Helping your children choose books they will love

I reading

Lovereading4kids.co.uk is a book website created for parents and children to make choosing books easy and fun

Opening extract from

Elmer and Super El

Written by

David McKee

Published by

Andersen Press Ltd

All Text is Copyright © of the Author and/or Illustrator

Please print off and read at your leisure.

Lovereading4kids.co.uk

For Super Amélie, Super Flynn and Super Blake

First published in Great Britain in 2011 by Andersen Press Ltd.,
20 Vauxhall Bridge Road, London SW1V 2SA.
Published in Australia by Random House Australia Pty.,
Level 3, 100 Pacific Highway, North Sydney, NSW 2060.
Text and Illustration copyright © David McKee, 2011
The rights of David McKee to be identified as the author and illustrator
of this work have been asserted by him in accordance with
the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act, 1988.
All rights reserved.
Colour separated in Switzerland by Photolitho AG, Zürich.
Printed and bound in Singapore by Tien Wah Press.
David McKee works in gouache.

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

British Library Cataloguing in Publication Data available.

ISBN 978 1 84939 335 5

This book has been printed on acid-free paper

ELMER and SUPER EL



David McKee

Andersen Press

Elmer, the patchwork elephant, was taking his morning walk when he heard an "Oh no!" Looking round, he spotted a small elephant dressed in an outfit that he recognized. "Hello, Super El," Elmer said with a smile. "What's the problem?"

"Look," said the small elephant, showing his torn outfit. "That thorn bush attacked me! If I'm seen like this, I'll be laughed at. That's not very super."

"Aunt Zelda will soon fix that," said Elmer. "We'll just have to make sure that you're not seen. Our first problem will be to pass the elephants. I'll distract them. Come on. It will be fun!"

Elmer went to the elephants and called out,
“I’ve just heard a good joke, listen.”
The elephants all looked at him.
“There was an elephant, a lion and a fish . . .”
he began. “Oh dear, I’ve forgotten the rest!”
“That’s a good one,” the elephants laughed.
“Elephants never forget!”
Meanwhile Super El slipped past unnoticed.