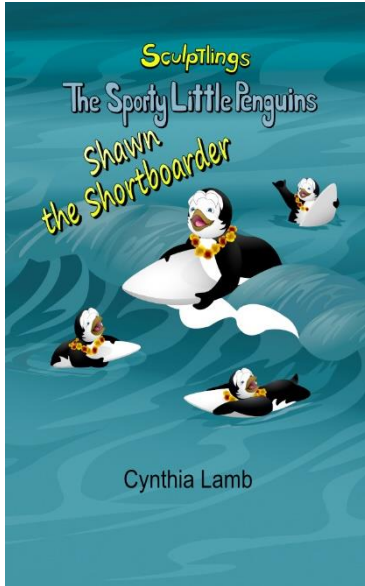


The Sporty Little Penguins Series

Shawn the Shortboarder

Inspirational Book that uses Metaphors to Describe Life's Challenges.



Shawn the Shortboarder is an inspirational book with positive quotes and encouraging words for kids. Shawn helps kids live in the moment and to have a positive mind set about their daily challenges and circumstances with metaphors.

Shawn's inspiring message is about having a positive perspective on life. Shawn the Shortboarder encourages kids to not giving up and to keep trying because they will conquer each wave!

Book Topics

- Quotes on Thinking Positive
- Uses Surfing Metaphors
- How to Handle a "Wave" or Problems
- How to Overcome Everyday Anxiety
- Dealing with Stressful Situations with a Positive Mind Set

Ideas for how to review this book with kids 4-5:

- Discuss what a metaphor is.
- Review each sentence and what Shawn means by the words that he uses.
- **A Big Wave**, Waves of problems.
- **To Surf**, Surfing through life. Getting through the day without worrying.

Tips on Topics and Discussions for Advanced Readers for Kids 6-8:

- What does the word "Wave" stand for in the story?
- What type of "waves" are there?
- How do you "surf through life" being happy?
- What could the current represent?
- What does Shawn tell us to do when a "big wave" is coming down on us?
- What does Shawn mean when he says "Living in the moment"?
- What does "if you fall down and tumble around once or twice" mean?

Compare Books

Try comparing the story Shawn the Shortboarder with other Sculptlings Books, such as Joe the Snowboarder and compare the 2 messages.

- Try comparing the characters and their lessons. How are they different? How are they the same? (Example: Both Shawn and Joe have a positive perspective on life.)