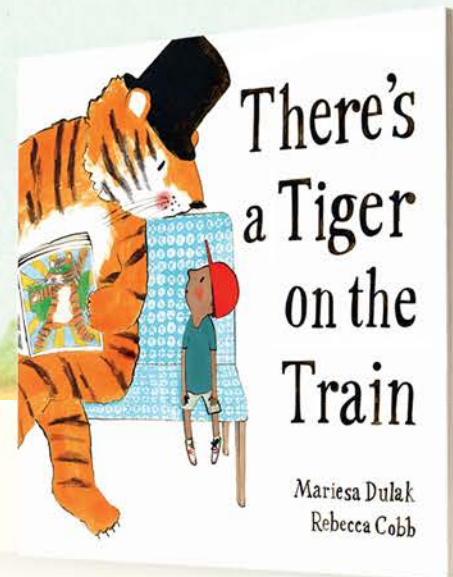


# There's a Tiger on the Train

## TEACHING NOTES



### Introduction

*You'll never guess what happened  
On our trip down to the sea . . .  
A tiger in a top hat  
Came and sat right next to me!*

Off to the seaside they go on a rather . . . EXTRAORDINARY train journey. But will Dad ever look up from his phone?

A boy and his dad board the train but Dad is stuck into his phone and misses the fact that a tiger boards the train . . . and so does a family of hippos, and a band of crocs, and a mum with her piglets, and a pug in a boa – or two . . .

Suddenly the tiger roars . . . Has he finally had enough? And what will Dad say? Will he even notice?

From debut author, Mariesa Dulak, and award-winner Rebecca Cobb, illustrator of *The Everywhere Bear*.

### Before you Read the Book

Before reading *There's a Tiger on the Train*, look at the cover together and think about the following:

- A) What sort of story do you think this is going to be? Funny? Sad? An adventure story?
- B) Do you think you can guess where the story is set? What makes you think it is set in that location?
- C) Look at the expressions on the boy, tiger and the Dad? How do you think they feel?

### Discussion Questions

Read through the book and discuss these questions together as you go through.

1. What time of day is it?
2. How do you think the boy feels when the tiger boards the train?
3. Why do you think Dad isn't listening to the boy?
4. How many syllables are there in 'clank rumble'?
5. How many crocodiles can you see on page 6?
6. On the journey we meet some piglets, what is the difference between a pig and a piglet?
7. The boy plays snap, can you think of any words that rhyme with snap?
8. Why do you think the tiger roared?
9. How do you think the roar made everyone feel?
10. The book describes the tiger's eyes as amber, can you find anything around the room that is amber?
11. Why do you think the tiger ate dad's phone?
12. Why do you think the boy looked so happy with his dad in the final pages?
13. What was your favourite part of the book?
14. How did the book make you feel?

