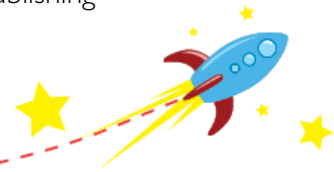


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### SYNOPSIS

Dear Badger loves helping all his special animal friends. But one day, he needs help ...  
An enchanting tale about kindness, gratitude and friendship.

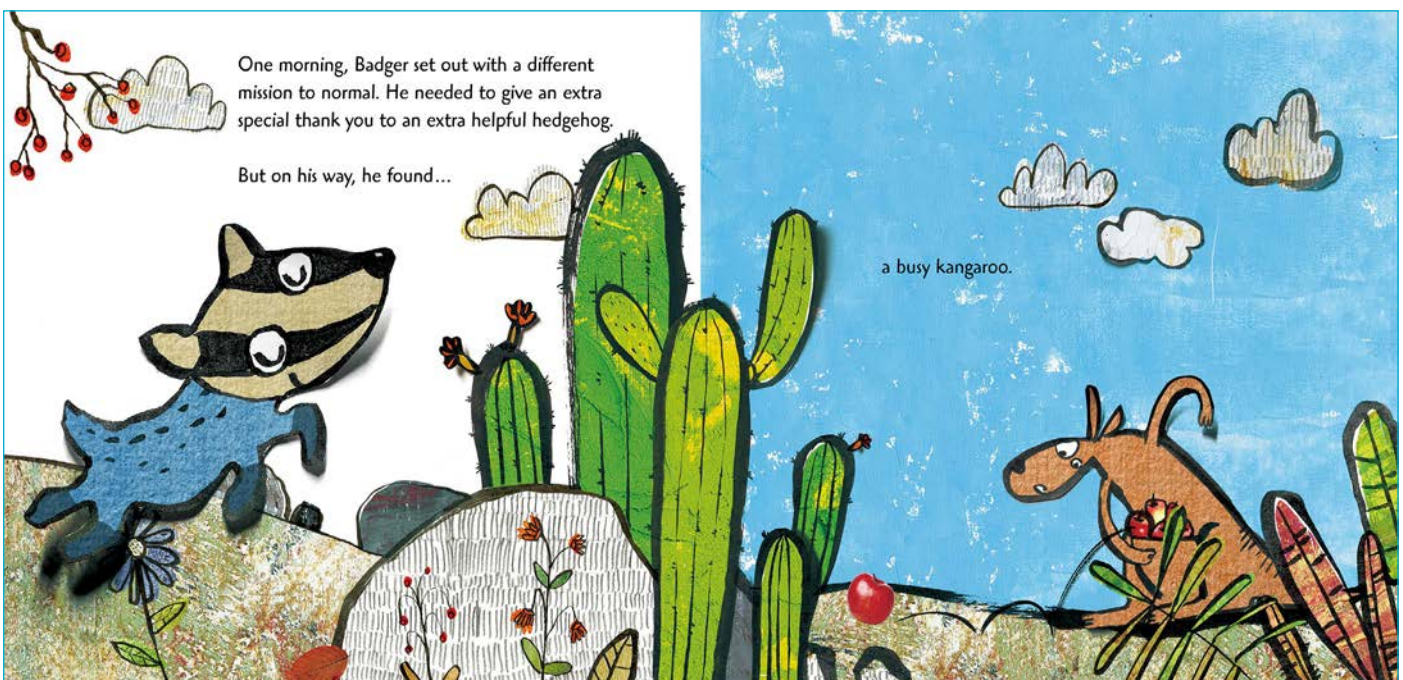
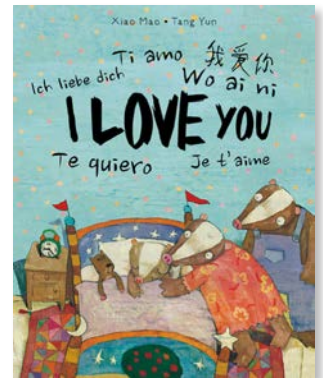
### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Xiao Mao is a famous writer living in China. He has written more than 100 books for children and has won a number of literacy awards. His works are embedded with wisdom, imagination, humour and love.

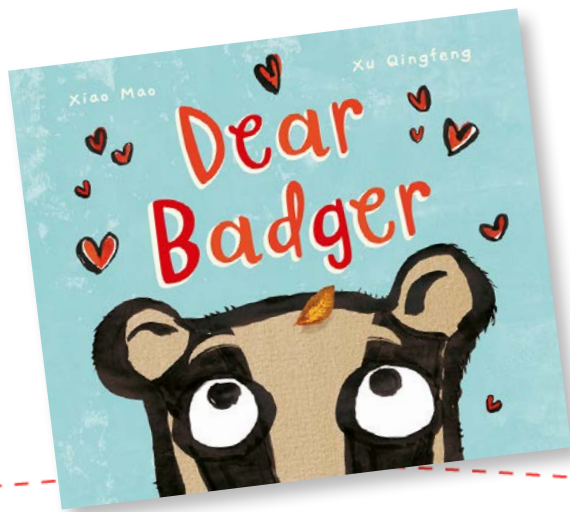
### ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

Graduated from Nanjing Art Institute, Xu Qingfeng is regarded as one of the Chinese new generation illustrators, who is skilled at comprehensive paintings.

### ANOTHER BOOK BY AWARD-WINNING XIAO MAO





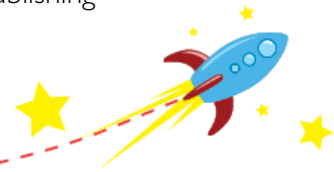


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### EDUCATIONAL APPLICABILITY

*Dear Badger* is an enchanting story which encourages children to be kind and care for their friends. It also includes the important theme of being able to accept help when it's needed and to be grateful and say 'thank you'.



### DISCUSSION TOPICS

Before, during and after reading the book

1. Introduce *Dear Badger* to the children and ask them what they think the story might be about.
2. Dear Badger loves helping all his friends. Ask the children if they like to help their friends. What do they help them with? Homework? When they hurt themselves? If they are crying? How do they feel when they help their friends? Is it a good feeling?
3. Ask the children if they ask for help if they need a helping hand. Are they grateful for the help and do they acknowledge it and say 'thank you'?
4. What do all the special animal friends in the story need help with?
5. After reading the book, ask them what they thought of the story. Which was their favourite part and why?



# WORDSEARCH ACTIVITY

Find all the words below in the *Dear Badger* wordsearch.

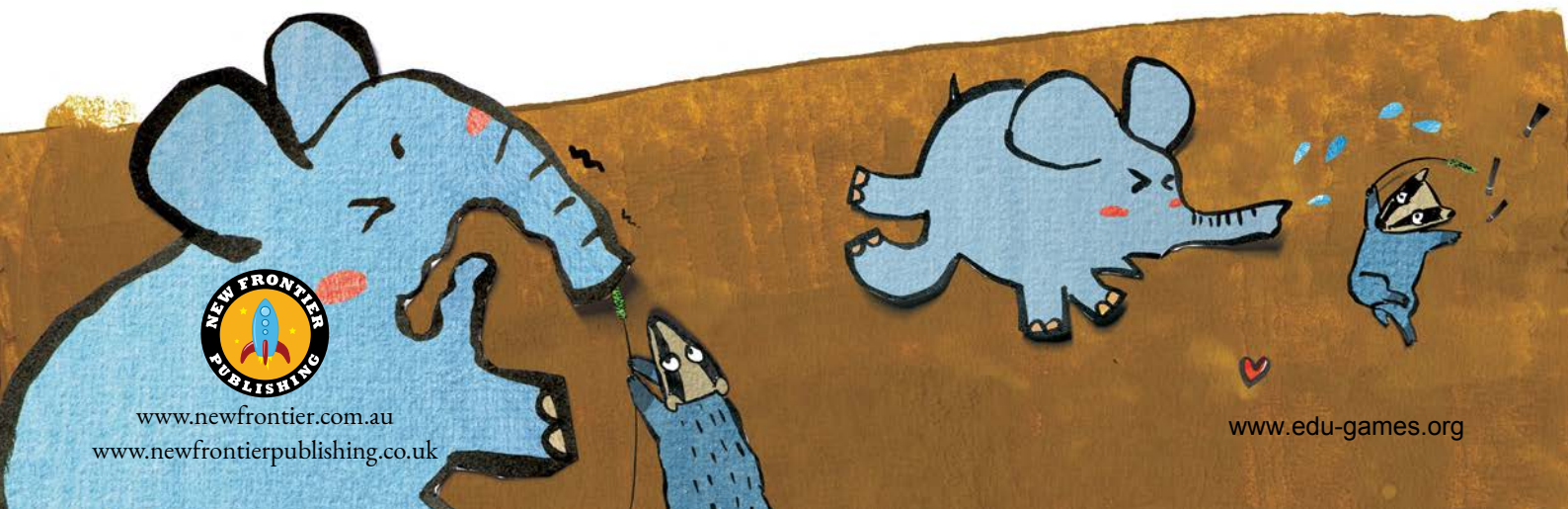
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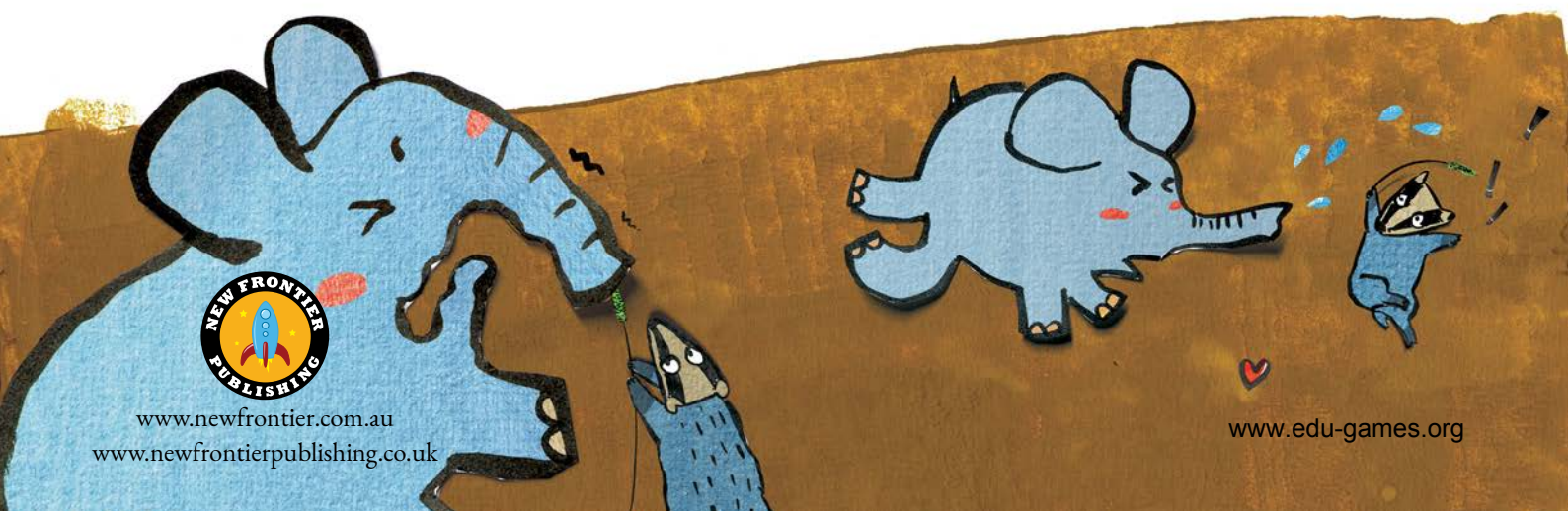
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## DESIGN A 'THANK YOU' CARD ACTIVITY

Design, create and give your friend a card to say, 'Thank you!'. It could be for something they've done or helped you with. Ask an adult to help you cut it out.

Thank  
you!



## WRITE A 'THANK YOU' POEM

Write an acrostic poem using the words, Thank you. An acrostic poem is a poem in which the first letter of each line spells out a word. You could write all about the different ways of saying thank you.

