

AMAZING ANIMALS



Characters

Narrator
Brian
Mom

Wolf
Dolphin
Hummingbird

Setting

This reader's theater takes place at Brian's house.



Act 1

Narrator: This is the tale of a boy who loves animals.

Brian: "Animals are amazing, Mom! According to this book, sea otters can float on their backs."

Mom: "That's nice, Brian. But we need to talk. I found tadpoles in a drinking glass."

Brian: "Mom, did you know that sea otters can smash clam shells open with rocks?"

Mom: "Brian, I'm glad you like animals, but our house is not a zoo."

Narrator: Brian didn't hear his mom. He was too busy reading about sea otters.

Brian: "The sea otter doesn't have blubber. It has fur instead. The fur traps in air so that the otter's skin doesn't get wet."

Mom: "Brian, put down that book! You have too many animals around here."



Song: Animals Everywhere



Brian: “But Mom . . .”

Mom: “Zach’s mom called this morning. She was very upset. Do not take any more snakes to his house. Do you understand?”

Brian: “But Mom . . .”

Mom: “And the principal called today, too. Do not take any more slugs to school for Show-and-Tell. Do you understand?”

Brian: “But Mom . . .”

Mom: “We need to make some changes around here. Your animals are taking over our lives!”

Brian: “But Mom, animals are amazing!”

Mom: “Maybe so, but we can only afford one animal right now.”

Brian: “How am I going to choose just one?”

Mom: “That’s up to you. But I mean what I say. One amazing animal is all we can handle.”

Narrator: Brian felt sad that night as he got into bed. He looked around his room at all of his amazing animals.

Brian: “Well, little fireflies, I guess I’ll have to turn you loose.”

Narrator: Then, Brian’s mom came to tuck in her son.

Mom: “Good night, Brian.”

Brian: “Sorry, Mom. I did get a little carried away.”

Mom: “Go to sleep now. You can make your decision in the morning.”

Brian: “Good night, Mom.”

Mom: “Sweet dreams, son.”

