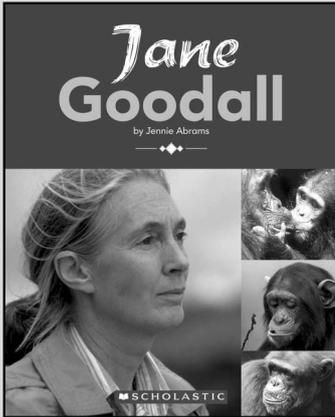


Jane Goodall



Jane Goodall Teachers' Notes

Learning objective: Year 1, 7d: Recognise the main elements that shape different texts

Key words: wanted, chimpanzees, scared, surprised, vegetables

Cross-curricular/theme links: Biography, life of a scientist

Genre: Non-fiction

NC level: Approximately Level 1B-1A

Assessment: AF4, Level 1: Some awareness of meaning of simple text features

Word count: 270

Getting started

Read the title and back cover blurb together. Ask: 'What type of book do you think this will be?' Establish that it is a biography of Jane Goodall, a famous scientist who works with chimpanzees.

Speaking and listening

- In pairs, ask the children to flip through the book before reading it. Challenge them to see how many non-fiction features they can find (for example, photos, labels, a map, and so on).

Guided reading

Pages 2-3: Check that the children understand what is meant by studying animals in the wild. Ask: 'Why do you think Jane wanted to study animals in the wild, rather than in zoos?'

Pages 4-7: Encourage the children to pause during the reading and talk about what they find out about Jane Goodall's life. Ask: 'How do you think Jane showed the chimpanzees that they didn't have to be scared of her?'

Pages 8-13: Challenge the children to tell you three of the new things Jane Goodall found out, by working with chimpanzees.

Pages 14-16: Ask: 'How do you think Jane Goodall helps the chimpanzees now? Why does she give talks about the chimpanzees and their home?'

After reading

Use these questions to help children talk about the book.

- Which animals did Jane Goodall work with?
- Can you tell me some of the things Jane found out about these animals?
- Do you think Jane Goodall's work was important? Why?

Reading into writing

Ask the children what they would want to find out, if they had the opportunity to meet Jane Goodall. Encourage them to write one or two questions that they would ask her.

Book quiz for children

- 1 In which country did Jane Goodall study chimpanzees?
- 2 How did Jane Goodall find out that chimpanzees could use tools?
- 3 Why were the chimpanzees in danger?

Support for less confident readers

It may help children to know something about Jane Goodall's life before they tackle the book. Many videos related to Jane Goodall are available on the internet, and watching one of these could be a helpful introduction to the book.

Extension for more confident readers

Encourage the children to do some research in books or on the internet, to find out more about Jane Goodall's life.