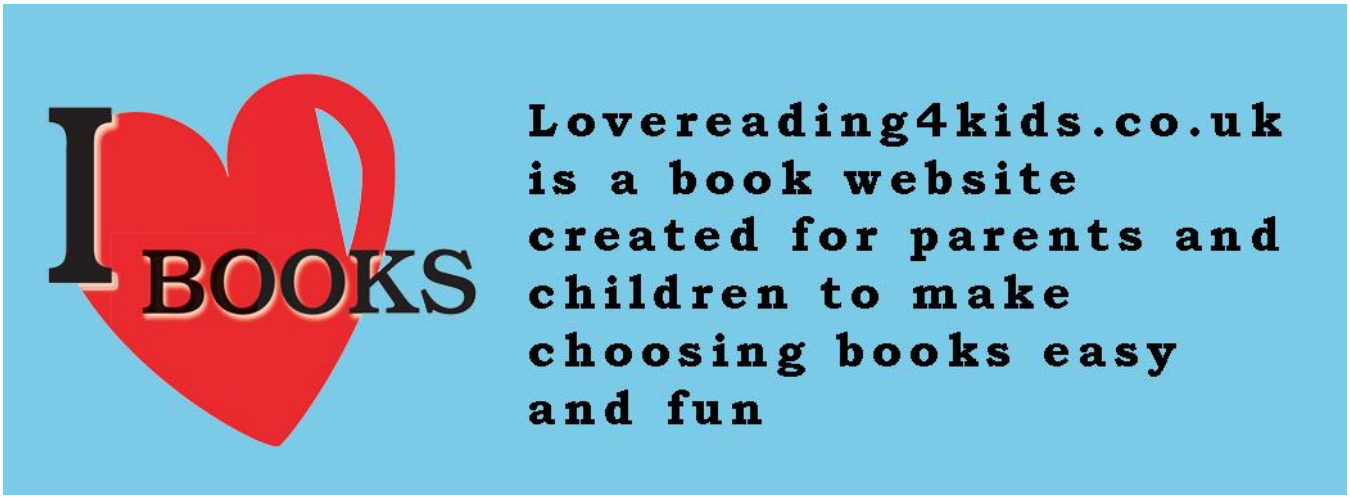

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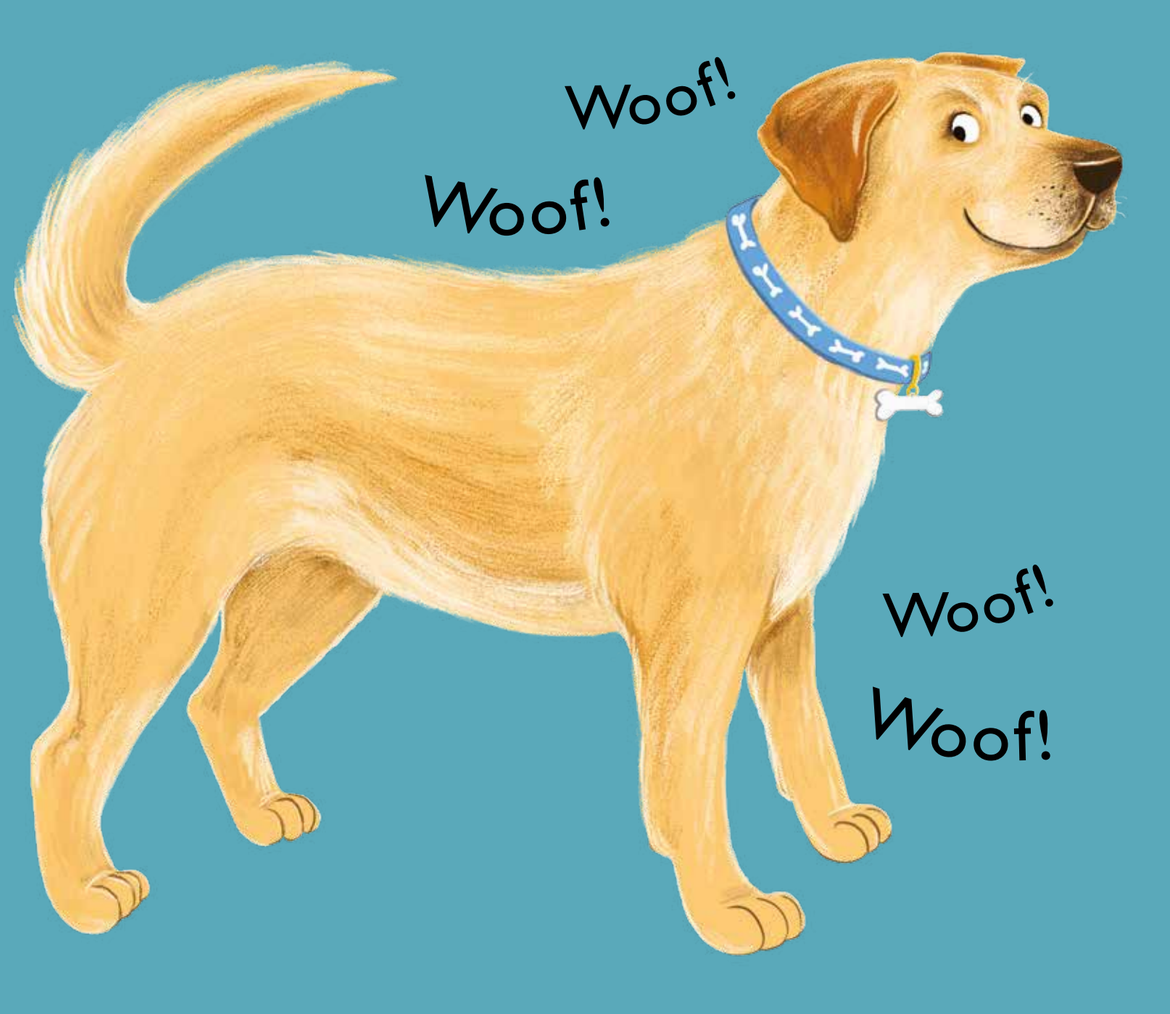
It's a

LABRADOR

I am a playful, family dog –
I'll have fun at the park.
My coat is thick, my tail is strong,
I have a mighty bark.

Just throw a ball and I can catch –
fetch is the game for me.
I run so fast and jump up high,
what great agility!



It's a SHEEPDOG

My eyes are covered by my fringe,
it's very long and shaggy.
My tail is at the other end,
it's rather short and waggy.

I run around to herd the sheep –
I work hard every day!
But when I'm with my family
I mostly like to play.

It's a BULLDOG

My face might look ferocious as
I've got a big, square head.
But really I am gentle and
like snoring in my bed.

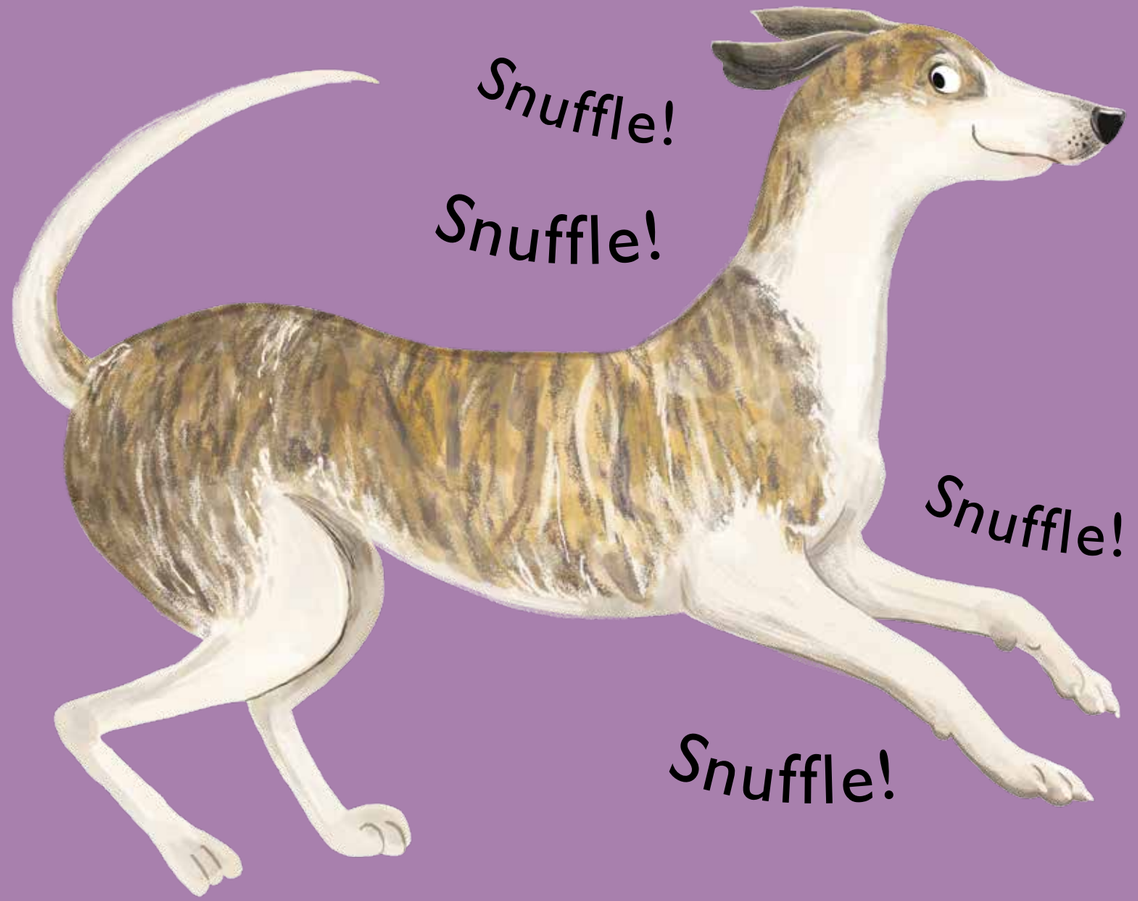
Don't giggle at my stocky legs –
I waddle as I run.
I don't like playing games of fetch,
But taking naps is fun!

It's a
DACHSHUND

I'm sometimes called a sausage dog
but I'm still rather proud.
I'm noisy and I bark a lot –
in fact, I'm rather loud.

I like to run down rabbit holes –
I fit because I'm small.
With my short legs I can dig well,
and chase after a ball.

It's a WHIPPET

With graceful lines and slender curves,
my body's built for speed.
So, when you take me on a walk,
please hold tight to my lead!

I am an athlete – fit and fast,
and I just love to chase.
So if I see a rabbit, then
I'm bound to win the race.