THE RESCUED CATS' ADVENTURE SERIES

Panther's Garden Adventure

Book One of the series

Notes for Parents and Teachers

Before school age

Most young children will have come across a cat, whether at home or at a friend's or neighbour's place. Before you read the book, ask your child (or the group) to describe a cat they know — its colour, its shape, the whiskers, the paws. Talk about the things cats do: stalking, sleeping, jumping up onto a lap. Then show them the cover, front and back. Children love miming a cat — stretching, sitting, licking their paws.

Year One

Read the book aloud, or let a child who recognises some words have a go on their own. As a follow-up art activity, cut cat silhouettes in different poses from cardboard to use as stencils. Children can trace them onto black paper, cut them out (with help where needed) and glue them onto a coloured background — as a picture at home, or as a shared montage in class.