

Reading Recovery level: 17 Word count: 274 Text type: Narrative Content: Fiction Subject: Earth and Space Sciences ACARA reference: ACSSU032 Soils and rocks. Teacher notes: Soil composition is explored in this book. Components which make soil are introduced. Consideration of what makes soil suitable for plant growth is discussed. Difficult words: soil, explore, burrow, growing, garden, plants, roots, deep, vegetables, leaves, beach, salty, returns, earthworms, clouds,

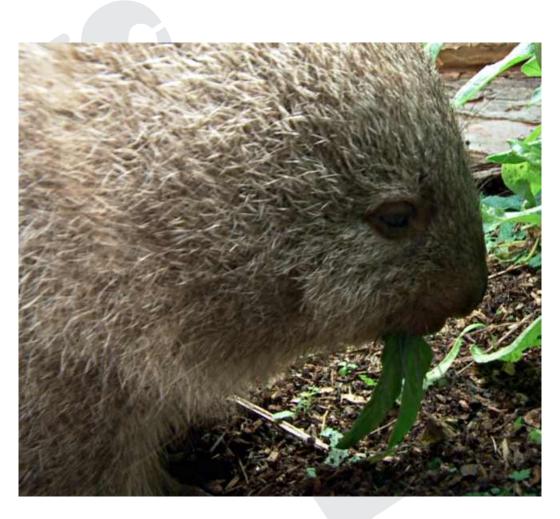
hungry, garden, heavy, soil, rivers, machine, moving.



Today WomWom is going to explore. She digs in the soil to make a burrow. She can see small plants growing in the soil.



There is lots of soil in the garden. The soil in the garden is good for growing plants. Plants get food from the soil.



Good soil can grow good plants. The roots of the plants can grow deep in the soil. WomWom eats the vegetables in the garden.



WomWom leaves the garden. She goes to the beach. There is a lot of sand on the beach.



Vegetables do not grow on the beach. The sand on the beach is too salty. Vegetables need food from the soil to grow.