

# Lamont Books Standing Order

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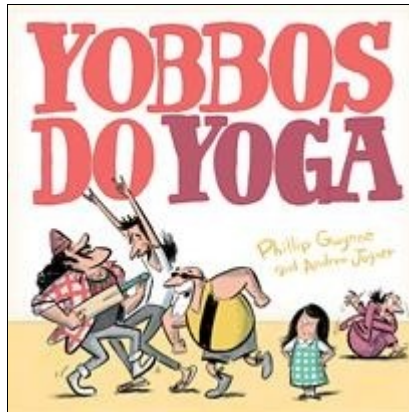
*Teacher Notes and Activities*

## **Yobbos Do Yoga**

By Phillip Gwynne & Illustrated by Andrew Joyner  
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\$24.95

**Picture Book of  
the Month**

The neighbours have moved out and now there is no one living next door - no music, no yowling cat, no howls of laughter. Peace and quiet at last, so Dad can do his yoga and be happy. Then Tubby, Ferret and King Wally Kahuna move in ... They love throwing parties and playing air guitar. They have dogs and cats and bad hair. Worst of all, they are ...  
**YOBOS! EVERYONE KNOWS THAT YOBOS AND YOGA DON'T MIX - OR DO THEY?**



### Themes:

- Tolerance
- Judging Others
- Acceptance

### Discussion Points:

- How would you describe each of the characters in this story?
- Do you relate to any of them directly or through someone in your family? If so, who and why?
- Do you think that our behaviour and how we dress influences how others think about us?
- Dad was very quick to judge the new neighbours without even talking to them. Is this a normal reaction? In what other circumstances do we do this? Have you ever done this?
- Why do you think that the little girl wasn't as quick to judge them as her Dad?
- What does this story teach us about tolerance and acceptance?
- What is a 'Yobbo'? What is 'Yoga'? Make a list of five things that you associate with each of them.
- Do any of the items on your lists match? Does this mean that they can't go together? Explain
- It was not only the Dad and the little girl who accepted the 'Yobbos', but also the other way around. How did the Yobbos show that they were willing to accept others different than them?

### Activities:

- Create a puppet of your typical 'Yobbo'. You may like to then have class puppet show, even with them doing Yoga!
- Have your own class Yoga session.