

Albert and Little Henry

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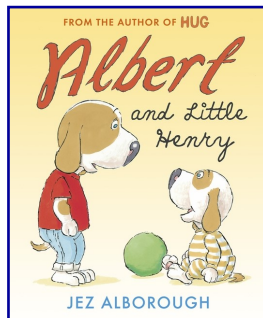
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Join Albert as he learns to love his baby brother in Jez Alborough's heart warming picture book about welcoming new siblings.

Albert is not a little puppy any more, Albert is a big dog! But when his baby brother Henry comes along, something very strange happens... he starts to feel small. Discover how Albert learns to feel big again in this adorable tale about new siblings, from the award-winning author of *Hug*.



Themes:

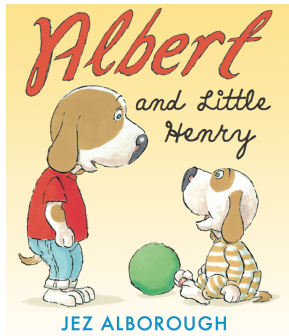
- Adjusting to a new sibling
- Families
- Feeling ignored

Discussion Points:

- Do you have younger brothers or sisters? Were you old enough to remember when they were born? If so, how did you feel when they were born? Did you feel like Albert did when Little Henry was born?
- Do you think that this a natural reaction to change within a family?
- What other events might happen in life that cause families to change what they do in their daily routines?
- Do you think that Albert's Mum and Dad, and then other members of his family ignored him on purpose? What were the things they had to do with Little Henry that stopped them giving Albert so much attention?
- Why do you think that Albert felt small when he was ignored? Have you ever been in a situation when you have felt this way? How did Albert start to feel big again?
- Why was the present that Albert's Mum gave him so special? What does this story remind us about our families?

Activity:

- Albert loved to make up stories that started with 'Once upon a time..'. Make up your own short story about something that you like.
- Attached is a colouring page and a sheet where your students can draw their own 'shrinking' Albert.



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Albert is shrinking, can you copy the picture and draw him at a smaller size in the space below?



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Albert

