



The Runaway Nose

Topic: Circus

Curriculum link: SOSE

Text type: Narrative

Reading level: 23

Word count: 639

Vocabulary: adjusted, cannon, circus, costume, crowd, enormous, hopeless, nonsense, ordinary, runaway, somersaulted, tightrope, trapeze

Possible literacy focus

Understanding illustrative devices, such as the use of words and arrows.

Keeping track of events in a story.

Investigating the use of adjectives in the text.

Summary

This book is a humorous story about the chaos caused when a clown's red nose decides to run away just before the show starts.

Task Card

Clown mask with runaway nose



You will need:

paper, cardboard, coloured paper, cellophane, scrap material, pipe cleaners, elastic, glue, sticky tape, pencils, felt-tip pens

1. Look carefully at the illustrations in *The Runaway Nose* to see clown faces.
2. Think about what you want on your clown mask. Think about how to make a separate nose that can run away.
3. Gather all the materials you need to make your mask and nose.
4. Use your mask and nose to tell your own runaway nose story.





Name _____

Contractions

Cut out the contractions and paste each one next to its matching words.

Contraction	Words
that's	can not
I'll	we will
don't	I have
can't	that is
didn't	did not
we'll	I will
I've	do not

Look for other contractions and write them here.

Contraction	Words



Name _____

Story cube

On each face of the cube, draw or describe a character or an episode from *The Runaway Nose*.

