

SAFE TUTOR

AUSTRALIAN ANIMAL DISCOVERY



Red Kangaroo

My 10-page learning book

For curious learners aged 5 to 9

What am I?



I am a large marsupial. A marsupial is a mammal whose baby usually grows in a pouch.

Spell my name

RED KANGAROO

K A N G A R O O

Clap the syllables

kan - ga - roo

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 powerful back legs, big feet and a long, strong tail. My fur is often rusty red or sandy brown.

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

What do I do?



I travel by hopping. I rest when the day is hottest and become more active when it is cool.

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

What do I eat?



I am a herbivore. I graze on grasses and nibble other low plants.

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

Where do I live?



I live in dry grasslands, scrub and open country across 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. The tiny joey crawls into its mother's pouch and grows there safely.

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

Amazing fact!



I can travel quickly with long, springy hops. A group of kangaroos is called a mob.

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

Show what you know

1. Spell Red Kangaroo.

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!