

Suggested Teaching and Learning

Text Type: Non-Fiction Genre: Recount
Suggested Reading Recovery Level: 3 Word Count: 85

ACARA F-1 References

Learning Areas: English; Humanities and Social Sciences **General Capabilities:** Literacy; Intercultural Understanding

Cross Curriculum Priorities: Asia and Australia's Engagement with Asia

Understanding Texts

- Tell students that the text is a letter written from a child to their Mum and Dad after a day at the show. Show them the structure of the text and tell them how to read it - as a letter that accumulates sentence by sentence. *UnT4, UnT5
- Before reading, ensure students know some of the things we see at an agricultural show. *UnT4, UnT5
- After reading, discuss some of the other things that Sam may have seen at the show that weren't mentioned in the letter. *UnT4, UnT5

Vocabulary: chicks, fairyfloss, fireworks, show

High Frequency Words: at, from, going, had, looked, me, some, the, to, we

Phonic Knowledge and Word Recognition + Phonological Awareness

- Locate the word looked, record. Notice the -ed ending the way it looks contrasted with the sound it makes (t). Record other words with ed ending and notice the sound at the end. *PKW5
- Make word strings with ball such as tall, fall and call. Hear the rhyme and notice the pattern. *PhA2

^{*}National Literacy Learning Progressions



Dear Mum and Dad,



Dear Mum and Dad,



We went to the show.



Dear Mum and Dad, We went to the show.



We looked at the sheep.



Dear Mum and Dad,
We went to the show.
We looked at the sheep.



We looked at the chicks.



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My Show Day

My Show Day is an informational text that recounts a day a regional agricultural show. Highlights such as looking at the livestock, sideshow games and sweet treats such as fairyfloss are featured. Written as a letter from a child to his parents, the text builds cumulatively to reveal who he is at the show with.

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