

READ – MRS MOLE, I'M HOME!

Author and illustrator, Jarvis.

This story has lots to chat about! Talk with your child about the characters, what are they doing? How would Mrs Rabbit feel when Morris Mole pops up in her burrow? Asking questions, wondering what might happen in the story, and making predictions, will develop your child's thinking and problem solving skills. These are important skills for all areas of learning, including STEM.



When sharing stories together you can point out the name of the author and the illustrator on the front cover of the book. Explore the front cover and ask your child “what do you think this story will be about?” it doesn't matter if your child gets it wrong – the important part is wondering!

You can use picture books to introduce emotions and to chat with your child about different feelings. When we experience emotions our bodies can react and feel different. When we are worried it might feel like we have butterflies in our tummies, or when we are excited we might feel like we have lots of energy. This is all part of science and how our body works.

After reading the story you can go back, point out certain characters and ask your child:

- I wonder how Mr Mole might be feeling? Is he anxious, scared, frustrated or sad?
- How do you think the animals feel when Mr Mole pops up in their homes?
- How do you think Mr Mole is feeling now that he is home?

