

Glitch

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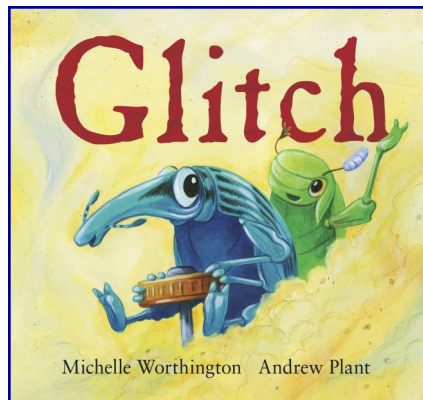
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**PICTURE BOOK OF
THE MONTH**

Glitch spends his life searching through mountains of mouldy mess at the dump. He wants to make the fastest billycart ever. This year, he will be competing in the Big Race! But will his twitch stop him from winning?



Themes:

- Reduce, reuse, recycle
- Bravery
- Bugs
- Friendship
- Overcoming anxiety
- Helping others

Discussion Questions:

- How many different types of bugs can you see in the story? Can you name any of them?
- What were the differences in personality traits between Glitch and June? Who do you think you are more like and why?
- What type of things did Glitch collect to make his billycart? Do you like to make things from other objects that you find?
- Is it important that we re-use things? As a class, come up with a list of all the different things that you could re-use and/or make into something different.
- Why had Glitch and June never finished a billycart race?
- How did Glitch react when June said that he was going to have to drive the billycart? What emotions do you think he was feeling?
- Why do you think June was going to make him drive the billycart?
- What does this tell you about June?
- 'Don't let being scared stop you'. Can you recall a time when you felt scared to do something? Who helps you when you find yourself in this type of situation?
- Do you think Glitch was brave to drive the billycart? Explain.
- Even though Glitch and June didn't win the race, Glitch was still happy. Why do you think he was happy?

Activities:

- Choose an object that you think would be fun to make. Search around your house to see what things you can find that you could use to build it. Think of some of the objects that Glitch found (ask Mum and Dad first before you use them though!)
- Think of some items that people discard. Paint your own picture of a billycart, using these items as inspiration. Include an image of your favourite bug from the story as the driver.