

SAFE TUTOR

AUSTRALIAN ANIMAL DISCOVERY



Greater Bilby

My 10-page learning book

For curious learners aged 5 to 9

What am I?



I am a desert marsupial with very long ears.

Spell my name

GREATER BILBY

B I L B Y

Clap the syllables

bil - by

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 silky blue-grey fur, a pointed nose, long ears and a black-and-white tail.

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

What do I do?



I sleep in a deep spiral burrow by day and search for food at night.

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

What do I eat?



I eat seeds, bulbs, fungi, insects and small animals.

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

Where do I live?



I live in dry grasslands and deserts in parts of inland Australia.

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

How do I grow up?



My baby is called a joey. My backward-opening pouch stays cleaner while I dig.

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

Amazing fact!



My large ears help me hear and also release body heat in hot country.

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

Show what you know

1. Spell Greater Bilby.

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!