



Who am I at Easter – How to use this resource

Who am I at Easter – simple but fun caption books for use with beginning readers.

In addition to this information sheet, *Who am I at Easter* includes five documents:

- *Who am I? – Easter Bilby BW* (black and white)
- *Who am I? – Easter Bilby C* (colour)
- *Who am I? – Easter Bunny BW* (black and white)
- *Who am I? – Easter Bunny C* (colour)
- *Label the Easter characters*

Children read clues to guess who the book is about. The basket of eggs on the front cover is the first clue.

The books show the items that a child put on to dress up as an Easter Bilby or Easter Bunny. (Note: The book is written in past tense, hence I “got” rather than “get” my basket. “Put” is both present and past tense!)

The repetitive text with a small number of easy sight words and other high interest words supported by simple but clear illustrations makes these caption books a great choice for beginning readers.

The level of support given can be adjusted to suit the needs of the readers.

Choose which version of the caption books you wish to use. The content of each is similar and they are available in both colour and black and white for printing choice. The Easter Bilby is a boy, and the Easter Bunny is a girl.

For whole class reading: Display the caption book in colour on the whiteboard, or print on A4 or A3.

For individual or small group reading: Print as booklets.

Note: The character is not identified in the title. That would give it away. To assist you in identifying the book, the character is shown on the back page. Ensure the children don’t spot this before reading.

Two activities at the back of the booklets can be used to note which sight words children can recognise, and if they can use grapho-phonetic knowledge to match a label to a picture.

The books can also be used to monitor other emergent reading behaviour such as:

- Identifying the front of the book
- Holding the book the right way up
- Pointing to the print to read
- Matching words one for one with finger pointing
- Recognising and using the repetitive pattern to read
- Using the pictures to predict
- Using letter cues
- Identifying capital letters, full stops and question marks
- Turning the pages in the correct order

The follow up activity *Label the Easter characters* requires children to label the Easter Bunny or Easter Bilby and write a sentence about the picture.

The printed booklets can be taken home to read to family and friends over Easter for extra reading practice.

