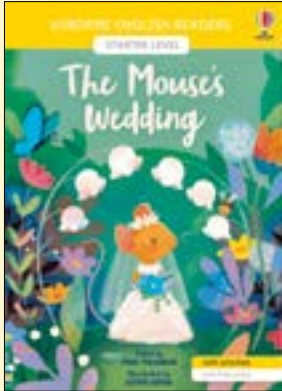


The Mouse's Wedding



This **lesson plan** is centred around *The Mouse's Wedding* from the Starter Level of the Usborne English Readers series. It is suitable for students on low level A1 of the CEFR framework.



BEFORE READING

- Show your students the cover of the book whilst covering the title with your hand. Point to things in the picture (the mouse, the flowers, the dress). Ask questions, for example: *What kind of animal is this? Why is she dressed like this? Is she happy?*
- Once you have revealed the title, ask the children if they know the story. What do they know? What can they guess?
- Introduce them to the important words in the story:
 - **Mouse, mice** (n) a very small animal with a long tail.
 - **Wedding** (n) when two people get married, they have a wedding.
 - **Hide** (v) when you hide something, you stop people from seeing it.
 - **Cloud** (n) clouds are in the sky. Rain comes from clouds.
 - **Wind** (n) air moving quickly in the sky or over the land and sea.



DURING READING

- Read the story or play the recording (using the QR code at the beginning of the book) of pages 3-5 to your students. After you have finished, ask them some questions about the extract you have just read such as 'Who is in the mouse family?', 'What does Father Mouse want to find for his daughter?' and 'Where do the mice go to meet to the sun?'
- If your students don't have their own copies of the book, do pause to show them the illustrations as you read, or show them while the audio is playing.
- Repeat this process after every few pages of the book to test your students' comprehension of the story, and encourage them to make a note of new vocabulary.

AFTER READING

- Hold up the book and show your students pages 14 and 15. Point to things in the picture and ask your students to name the things you are pointing to, encouraging everyone in the class to participate.
- Afterwards, put your students into pairs and ask them to complete the activities at the back of the book ([page 17-21](#)) or you can ask them to complete the tasks as homework. You can download [black and white](#) or [colour](#) copies of these activities from our website.