



Blurb

After a stormy night, a farmer searching for his lost calf finds a baby eagle that has been blown out of its nest. He takes it home and raises it with his chickens. But when his friend comes to visit one day, he tells the farmer that an eagle should be flying high in the sky, not scrabbling on the ground for grain. How the farmer's friend proves that the bird is an eagle and destined to fly to the sun, is humorously retold by Christopher Gregorowski. Niki Daly's bright water colour illustrations breath life into this powerful and uplifting tale.

Something about the Author

Christopher Gregorowski worked for many years among the Xhosa people in Transkei, South Africa, as an Anglican priest. There he discovered the story of Fly, Eagle, Fly in the biography of Aggrey of Africa, who visited West and Southern Africa in the 1920s from his teaching post in North America. He decided to rewrite the story for his terminally ill daughter, Rosalind. Christopher is Bishop of Table Bay in South Africa.



SPaG Focus

- Proper nouns** - A proper noun is a specific name for a particular person, place, or thing. It always begins with a capital letter.
- Prefixes** - A prefix is a string of letters that are added to the beginning of a root word, changing its meaning. Each prefix has a meaning (e.g., un- means not, sub- means under, mis- means wrong or badly).
- Adjectives** - Adjectives are words used to describe and give more information about a noun, which could be a person, place or object.
- Time conjunctions**- words that tell use when something happened.
- Fronted Adverbials** - fronted adverbials are words or phrases at the beginning of a sentence, used to describe the action that follows.

Genre Features – Traditional Tale

- Prediction** - A prediction is a statement that someone makes about what they think is going to happen.
- Inference**- a conclusion reached on the basis of evidence and reasoning.
- Scanning**- look at all parts of something carefully in order to detect some feature.
- Summarising** - give a brief statement of the main points of something.
- Questions and statement sentences** – Answering questions by stating facts.

Vocabulary

Ablaze- burning fiercely.

Cattle- a group of animals that includes cows, buffalo, and bison, that are often kept for their milk or meat:

Clasp-grasp (something) tightly with one's hand.

Cradle- 1.a baby's bed or cot, typically one mounted on rockers.

2. Hold gently and protectively.

Crevice- a narrow opening or fissure, especially in a rock or wall.

Echo- a sound or sounds caused by the reflection of sound waves from a surface back to the listener.

Fetch-go for and then bring back (someone or something) for someone.

Huddle-crowd together; nestle closely.

Hut- a small, simple, single-storey house or shelter.

Insist-demand something forcefully, not accepting refusal.

Ledge- a narrow horizontal surface projecting from a wall, cliff, or other surface.

Sway- move or cause to move slowly or rhythmically backwards and forwards or from side to side.

Thatch- a roof covering of straw, reeds, palm leaves, or a similar material.