

Lamont Books Standing Order

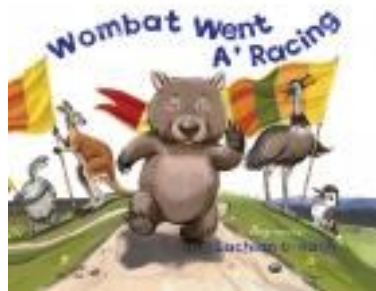
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Teacher Notes and Activities

Wombat Went A' Racing

Illustrated by Lachlan Creagh
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The star of WOMBAT WENT A WALKING returns in this fun-filled picture book. All the Aussie animals are taking part in the bush sports carnival. Wombat has a go at everything, but always seems to come in last. Is there any event a wombat could win?



Themes:

- Participating
- Trying your best
- Australian animals

Discussion Points:

- By reading the title and looking at the cover, what sport do you think that Wombat will race in? What do you think he would be good at?
- What do you think is the most important thing about being in events like a sports carnival?
- What do you learn by participating in all different events.
- Why do you think that Wombat wanted to win a race? Have you ever wanted to win something? If so, what?
- The animals were all good at different things, but they were all still prepared to have a go. How can we expand this thinking into our daily lives?
- How do we feel when we win something? When we don't?
- Does it matter if we don't win?
- What can you learn about yourself when you don't win?
- Do you think that most people think about winning too much? Explain.
- Look at the inside cover of the book. Think of all the sports that you know. Match the animals with a sport you think they would be good at—share your reasons with the class.

Activities:

- Wombat loved his medal that he got for winning the race. Design and create a medal for yourself.
- Part of the animals activities was to have an 'egg and spoon race'. Have a race like this of your own. Decorate your eggs first.