

Silva the Seal

Topic: Living things Curriculum link: Science; Studies of Society and the Environment Text type: Recount Reading level: 15 Word count: 230 Vocabulary: Silva, Australian, fur, keepers, vets, train, scar, zoo, ocean, fishing net, dying, wild Possible literacy focus: Understanding the features of a recount. Recalling details of a story in sequence. Identifying words with double letters. Providing a personal response to Silva's story. Summary: This book tells of how an injured wild seal was saved and came to live at the zoo.

Task card

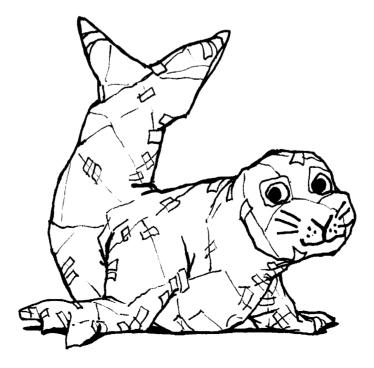
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Make a model of a seal

You will need:

A3 paper, newspaper, string, crayons, felt-tip pens, coloured pencils, tape

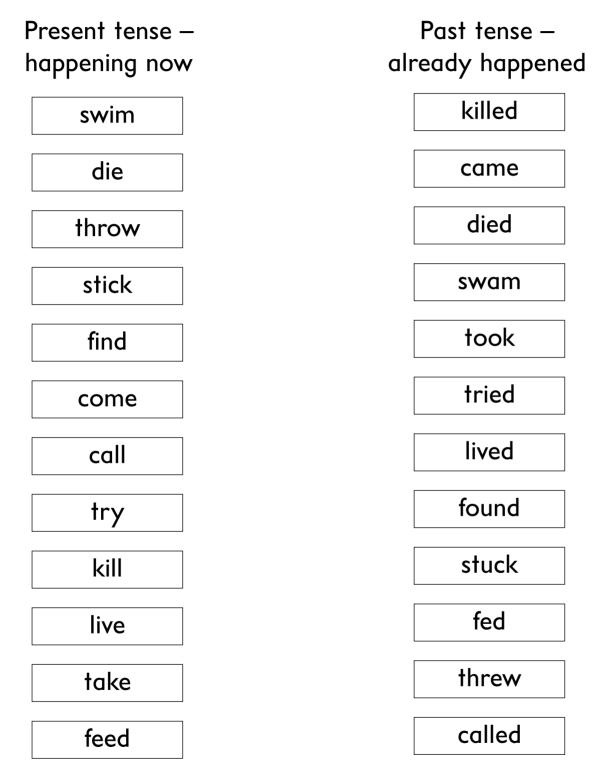
- 1. Use the materials to make a model of a seal.
- 2. Write about how to protect your seal.





Present and past

Match these words.



Name

Think of other past and present tense words. Write them on the back of this sheet.



Name

Double letters

Find words with double letters. List them here.

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Now write some sentences using these words.

Instructions Ask children to look in Silva the Seal for words with double letters. Then ask them to search through other books.