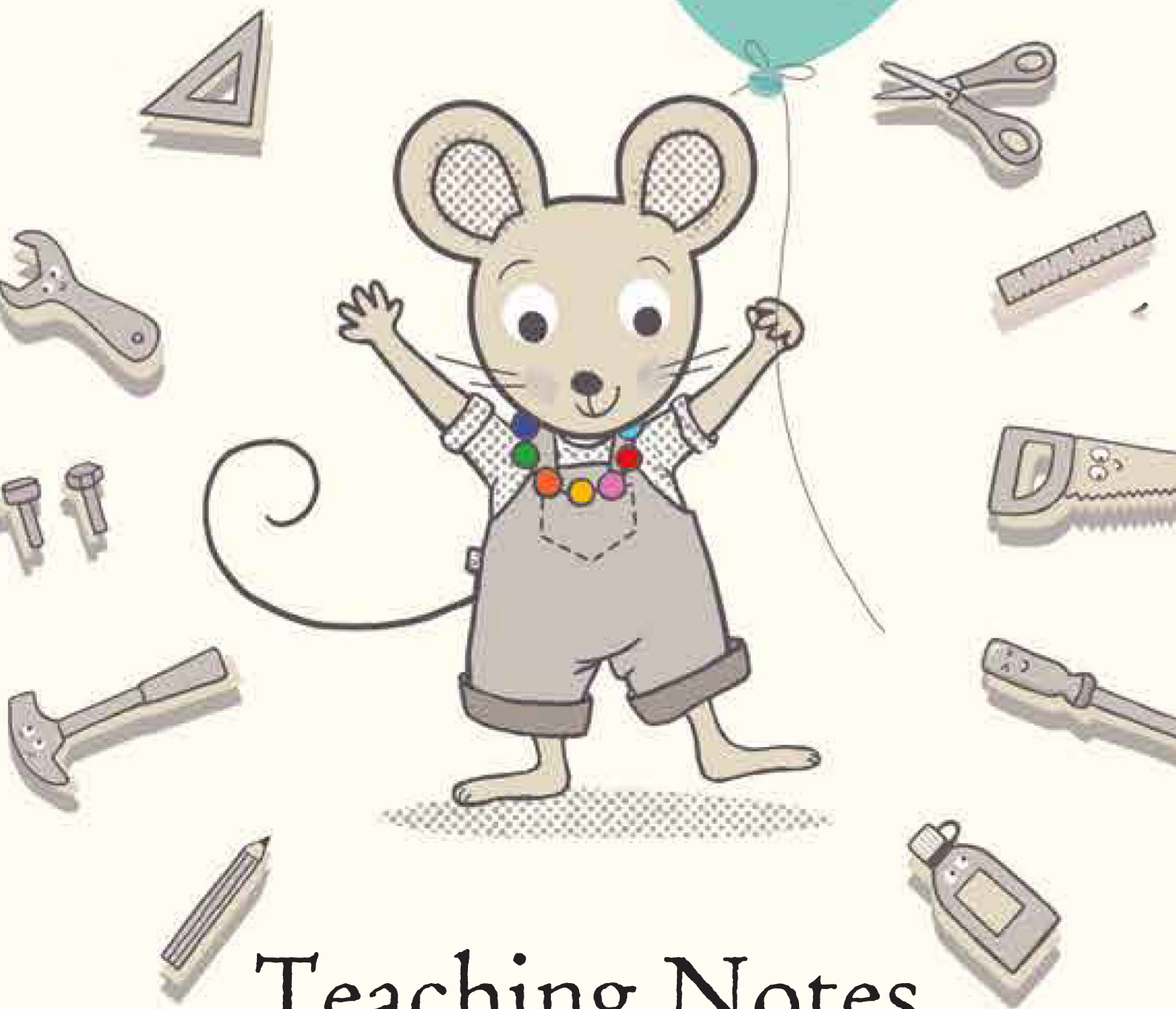


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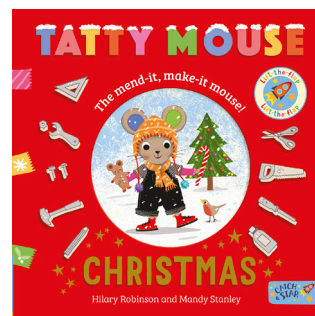
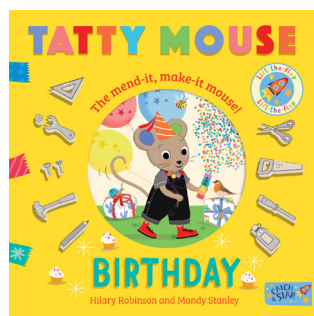
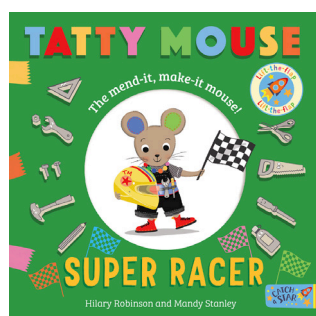
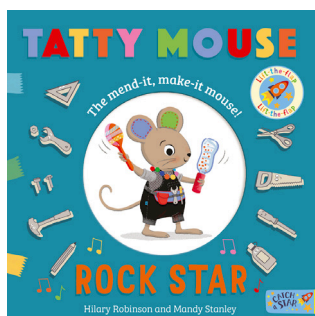
Teaching Notes

Tatty Mouse Series

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ABOUT THE SERIES

A BRILLIANT lift-the-flap board book series for babies and toddlers introducing the need to care for our environment and all the fun ways of doing it. With Hilary Robinson's joyful and rhythmic text coupled with Mandy Stanley's colourful and fun illustrations, Tatty Mouse is a role model for the new generation!

ABOUT THE BOOKS

Tatty Mouse Rock Star: Tatty Mouse is the ULTIMATE RECYCLER. She doesn't like to see anything go to waste and thinks of inventive ways of reusing what others throw away. With her super-cool tool kit and craft box, find out how Tatty Mouse becomes a ROCK STAR!

Tatty Mouse Super Racer: Tatty Mouse is the ULTIMATE RECYCLER. She doesn't like to see anything go to waste and thinks of inventive ways of reusing what others throw away. With her super-cool tool kit and craft box, find out how Tatty Mouse becomes a SUPER RACER!

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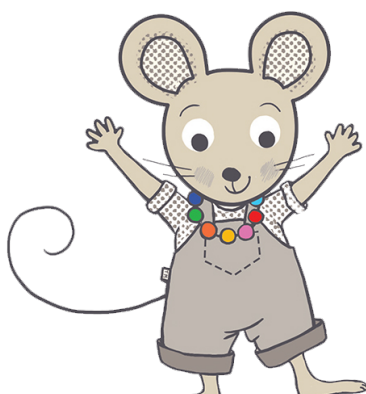
Tatty Mouse Christmas: Tatty Mouse is the ULTIMATE RECYCLER. She doesn't like to see anything go to waste and thinks of inventive ways of reusing what others throw away. With her super-cool tool kit and craft box, find out how Tatty Mouse has a merry CHRISTMAS!

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Hilary Robinson is an author, radio producer, broadcaster and feature writer. She was born in Devon and brought up in Nigeria and England. The author of nearly seventy books for children, she is best known for Mixed Up Fairy Tales. Her books have been translated into a number of languages and are sold across the world. She lives and works in London and Yorkshire.

ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

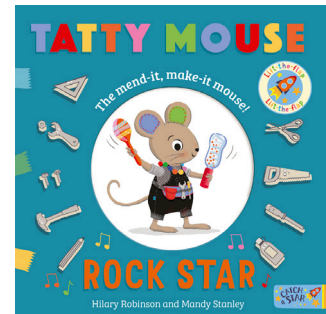
Mandy Stanley is an award-winning illustrator, author and designer who has published more than 200 picture, story and activity books for children. She was born in Suffolk and now works from her studio at home in Beccles.



Tatty Mouse Rock Star

Key learning themes

- Music and sound exploration
- Recycling, upcycling and reusing materials
- Problem-solving and creativity
- Language development (sounds, repetition)



Music and sound exploration

Make reading this book an interactive experience. For example, shake soft rattles while reading or tap your hands on the floor like a drum. Emphasise the sounds, such as 'Bang!', 'Crash!' and 'Rattle!' Babies and toddlers will love this!

Recycling, upcycling and reusing materials

A great starting point to talk about the wider topic of recycling and upcycling although this is more for the 3 year olds. You can recreate some of the items that Tatty Mouse is making using household items. For example, the maracas with rice or pasta and plastic bottles.

Problem-solving and creativity

Ask questions throughout the story. For example, 'What do you think Tatty Mouse is making?' or 'What sounds do the instruments make?' Point to all the details on the pages and talk about what they can see in the pictures.

The 'Can you find ...?' is helpful here.

Language development (sounds, repetition)

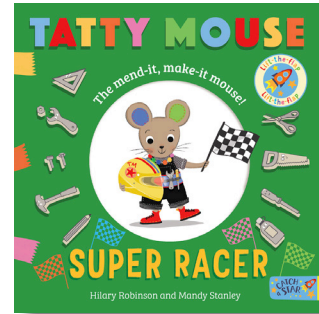
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Tatty Mouse Super Racer

Key learning themes

- Vehicles and sound exploration
- Recycling, upcycling and reusing materials
- Problem-solving and creativity
- Language development (sounds, repetition)



Cars and sound exploration

Make reading this book an interactive experience. For example, pretend to drive a go-kart or even push toy cars on the floor. Emphasise the sounds, such as 'Brum brum!', 'Zoom!' and 'Weee!' Babies and toddlers will love this!

Recycling, upcycling and reusing materials

A great starting point to talk about the wider topic of recycling and upcycling although this is more for the 3 year olds. Look at what Tatty is creating.

Problem-solving and creativity

Ask questions throughout the story. For example, 'What do you think Tatty Mouse is making?' or 'What sounds do Tatty's friends make when they are in the go-karts?' Point to all the details on the pages and talk about what they can see in the pictures. The 'Can you find ...?' is helpful here.

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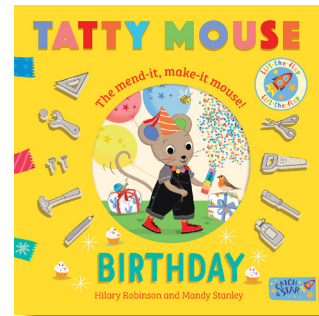
Tatty's in her workshop ...



Tatty Mouse Birthday

Key learning themes

- Birthday and birthday parties
- Recycling, upcycling and reusing materials/Baking
- Problem-solving and creativity
- Language development (sounds, repetition)



Birthday and birthday parties

Most children love birthdays/celebrations – both their own and going to birthday parties. Discuss all the things that happen at birthday parties.

Recycling, upcycling and reusing materials

Tatty Mouse is making a cake for her friend Rabbit Max's birthday. This might be a springboard to go and do some cooking and baking together. There are other craft activities mentioned too, such as making your own wrapping paper and paper party hats, reusing old paper. You can mention recycling/reusing materials here.

Kindness is a big theme in this book because Tatty Mouse is having a surprise party for her friend. Talk about kindness and friendships.

Problem-solving and creativity

Ask questions throughout the story. For example, 'Who are the invitations for?', 'What do you think Tatty Mouse is making?' or 'Why is the party a surprise?' (these questions are more suitable for the 3-year-old readers). Point to all the details on the pages and talk about what they can see in the pictures. The 'Can you find ...?' is helpful here.

Language development (sounds, repetition)

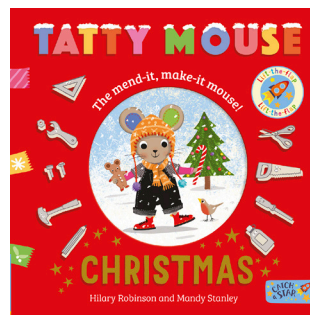
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Tatty Mouse Christmas

Key learning themes

- Christmas celebration
- Recycling, upcycling and reusing materials/Baking
- Problem-solving and creativity
- Language development (sounds, repetition)



Christmas

Talk about Christmas. What do they know about Christmas?

Recycling, upcycling and reusing materials

Tatty Mouse is preparing for Christmas. This might be a good time to look at what Tatty Mouse is making and have a go at making some of the craft objects, such as wreaths, star bunting, stockings or wrapping paper, reusing materials around the house. Or perhaps have fun baking festive mince pies or biscuits.

Kindness is a big theme in this book because Tatty Mouse is having a surprise Christmas party for her friends. Talk about kindness and friendships.

Problem-solving and creativity

Ask questions throughout the story. For example, 'What happens at Christmas time?', 'What do you think Tatty Mouse is making?' or 'Where is the Christmas tree?' (these questions are more suitable for the 3-year-old readers). Point to all the details on the pages and talk about what they can see in the pictures. The 'Can you find ...?' is helpful here.

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