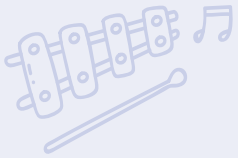


HAIR!



Read the book, create and leap into play!



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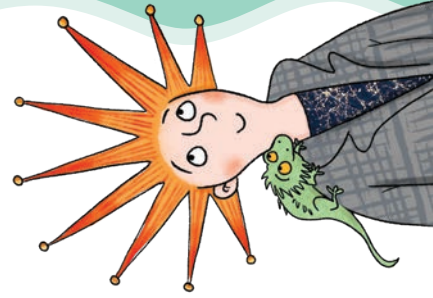
WORDS
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HAIR!

Mike Dumbleton and Lucinda Gifford

From mullets to mop tops and rat's tails to rainbows!
Wow! Oh Crikey!

You will be sure to laugh and have fun as you discover all the different, creative and ...a little bit crazy...hairstyles! Choosing our hairstyle allows us to express our sense of identity and belonging. Enjoy celebrating the diversity that this story brings!



Read this story with expression in your voice, by putting emotion into the words. It is a playful story, so have fun and show this in your facial expressions. This will help your child to have fun with the story too. Put emphasis on words. For example, *Hair that stands up Higher AND HIGHER!*

The pictures closely reflect the words, so give your child lots of time to really look at each page to make the links. As you read, ask your child what they think of each style. Do they have a favourite?



Talk about your own hair and styles! Look in the mirror with your child and take turns describing your hair. Help them to think about the language and wonderful words they can use to describe it. Is it curly, whirly, twisty, twirly, springy, smooth or fluffy, spikey or loooooong? What wonderfulness can you see? Talk about your family and friends and their different hair types and styles. Do they have a similar style to anyone in the story? Role model how to acknowledge and show respect for personal preferences and diversity.



Sing a hair song! Ask your child, 'What are some things you can do with your hair?' Give your child time to think and answer. They may like to show you.

Can you wash it? Can you dry it?
Can you brush it? Can you flick it?'

Sing with your child and role play as you do.

*This is the way we wash our hair,
Wash our hair,
Wash our hair.
This is the way we wash our hair,
So early in the morning.*





Create and Play

Match the style

- Draw a line to match the style...what's your favourite?

Create your OWN hair stylist salon!

- Props to include for salon.
- Empty, clean shampoo and conditioner bottles, combs, brushes, hair accessories, mirror, spray bottles (always fun to spray and wet hair!)...
...now you need a towel! To manage customers include a notepad, pencil, pretend money and a magazine.
- Set up your salon with the props and personalised sign (using the template) and seat your customer/s in front of a mirror. Use your new book, *Hair!* for styling inspiration!
- Follow your child's lead. Are they the hair stylist and you the customer? If you are receiving the pamper treatment and fresh new style, act the way a customer would and enjoy the experience!

**real scissors in hair salon pretend play are not recommended.*



Learning to acknowledge and celebrate diversity can inspire your child to accept, respect and celebrate differences and build a culture of inclusion. Importantly this also develops your child's positive sense of their own identity and belonging.



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Hair styles can be simple and fun...
...get creative with the WOW factor!

Foamy Fun

Can use: Foamy tear free shampoo



Did you know having a laugh
and a sense of humour
develops creativity?

Creativity helps to see things from
a different perspective as
compared to the most obvious.
This helps your child think outside
the box, enjoy the playful part of
life, be a little more spontaneous
and not take themselves
too seriously.

Spiky Spikes

Can use: Hair gel



Crazy Hair Days

Can use: Pavement chalk, jug of water.



Whacky Wigs

Can use: Wig of choice and imagination!



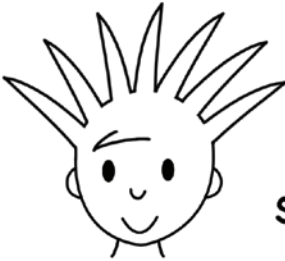
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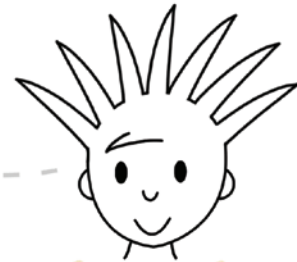
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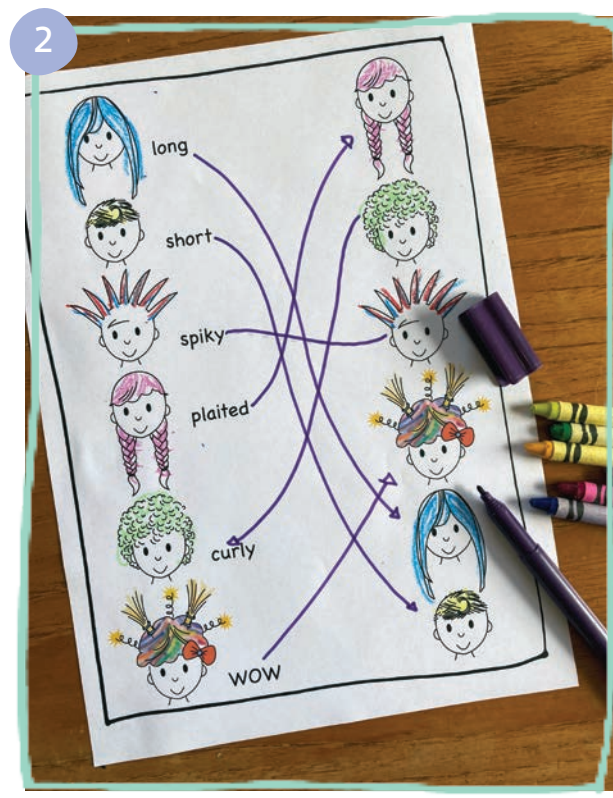
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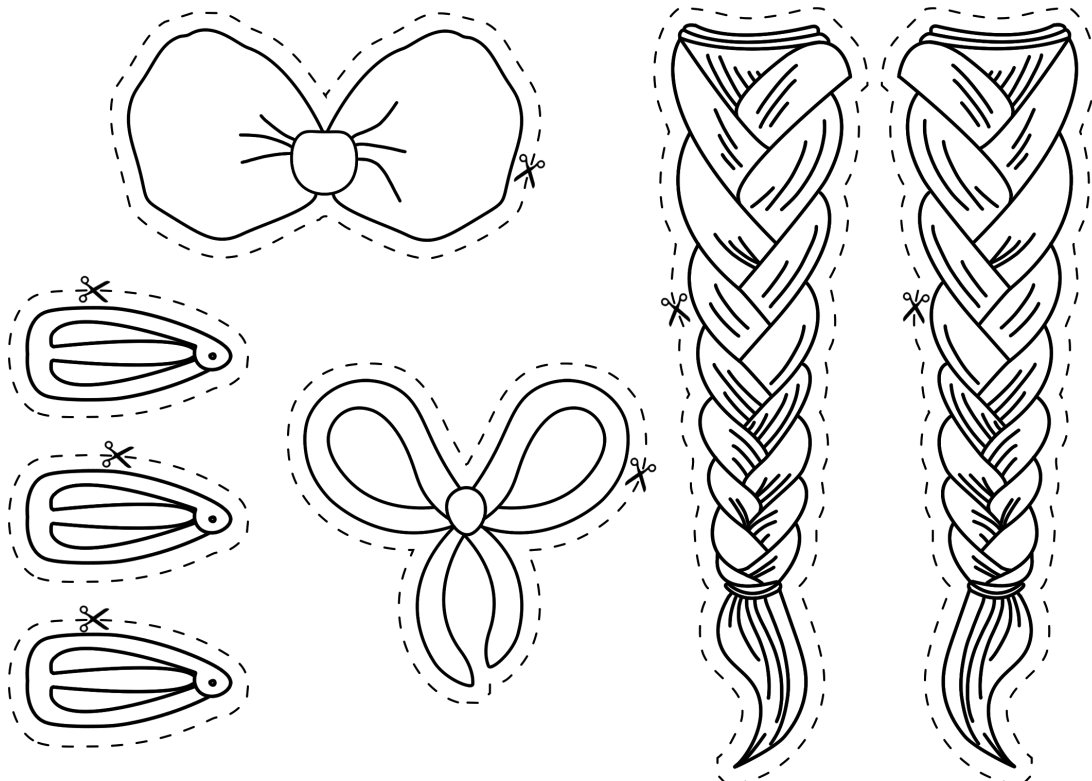
WOW



Follow these steps...



Set up your styling salon. Who is your first customer?



Follow these steps...



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