

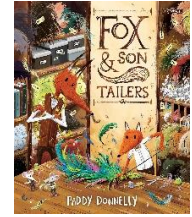


Our Best Picture Book 2025

Reading the shortlisted books at home

Fox & Son Tailers

by Paddy Donnelly



The Our Best Picture Book shortlisted books are for you and your child to read and enjoy together. So, find a comfortable and quiet place to read the book either to your child, or with them. 😊

The main thing is that you have fun! You can discuss the pictures, enjoy the story and predict what might happen next! Use some of the prompts, questions and activities below to make the most of having this exciting new book at home to share together!

Before you start reading the book together...

- Talk about the cover. e.g. What can you see?
- What do you think this book might be about?

During reading...

- Talk about the pictures.
- What do you think might happen next?

After reading...

- Was the story what you expected it to be about?
- What did you like and not like about this book?

Some questions you can ask your child about this book...

- Which tail in the book is your favourite?
- Like Rory, what wild and wonderful ideas do you have about something you would like to do?

Praise your child...

- *Great idea!*
- *Good question!*

Follow up activities to try at home...

- Make and decorate your own tails at home using a variety of materials, for example, paper strips, ribbon, stuffed tights.
- Set up your own 'Fox and Son Tailers' shop at home with the tails you have made! Have a measuring tape ready to measure the customers! How much will each tail cost?

Here is a link to the author reading this book for you to listen to and watch together:

