

SAFE TUTOR
AUSTRALIAN ANIMAL DISCOVERY



Common Wombat

My 10-page learning book

For curious learners aged 5 to 9

What am I?



I am a sturdy Australian marsupial that spends much of my time on the ground.

Spell my name

COMMON WOMBAT

W O M B A T

Clap the syllables

wom - bat

Say it slowly. Clap once for each part.

Now say the whole name smoothly.

Write the name three times:

What do I look like?



I have short legs, a broad head, strong claws and a tough rump.

Look closely. Point to one feature that helps you recognise me.

What do I do?



I dig long burrows and usually come out from evening to early morning.

Movement challenge: Can you move safely like me for five seconds?

What do I eat?



I eat grasses, roots, bark and other tough plant material.

Think: Am I a herbivore, carnivore or omnivore? Use my food clues to explain.

Where do I live?



I live in forests, mountains and coastal heathlands in south-eastern Australia and Tasmania.

Draw my habitat here: trees, water, grass, rocks or another safe home.

How do I grow up?



My baby is called a joey. My pouch opens backwards, which helps keep digging soil out.

Tell a partner: What does the parent or habitat provide for the young?

Amazing fact!



Wombats make cube-shaped droppings. The cubes do not roll away easily.

Share the fact in your own words. Start with: "Did you know...?"

Show what you know

1. Spell Common Wombat.

2. Where does this animal live?

3. What does it eat?

4. Name one special body feature.

5. Tell one amazing fact.

Great work, wildlife explorer!