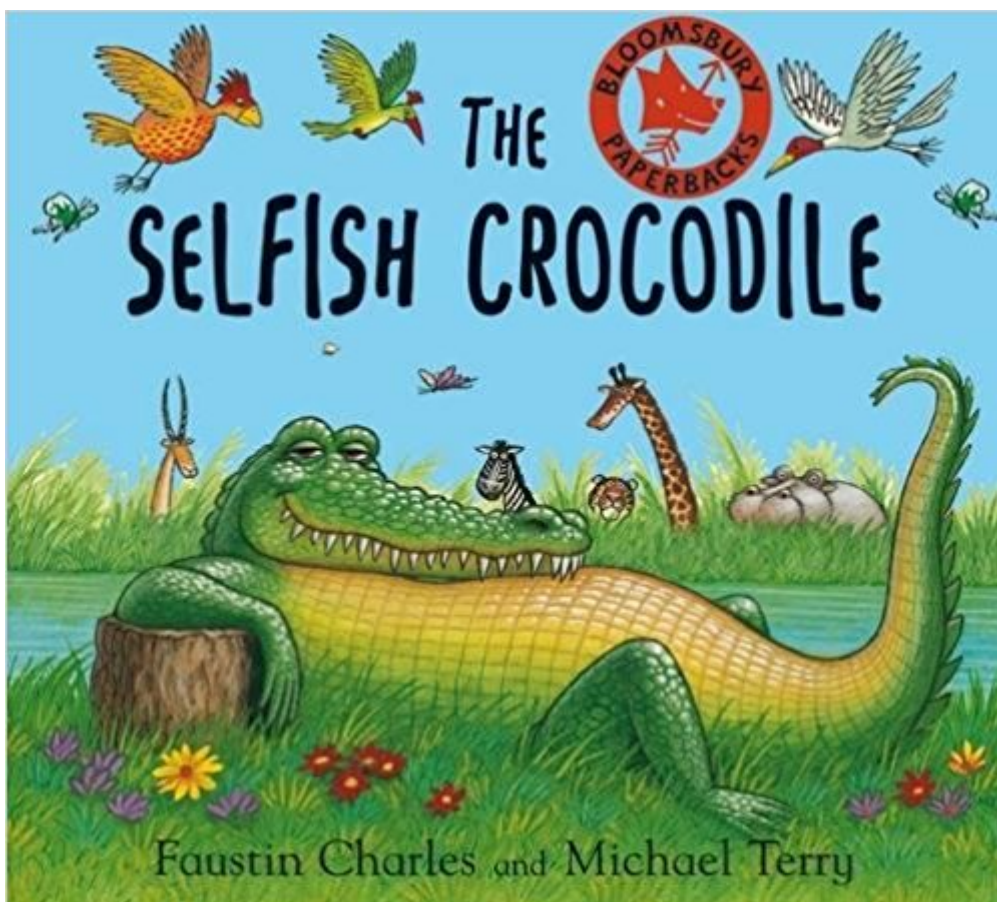


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# The Selfish Crocodile



## Synopsis

Every morning a very large and very snappy crocodile shouts this selfish message: 'Stay away from my river! It's MY river! If you come in my river, I'll eat you all!' The animals in the forest don't know what to do. They are frightened of the crocodile. Even the fish, tadpoles, frogs, crabs and crayfish stay out of the water. Until one day the creatures are woken by a loud groaning sound which turns out to be the selfish crocodile in a lot of pain, and the smallest of them all, a little mouse, finds a way to solve their snappy dilemma! Astoundingly bright, bold illustrations bring to life all the wonderful creatures of the forest in a rainbow of colours. The Author: Faustin Charles is a renowned poet and story-teller. His collection of Afro-Caribbean rhymes was published to great success by Puffin. This is his first picture book text. Bloomsbury Children's Books are also publishing his first poetry collection in October 1998, establishing Faustin as a Bloomsbury author across the board. Faustin spends much time in schools and libraries story-telling, and is also Library Buyer for Enfield. He lives in North London. The Illustrator: Mike Terry is most well-known for his wonderful cover illustrations for Dick King-Smith, including *The Hodgeheg* and *The Sheep-Pig* (the basis for the successful film *Babe*). This is his first picture book. Mike lives in Hythe, Kent.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

In a river deep in the forest lives a large and very selfish crocodile who claims the river belongs to him alone and warns the other creatures to stay away or he'll eat them. He spends his life alone until one day he gets a toothache. Nobody dares help him until a brave mouse ventures in and pulls the tooth. The crocodile is so grateful that they become good friends, and the crocodile, having discovered the wonders of friendship, invites the other creatures back to the river, where they grow quite fond of him. This lesson in friendship is presented with hilarious, large, bright illustrations, making it perfect for reading aloud to groups. Helen Rosenberg --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

'The illustrations are wonderfully expressive, and it's a simple tale with a good moral that deserves retelling - night, after night, after night!' Practical Parenting --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Nice book touching on themes of bullying, empathy, sharing and sense of community. We read this in my 1st grade class near the beginning of the year to promote developing a sense of community and everyone's responsibility to take care of our classroom resources, materials, etc. The students naturally extended the idea to the greater community around us.

A very good childrens book to read for child or to be read to.

Happy librarian - needed book found here! Hope the teachers and students are happy with them, too! The only downside is that I must catalogue them myself, but it is worth the time and effort to be able to get materials not available elsewhere at these prices!

Odd tone to the book, animals hope that the crocodile will die. We haven't continued to read this to our toddler.

We love this book!!!

Great classic book, can be supplemented with online worksheets to deepen the learning experience.

My 3 year old loves this book. Very cute, enchanting and teaches a wonderful lesson well.

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