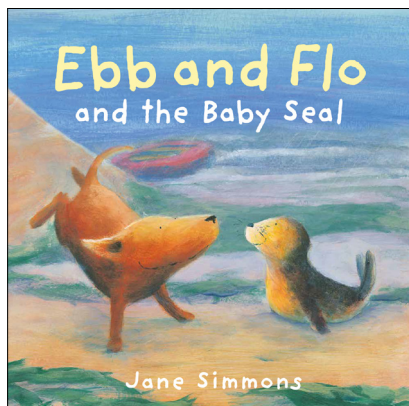


Ebb and Flo series

# Ebb and Flo and the Baby Seal



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## Vocabulary

Seal

Pitter patter

Waves

Rockpools

Lost

Rowed

## Front cover

### Discussion

What can you see on the cover.

The title of the book.

The author & illustrator's name.

What animals can you see?

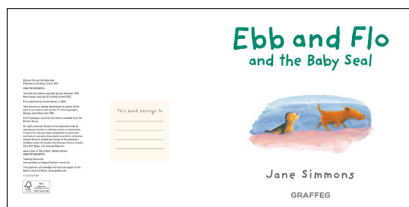
### Activities

Find out about seals.

Where do they live?

Are there any in Wales?

What do they eat?



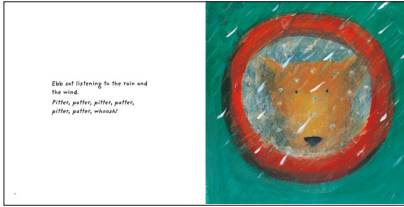
## Inside spread

### Discussion

Discuss the pictures and information if appropriate.

Who is following Ebb?

Where do you think they are going?



**Pages 4 & 5**

**Discussion**

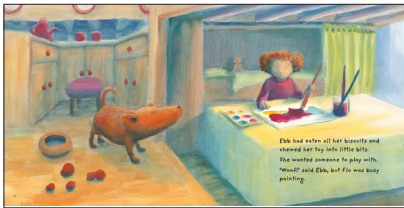
Ebb is looking out of the window.

What shape is it?

What is the weather like in the picture?

**Activities**

Make a lift-the-flap book of different shaped windows with something behind each one eg a picture, a joke etc.



**Pages 6 & 7**

**Discussion**

Flo is busy.

What is she doing?

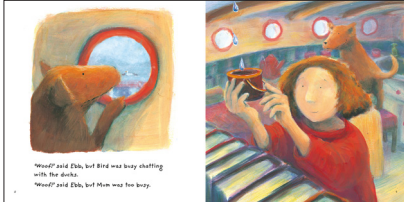
What do you like painting?

Ebb is making a noise – what is he doing?

**Activities**

Play a sounds game.

Record sounds and play them one by one – the children draw or write the name of the thing making the sound.



**Pages 8 & 9**

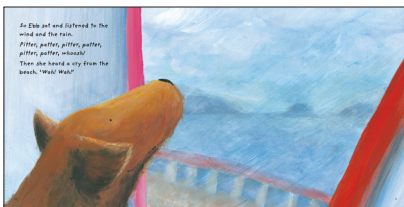
**Discussion**

Ebb goes to ask someone else to play. Who is on the water?

Mum is busy too. What is she doing?

**Activities**

Learn about busy bees and worker ants. Watch a video of them busily working.



**Pages 10 & 11**

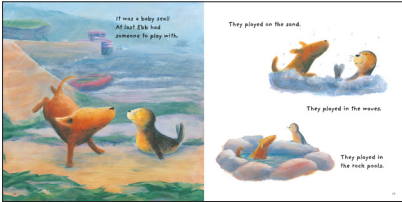
**Discussion**

Ebb goes back to listen to the rain. What else could he hear?

What did you think was making that sound?

**Activities**

Make shaking musical instruments and play use them to accompany some singing.



## Pages 12 & 13

### Discussion

Here is the baby seal.

Have you seen a real seal? Where?

What did Ebb and the baby seal do?

### Activities

Hide plastic sea animals in the sand tray for the children to discover and count.



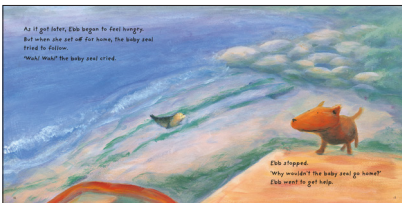
## Pages 14 & 15

### Discussion

Ebb and the seal are in the water, racing the waves.

Do you think they are having fun?

What do you play when you go to the beach?



## Pages 16 & 17

### Discussion

Ebb was heading home, but what happened?

I wonder why the seal didn't go home?

### Activities

Learn about animals and their homes – match up the animal to its home.



## Pages 18 & 19

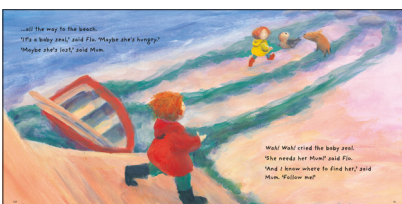
### Discussion

Ebb was worried – what did he do next?

Have you helped someone or something find their way home?

### Activities

Collect a basket of objects from in and around the classroom, then ask each child to choose then put the item back where it belongs.



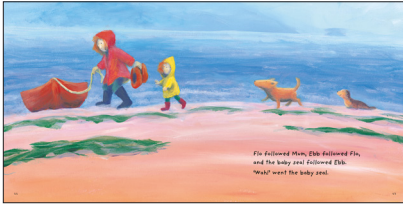
## Pages 20 & 21

### Discussion

Mum and Flo came to help.

They knew what to do.

What would you have done to make the seal feel better?



## Pages 22 & 23

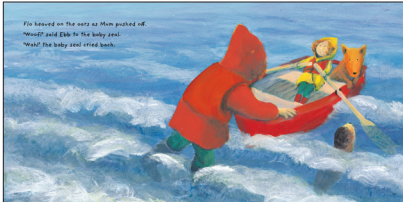
### Discussion

Can you see them walking?

Who was first in the line? Who was last?

### Activities

Play following the leader games outdoors – go under, over and around objects.



## Pages 24 & 25

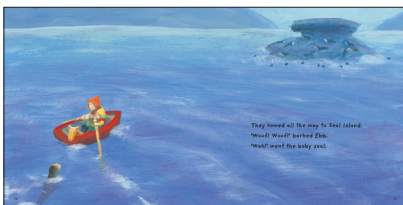
### Discussion

Where is everyone now?

Ebb and Flo are in the boat and Mum and the baby seal are in the water.

### Activities

Learn some songs about sailing or about pirates.



## Pages 26 & 27

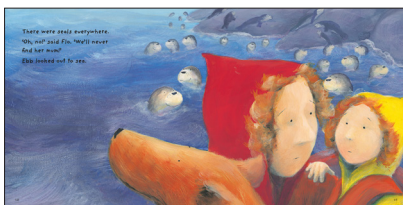
### Discussion

Can you see where they are going?

How many seals can you count on the rock?

### Activities

Make rock characters and place them around the outdoor space or garden.



## Pages 28 & 29

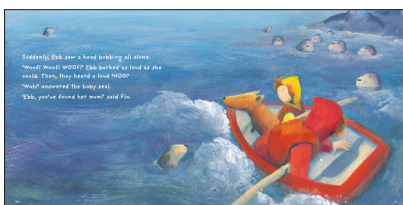
### Discussion

How do you think Mum and Flo are feeling?

Do they look worried?

### Activities

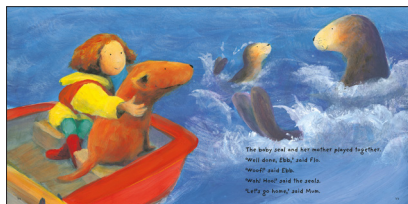
Make seals out of handprints for a display.



## Pages 30 & 31

### Discussion

What was making the noise – was it the baby seal's mother?



## Pages 32 & 33

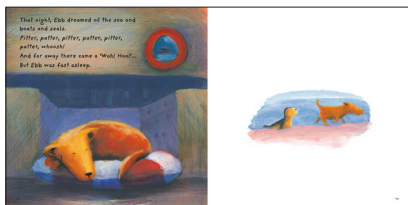
### Discussion

The baby seal and his mother are playing.

What is your favourite thing to play with your family?

### Activities

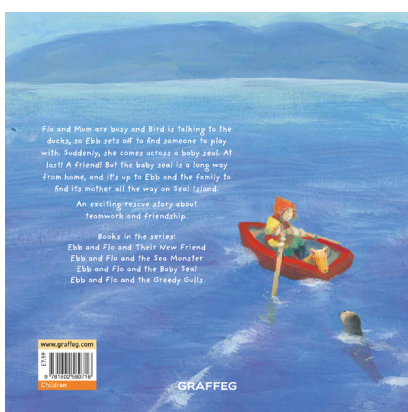
Create paired paintings using a blue and green background decorated with fish, crabs, seaweed etc.



## Pages 34 & 35

### Discussion

Ssh, Ebb is fast asleep – what is he dreaming about?



## Back Cover

### Discussion

What can you see on the back cover?

The blurb is there – this gives you a short version of the story.

Discuss the other information on the back cover.

### Activities

Listen to 'the aquarium' from carnival of the animals (Saint Saens) during a meditation session to relax.

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