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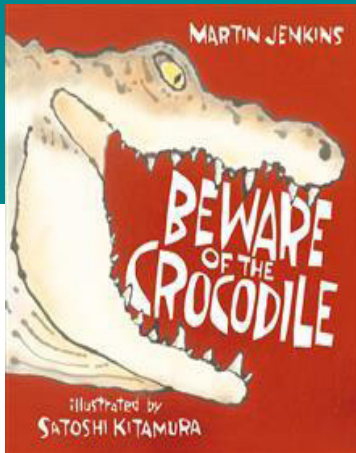
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Book Review

Beware of the Crocodile

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Rating

Excellent

Level

Primary

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29

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Imagine that you notice some squinty eyes and a snout poking out of the water—it is a crocodile waiting for his next meal! *Beware of the Crocodile* is an informational book that discusses the sharp teeth, eating patterns, and care of baby crocodiles. The gruesome details of how a crocodile eats are not included, but descriptive verbs like lunge, splash, and thrash give the reader an idea of what meal time is like. Learning that crocodiles can go weeks without food if they have a large meal is fascinating. Additionally, intriguing facts about how a mother crocodile cares for its babies are sure to warm the heart of any animal lover.

Beware of the Crocodile is an informational book that is great for animal enthusiasts. Anyone that is interested in learning more about crocodiles will not be disappointed. This book is appropriate for primary-age children. It does imply that the meal time for a crocodile is somewhat violent but does not go into specific detail about it. Children will also learn that mother crocodiles lay eggs and take care of the babies until they have grown up. The tone of this story is scientific and educational. There is also an index in the back of the book to research specific topics as well as links to websites that have more information about crocodiles.