



The Little Red Hen

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Useful Information	
Author	Traditional Tale retold by Ronne Randall
Illustrator	Ailie Busby
Year published	1999
Other titles by this author	Ladybird Picture Books

Tales Toolkit			
	Character- A person or an animal in a story.		Setting- Where the story takes place.
	A little red hen		A farm
	Problem- There is another character or a situation that is a problem for the main character.		How the characters manage to sort out the problem and have a happy ending.
	Little Red Hen wants to grow wheat from some grains she has found, but no one will help her.		. She works hard, all by herself, and makes some delicious bread.

Phrases and repeated refrains from story text	
<i>Children will become very familiar with these phrases and use them in the oral retelling of the story</i>	
One sunny spring morning	It grew and it grew and it grew!
Who will help me..?	Ground the corn
all by myself	So delicious
Not I	And she did

Vocabulary – definitions and <i>synonyms</i>	
<i>synonyms are words with the same meaning (or almost the same meaning)</i>	
preening	to clean and tidy oneself (<i>groom</i>)
mumbled	to talk in a low voice that is hard to hear (<i>mutter, whisper</i>)
ripe	fully grown and ready to harvest or eat (<i>mature</i>)
mill	a place where grains are crushed and made into flour
fine	made from very small pieces (<i>powdered</i>)
sneaky	to move quietly in a sly way (<i>prowl, tip-toe</i>)



Book Knowledge and Concepts about Print	
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