

A Stone for Sascha – Aaron Becker

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Before reading

About this book

A girl loses her dog. On holiday at the seaside she finds a special stone. The stone appears to have been through a lot already. The girl gives the stone a special place.



During reading

Create a story together in 1-2-3 times

1. Explore the book together

Enjoy the images, be amazed by the story and ask each other the basic questions on every page:

- What do you see? What happens?
- How do you see that?
- What else do you see?

2. Questions to talk about together

- Describe what happens at the start of the story.
- How can you tell that the stone is very special?
- Suppose you were the stone. Where would you like to stay longer? Why?

3. Think together about what the characters feel, think and say

The child loses her dog. What do the parents say to her?

The stone travels a long way, at some point it is even sold. What do people say to each other?

Learn new words together

We thought of these words as we read the story. Look at the words. They mean the same in Dutch and English, but they are written and pronounced differently.

Now choose one of the English words. Can you find the word in the book? Talk about this word together in your preferred language. What do you know about this word? Name as many words as you can that belong to this word (in your preferred language).

Now think of a word that appears in the book and write it down together in both languages. Name everything you know about this word.

English	Dutch	English	Dutch
to comfort	troosten	to bury	begraven
to say goodbye	afscheid nemen	the shallow	het ondiepe
the statue	het beeld	sacred	heilig
to sell	verkopen	the battle	de strijd
the robbers	de rovers	to sink	zinken
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After reading

Tell me... Continuing to talk together: questions for the oldest reader

Have you ever found something that was very valuable to you? What was it?

Have you ever lost something that you were very sad about?

Do an activity together

Draw the valuable object you once found. Write down exactly what happened when you found it.