WORKSHEETS THAT REQUIRE KNOWLEDGE OF THE STORY

ANSWERS FOR TEACHERS

ANIMAL ANTICS

If a worksheet does not appear in the list below, it is 'generic' in its requirements, calling on children's general basic skills, without specific reference to the story. In other words, a teacher will know what the correct answer is without having read the story at all.

KAFOOPS'S ZOO

Worksheet 1 – Pretty Funny Floorplan!

Loungeroom – fish tank – Mrs. Kaffoops didn't watch TV, she watched the fish swim around and play together.

Bathroom – elephant – he'd suck up water in his trunk and spray it over Mrs. Kaffoops. He also scrubbed her back with a scrubbing brush.

Laundry – kangaroo – it kept its pouch full of pegs, and when the washing was washed, it would take it outside and hang it on the line.

Kitchen – pig – he ate all the scraps. Mrs. Kafoops didn't need a compost or a bin. Bedroom – snake – it curled up on Mrs. Kafoops bed and kept her warm.

EXTRA LUCKY

Worksheet 3 – Losing a Pet

a) looked at photos; they recalled how they saved him from the pound, that's why they named him Lucky; took a photo to bed; thought about all of the good things they did together; remembered all the things Lucky did, like wait for them to come home from school, and bark when he saw them. He'd fetch dad's paper in the morning; they bought a new puppy.

PRINCESS NIGHTMARE

Worksheet 2 – Daily Disasters!

- 1. Inside the washing machine Mum was heading to the laundry with a basket of washing, the boy offered to do the washing!
- 2. The bathroom he gave his sister five dollars not to take a bath.
- 3. The garden shed his dad was about to get the mower from the shed, the boy offered to mow!

WHO WILL SAVE FLUFFY?

Worksheet 1 - Who Tried What?

Tom – he leaped as high as he could again and again with his arms stretched up high. He couldn't reach Fluffy.

Susan – stood directly under the branch and said "Jump Fluffy jump, I'll catch you!" Fluffy was too frightened to jump.

Brian – put his hands on the tree trunk and shook it. He shook and shook but only made things worse. Fluffy held on tighter.

Mr. Lodge – pulled a small tin of sardines from his pocket. He opened the lid and Fluffy was soon down safely eating sardines.

LITTLE DUCK WANTS TO PLAY

Worksheet 1 – Friendship Matters

- 1. Little Duck was bored because he didn't have a friend to play with in the pond.
- 2. Little Duck didn't want to play with the otter because he was big, brown and ugly.
- 3. Little Duck felt sad and was just about to cry.
- 4. Little Duck wants to play, only not with the otter who offers to play with him. After being rejected. After being rejected by everyone else he approaches, Little Duck decides the otter isn't such a bad playmate after all. Themes: Friendship, Don't judge appearances, Be thoughtful of others feelings.

Worksheet 2 – Describing Characters

Little Duck: lonely, small, rude, mean

Baby Otter: big, brown, ugly, friendly

Peacock: beautiful, elegant, rude, mean, big

Swan: handsome, white, rude, mean, big

TOFFEE IN TROUBLE

Worksheet 2 – Toffee's Story

One cold windy night a puppy sat on the footpath, abandoned. He was cold, frightened, hungry and tired. A big truck whooshed past, he gave a frightened yelp. To him it looked like a big, long monster with flashing eyes.

He scooted under a nearby gate. The grass was soft under his paws. He climbed some steps onto a veranda with a large mat in front of the door. He felt safe there, and curled up and went to sleep.

Mrs. Marr opens the front door; Emily sees the puppy and thinks their mum has bought it for them. She picks him up, talks to him and gave him the name Toffee. He seems to like that name; he licks Emily's hand. Emily wants to keep him but mum thinks he'll be too much trouble. Emily takes him into the backyard to see their new swimming pool. They played fetch with some of dad's practise golf balls.

Toffee knocked mum's washing into the pool. He went in after it, he could swim. Mum tried to help in but fell in. Toffee swam through the washing to Mrs. Marr and licked her face. Dad (a night shift worker) woke up to all of the noise. They headed inside to get ready to take Toffee to the RSPCA.

Jason toddled out the door. He ran towards the pup, tripped, and fell into the pool. Emily was upstairs but saw it from her window. "Mum" she screamed, but she was in the shower. Her dad was back in bed. "Toffee, fetch". He jumped into the pool and swam to him. He had him by the back of his t-shirt, holding his face out of the water. He swam toward Emily who leaned down and grabbed her brother. He was crying and shivering, but he was alive. Mr. Marr put up a pool fence that day. Mrs. Marr didn't mention the RSPCA again, instead she dried him with a towel and hugged him.