Koala and Bunny
Instilling protective behaviours in children
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USING THIS BOOK....PLEASE NOTE WELL

It is **most important** to educate the Parents and Child Protection Workers (Tutors) about the Story of the functions and importance of our openings PRIOR to the book being given to children.

It is recommended that Tutors start the conversation about the openings with Facial Openings, (Ears, Nose and Mouth) as this is less sensitive and personal.

As the tuition proceeds the Children may inquire about their other openings or the Tutors may gently incorporate the other openings into the tuition.

When the children are shown the book and other material, (e.g. the slide show presentation, hand puppet play) because the Tutors are already aware of the story, they are prepared for questions the children may ask.

Tutors should also be made aware of the value of the books as an interactive tool and should be encouraged to interact with the Children through colouring in the book. This gently opens the door to education of the functions and importance of our openings and is also intended to be fun.

Because both Teachers and Parents had been given training beforehand and are aware what the story is about, the children learn very quickly and effectively.

Because of the sensitivity of this message some Parents may be uncomfortable teaching it.
If this is found to be so, it is recommended that a Friend, Child Protection Worker or Social Worker, may be more suitable to help teach the children the Koala and Bunny Message.

It is also recommended that Parents and Child Protection Workers be asked directly if they are comfortable teaching this message and if there is any hesitation, it may be in the best interest of the child for the Tutoring to be allotted to another person.
The Salvation Army in the Australia Eastern Territory is pleased to endorse "Koala and Bunny" as a valuable asset and helpful resource for teaching children protective behaviours.

James Condon, Commissioner, Australia Eastern Territory, www.aue.thesalvationarmy.org

Rotary Club of Nundah is pleased to endorse Koala and Bunny as a valuable tool in teaching children protective behaviours.


I'm happy to endorse the Koala and Bunny as a useful tool in teaching children. Chancellor Leneen Forde, AC, Chancellor, Griffith University. Queensland, Australia. http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leneen_Forde

Sexual Assault Clinic (South Africa) is pleased to endorse Koala and Bunny as an exceptional tool to use with children for teaching correct behaviour.

Michelle Bellion, Director, Sexual Assault Clinic, Benoni, Gauteng, South Africa. http://www.sexualassaultclinic.org

I highly endorse Koala and Bunny to help teach all children the importance of appropriate and protective behaviours. Mary Romero, ‘2014 Executive Woman of the Year’ by NAPW (National Association of Professional Women, USA). http://mmmcconnell.wix.com/live-life-coaching


I am pleased to endorse Koala and Bunny as an essential interchange of information between parents and children and for developing trust and ongoing communication. It fills a niche. Bernard Sanft. (Post Grad. Cert., Youth and Community Work)

I am pleased to endorse Koala and Bunny as a simple, non-confronting way of communicating a message to children to respect their own and other people’s bodies. Dr. Deidre Michell. http://drdee-drdeethinkingoutloud.blogspot.com

Koala and Bunny is straight to the point child protection Derryn Hinch. Child Protection Advocate http://www.hinch.net

Koala and Bunny provides a simple platform for children to have conversations about protective behaviours. Dr Chris Sarra, Executive Director, Stronger Smarter Institute. www.strongersmarter.qut.edu.au

Koala and Bunny is a great way of touching on and dealing with the delicate and sensitive issue of prevention of sexual abuse, while also bringing the message of health and hygiene. Tiga Bayles. General Manager. 98.9fm Brisbane Indigenous Media Association. http://www.989fm.com.au

It is wonderful to see that you have taken this proactive approach and blended it with a useful book for children. I applaud your passion. Mayor Paul Pisasale, City of Ipswich, Queensland, Australia.

Using an analogy, Koala and Bunny instructs children about the types of acts that may constitute sexual abuse. Dr. Kerryann Walsh, PhD, Associate Professor, Centre for Learning Innovation, School of Early Childhood, Faculty of Education, Queensland University of Technology.

I applaud you for the obvious hard work you have put into producing Koala and Bunny. Dr. Leza Muza. B.A. (Psych) (Hons), Psychologist.

Koala and Bunny is a beautiful book. Dr Zofia Piotrowska-Hess.

Excellent, Simple, a fun story and to the point. Not only does it teach the kids to protect themselves against predators, but also to look after their own health and well-being. I read it to my five and eight year old sons. They enjoyed the story and I then explained to them the moral behind the story. Well done. Paul Smith, Father of five, Special Education Teacher.
Foreword

Through two simple stories, “Koala and Bunny” and “Why openings in our bodies are special”, the aim is to help prevent the sexual abuse of children, by making them aware that they have private body parts that no one else is allowed to touch or tickle. When children are old enough to attend to their own hygiene, they should be encouraged to wash and dry the private parts of their bodies themselves. It is hoped that children will learn that although it’s okay for them to touch their own private body parts in private, it is wrong for anyone else to touch, play with, or tickle them and it’s wrong for anyone else to ask them to touch their private body parts. If this happens, you, the parent, need to know. If a child tells you that someone has behaved sexually, please believe the child and inform your child abuse helpline (usually in the emergency section at the front of phone books). Youths and adults who use children for sex need help. When the instigator is another child, you need to work out whether this is normal sexual curiosity, or a sign that the other child has been abused and is re-enacting what happened. Curiosity involves same age children, is short lasting and consists of an equal partnership that usually involves looking (“You show me yours and I’ll show you mine”) rather than touching. If the behaviour involves inserting objects, threats, secrets, porn language, requests for oral sex, tricks, or an older child, it is not normal curiosity and should be reported to the child abuse report line.

Recommended use

1. For young children it is recommended that parents etc., only read “Koala and Bunny” to them. Then use the story of “Why openings in our bodies are special” as a guide to educate in your own way, about the functions and importance of the openings in our bodies. You can use the information in “Why openings in our bodies are special” as the foundation for a quiz to interact with children and bring some fun into the stories. You might ask, “Where do we have openings in our bodies” and “What functions certain openings have”. This is recommended to be more of an effective, gentle and enjoyable approach.

2. Considering the maturity of the child, the complete book may be given or read to children, at the discretion of the parent.

Why openings in our bodies are special

We have openings in our ears that help us to hear and we have openings in our nose that help us to smell. Our mouth is a very special opening because it carries food into our bodies and we have to keep it very clean and healthy. All of our openings are special and we have to take good care of them. Openings help us breathe air into our lungs, eat and digest food, drink, go to the toilet, feed babies, give birth to babies, make babies, hear sounds, smell, taste and talk. Most of the time our openings will look after themselves. One thing we shouldn’t do is touch, or play around with anyone’s openings, because they are very special and the smallest germs can spread inside us and make us sick.

Summary

There is a mass of child protection information available through Government, Child Protection and Health Services, covering topics such as “What a Child should do if someone attempts to touch their private parts”. For children aged five to nine years, schools use Freda Briggs & Michael McVeity’s, “Teaching children to protect themselves”. It is recommended that you seek this type of information and become fully aware of the current procedures offered by child protection professionals. In no way is this book meant to deter children from touching themselves and this is an issue for you to clarify with your children, in your own way. It is hoped that this knowledge will be carried through to adulthood and that older, responsible children, will help educate younger ones.
Once upon a time there were two best friends named Koala and Bunny.

One day Koala was sitting high in a tree enjoying his gum leaves and when he had eaten all the leaves, he dropped the bare twig that was left and it landed on Bunny’s head.
Koala laughed so much he fell out of his tree. Bunny took the twig and stuck it in Koala's nose.
Koala took the twig and stuck it in Bunny’s ear, and now they were both laughing.
Koala and Bunny both became ill because the germs from Koala’s twig got inside their bodies.

After a while the Doctor cleaned all the germs out of Koala’s nose and he was allowed to go home.
Bunny had to see the Doctor for a very long time because the germs went deep into her ears.
Koala and Bunny both got better and learnt to take special care of the openings in their bodies and not to touch anyone else’s openings, because if germs get inside us we can get very sick.
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About the Author

Al Smith is a battler. He’s been an artist for twenty years and has exhibited in some of Brisbane’s finest galleries alongside the likes of Ken Done and Allan “Alfie” Langer. His mentor was the late renowned artist, James Holmyard.

He plays several musical instruments and has recorded cd’s that received acclaim at the Queensland Recording Association Awards. Al’s favorite musical memories include performing with Ray Davies (The Kinks), Lobo, Keith Urban and Author Peter Carey. He’s recorded music with the Legends Alan O’Day, Phil Manning and Quan Yeomans (Mr Regurgatator). He is an honourary member of The Blues Association of The Sunshine Coast and a Full Writer Member of APRA.

He’s been a conservationist for many years and was one of 200 - 300 people who protested to save Mt Nardi Rainforest, Nimbin, in 1976, and this rainforest was the first Rainforest to be saved from destruction in Australia. He has continued in the role of a conservationist and was commended by Midnight Oil frontman Peter Garrett (Minister for the Environment).

The Honourable Neville Bonner, Australia’s First Indigenous Senator was of great assistance in his efforts to establish a native tree seed bank at Mt Annan in 1989. Around this time The Media tagged him “The Treeman”, reporting how he had grown 10,000 Australian native trees in the garage and on the balcony of his unit.

Bin Magic is a Mind Management Technique developed to help a sufferer of Mental Illness and aims to divert unwanted thoughts. It continues to benefit Kids, Parents and Professionals. Bin Magic Brochures are Free to Download.

Al hopes his Child Protection Strategies Koala and Bunny, Rhino and Elephant and Squirrel and Bunny, will help Children become more aware of the Special Parts of their Bodies and the Functions of the Special Parts of their Bodies.

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