

Morris The Mole

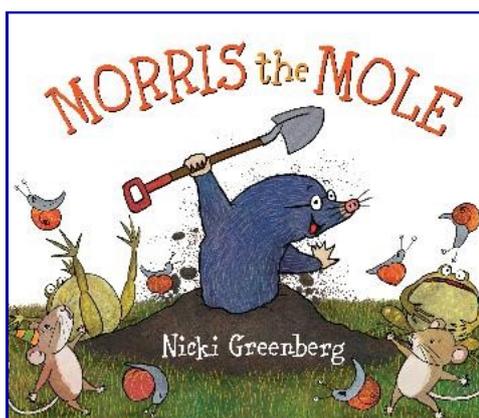
By Nicki Greenberg

Publisher: Allen & Unwin

ISBN 9781760630829 SCIS:1879538

\$19.99

Up from the darkness, he springs from his hole... Explorer! Enthusiast! MORRIS THE MOLE! With a twirl of his spade and a twitch of his nose, Morris makes TUNNELS wherever he goes... Will Morris dig his way to trouble? Or will his hard work pay off in an unexpected way? Morris's adventures underground (and above) are hugely entertaining and full of joy.



Themes:

- Mischief
- Playfulness
- Determination

Discussion Questions:

- Why did Morris want to dig all the time? What did he like about it?
- What were some of the treasures that Morris found when he was digging? Have you ever found any treasure when digging in the garden?
- What did Morris have for breakfast?
- What did he have for dessert?
- Morris destroyed a birthday cake and picnic with his digging. Who did they belong to? Do you think Morris meant to destroy the cake and the picnic?
- Can you recall what other creatures Morris disturbed?
- Do you think the way Morris behaved was very thoughtful to others? How do you think the other animals felt? Discuss.
- Do you think they were used to his behaviour?
- What characteristics did Morris show in this story?
- Have you ever felt determined to keep doing something like Morris did? If so, what was it, and why did you feel determined?
- Where did Morris finally end up after all his digging? How did Morris react to this? Compare his reaction to the reaction of the other animals.
- Where do you think Morris might end up on his new flying adventure?

Activities:

- Find out all you can about 'moles', including where they live and what they eat.
- Make a puppet of either Morris the Mole or one of the other animals in the story. Your class might like to then perform your own class puppet play.