

## **Barney**

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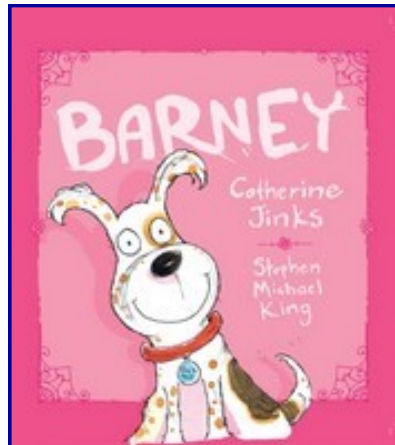
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Barney loves cat food.

Barney loves greens.

Barney loves bacon and biscuits and beans...



### **Themes:**

- Dogs
- Family Pets
- Food
- Mischief
- Love

### **Discussion Questions:**

- Before you read the story, look at the cover. Describe the sort of dog that you think Barney might be, and why.
- After reading the story, was your prediction of Barney's personality correct?
- Do you have a dog or another pet? If so, how would you describe them?
- Why do you think the family cat didn't do all the mischievous things that Barney did?
- Play a recall game with all the things that Barney liked. Try and remember them all, in the correct order that they appeared in the story.
- Do you think all the things that Barney ate would be good for dogs? Discuss this as a class.
- What type of dog do you think Barney is?
- Even though Barney seemed to get in a lot of trouble, the family still loved him. How and why do pets become a part of our families?
- How did Barney show that he loved his family back?

### **Activities:**

- As a class, design and draw your own giant maze. Include pictures of as many of the foods that Barney liked to eat as you can.
- Choose your favourite scene of Barney eating something and paint your own version of it.