

SAFE TUTOR

AUSTRALIAN ANIMAL DISCOVERY



Swamp Wallaby

My 10-page learning book

For curious learners aged 5 to 9

What am I?



I am a medium-sized marsupial related to kangaroos.

Spell my name

SWAMP WALLABY

W A L L A B Y

Clap the syllables

wall - a - 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 dark brown fur, lighter cheek stripes, strong hind legs and a long tail.

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

What do I do?



I move by hopping and usually feed alone from late afternoon through the night.

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

What do I eat?



I browse on shrubs, grasses, ferns and other plants.

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

Where do I live?



I live in forests, woodlands and thick coastal scrub along eastern Australia.

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

How do I grow up?



My baby is called a joey and develops inside a pouch.

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

Amazing fact!



A wallaby can use its strong tail for balance while moving and feeding.

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

Show what you know

1. Spell Swamp Wallaby.

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!