

# Tom Tom Cloze Activity 1

Complete these sentences using the correct word from the text.

five his Tom him Springs  
three Tom six mothers

1. Tom Tom lives at Lemonade \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. Sometimes his mother calls him \_\_\_\_\_, and sometimes she calls \_\_\_\_\_ Tommy.
3. But his two sisters and \_\_\_\_\_ brothers call him Tom \_\_\_\_\_.
4. His four brother-cousins and \_\_\_\_\_ sister-cousins, both his grandmothers and grandfathers, his other two \_\_\_\_\_ and four fathers, his three aunts and \_\_\_\_\_ uncles, his twenty-two cousins and all \_\_\_\_\_ other relatives call him Tom Tom, too.

## Tom Tom Cloze Activity 2

Complete these sentences using the correct word from the text.

and      Lemonade      brothers      just  
swing      way      cool      branch

1. Every day Tom Tom, his \_\_\_\_\_ and sisters, his brother-cousins and sister-cousins \_\_\_\_\_ his other cousins swim in the \_\_\_\_\_ Springs.
2. The water in the Lemonade Springs tastes \_\_\_\_\_ like ... water.
3. The children love to \_\_\_\_\_ on an old rope tied to the \_\_\_\_\_ of a paperbark tree.
4. They swing \_\_\_\_\_, way out and fall SPLASH into the \_\_\_\_\_, clear water of the spring.

## Tom Tom Cloze Activity 3

Complete these sentences using the correct word from the text.

Granny      eggs      camp      swimming      lift

Granny      house      tin      damper      tea

1. When he is tired from \_\_\_\_\_, Tom Tom walks back up to \_\_\_\_\_ Annie's house at the bottom .  
\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Granny Annie's \_\_\_\_\_ is made of tin.
3. She cooks him crumbed steak and \_\_\_\_\_ for lunch.
4. At night time he gets a \_\_\_\_\_ with Uncle Harry up to \_\_\_\_\_ May's house at the top camp.
5. Granny May's house is made of \_\_\_\_\_.
6. She cooks him fried \_\_\_\_\_ and makes him a pannikin of \_\_\_\_\_ for his supper.

## Tom Tom Cloze Activity 4

Complete these sentences using the correct word from the text.

Granny      eggs      camp      swimming      lift

Granny      house      tin      damper      tea

1. Tom Tom sleeps at \_\_\_\_\_ May's house.
2. He snuggles up \_\_\_\_\_ Granny May and Grandfather \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. They shut the windows to \_\_\_\_\_ the debil-debils out.
4. When he wakes up, Tom Tom gets \_\_\_\_\_ for pre-school.
5. He washes in the big laundry \_\_\_\_\_ and runs to get some clean clothes hanging on the \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Tom Tom Cloze Activity 5

Complete these sentences using the correct word from the text.

camp

little

into

bottom

from

black

May

likes

pan

1. His teacher Miss Jess drives around in a \_\_\_\_\_ white bus.
2. She picks him up at the top \_\_\_\_\_ and drives down to the \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. At pre-school Tom Tom \_\_\_\_\_ to paint.
4. He paints a picture of the red-tailed \_\_\_\_\_ cockatoo, ku tek.
5. The black cockatoos watch him \_\_\_\_\_ high up in the stringybark \_\_\_\_\_ .
6. He plays with dough and makes it \_\_\_\_\_ damper, just like Granny \_\_\_\_\_ , and pretends to cook it in the frying \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Tom Tom Cloze Activity 6

Complete these sentences using the correct word from the text.

Miss    cubby    fire    old    dog  
visit    Granny    damper

1. Tom Tom always plays in the Aboriginal \_\_\_\_\_ house made out of sticks and paperbark.
2. He makes a pretend \_\_\_\_\_ from wood and orange paper, and imagines he is living in the \_\_\_\_\_ days.
3. When pre-school is finished Tom Tom asks \_\_\_\_\_ Jess to drop him at his \_\_\_\_\_ Annie's camp.
4. Tom Tom loves to \_\_\_\_\_ Granny Annie.
5. He pats her best goanna \_\_\_\_\_, Vegemite, and feeds him on old pieces of \_\_\_\_\_.

## Tom Tom Cloze Activity 7

Complete these sentences using the correct word from the text.

big      long      tracks      kids  
sand      big      hot      the

1. After a while, Tom Tom and all the \_\_\_\_\_ head for the Lemonade Springs.

2. They walk along the wallaby \_\_\_\_\_ that lead down the riverbank,

through the \_\_\_\_\_ grass ...

over the \_\_\_\_\_ rocks ...

across the gully ...

down the \_\_\_\_\_ bank ...

and into \_\_\_\_\_ water.

3. The day is \_\_\_\_\_ but the water is cold.

## Tom Tom Cloze Activity 8

Complete these sentences using the correct word from the text.

water

swims

kids

deep

roots

touch

1. Tom Tom dives down \_\_\_\_\_ , past the stripeys swimming among the pandanus \_\_\_\_\_ , reaching out to where the \_\_\_\_\_ bubbles out of the earth.
2. One day, when he's bigger, he will \_\_\_\_\_ the bottom ...
3. But now he \_\_\_\_\_ back to the top and splashes in the sunlight with the other \_\_\_\_\_ .