point out all the animals you can see.

Talk about your grandma or special friends and where they live. What is special about where they live?

Read the story aloud and with care for the rhyming and rhythm of the text as you go.

There are a lot of words in this story that might need you to explain their meaning to your child. For example: billabong, pub, scrub, creek.

Go back through the story and look at the images. Talk about why some of them are in black and white and some are in colour.

Australian coins have animals on them. Coin rubbings are fun to do and are a great way to keep talking about Australian animals like those at Grandma’s house.

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Grandma, who lives with a large collection of animals in her small Australian town, takes a disastrous trip to the seaside. Get A Copy. Amazon. The narrator describes the adventures of his plucky grandmother who lives in Gooligulch, rides wallabies and is a legend at the local pub. Then one year, Grandma went away on a seaside holiday. Will she ever return?