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## **Real Special News**

We have a limited special offer on the sets of five Jenny Mosley Golden Rules books (until 31.07.10).

Jenny Mosley is the world acclaimed creator of Circle Time etc. Her vision is "achieving excellence through building self-esteem".

She has, over the past twenty five years, developed her highly successful school and classroom management models based upon a background of teaching experience, research and collaboration between the Consultancy, (UK) Local Education Authorities and schools.

Jenny's key model, Quality Circle Time (QCT), encompasses a whole-school approach to enhancing self-esteem and building positive relationships in your school communities.

Jenny has found the key to behaviour management with her Golden Time system for positive behaviour management.

This system is used by UK schools up and down the country as an incentive for children and a celebration of positive behaviour within the whole school community.

Jenny and her team have produced a range of story books for primary schools that reinforce the 6 golden rules of behavior.

The books feature delightful animal characters, e.g. Elsa Elephant, Gino Giraffe, Zelda Zebra and Miss Beanie the teacher. Each book has approximately 32 pages.

## **What are the Golden Rules?**

To quote Jenny:

*"The Golden Rules are universal moral values. If you were to ask children and adults across the world what rules they wanted to live by all their answers would fall naturally into the six rules we have chosen."*

We are Honest...We Don't Cover up the Truth.

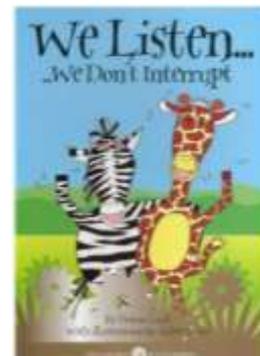
We Work Hard...We Do Not Waste Time.

We Are Gentle...We Don't Hurt Others.

We Listen...We Don't Interrupt.

We Are Kind and Helpful...We Do Not Hurt Other People's Feelings.

We Look After Property ...We Do Not Damage Things.



*Zelda is a Zebra who doesn't wait to hear the end of a sentence. Will Gino the giraffe ever manage to announce his important news?*

*Share this engaging story while teaching an important Golden Rule.*

## **SPECIAL LOW PRICE!**

Complete set of six A5 books:

Normally \$108 + GST, total \$121.50

Now \$80 + GST, total \$90 saving **\$31.50!**

## Featured websites



This month's choices are:

Free birdhouse and feeder patterns

Free online picture books

Free 'Job Hunters' guide

### Free birdhouse and feeder patterns

<http://www.craftybirds.com/>

This website has loads of free bird themed crafts, from making bird feeders to birdhouse quilt patterns!

Most of the birdhouse patterns require carpentry skills but there is an easy idea for making a birdfeeder by trimming a pinecone and dipping it in suet that children can make – a wonderful way for them to help feed the birds this winter.

The craftybirds resources include patterns for: Bird houses, bird feeders, quilt patterns, gourd birdhouses, houses, etc., butterfly house plans, etc.

If you click on the 'Bird Feeder Plans' section, it will come up with another selection, including Bird feeders for Kids. Click on that and you will get instructions on how to make feeders from pine cones!



## Free online picture books

<http://www.childrensbooksforever.com>

Hans Wilhelm, the author of the Tyrone the Dinosaur series and other wonderful picture books, has set up a website where you can download and read all the books for free!

You can also use them on SmartBoard, PowerPoint and overhead projectors.

Currently there are also Tyrone books in 12 foreign languages, including Japanese, German and French etc.



### Free 'Job Hunters' guide

<http://www.trademe.co.nz/Trade-me-jobs/Job-hunters-guide/index.htm>

If you are looking for a job, you may find this free series of articles and videos from Trade Me to be very useful. The subjects covered are:

- Job hunting tips
- How to get an interview
- 10 great tips for a CV
- What to include in a CV
- CV and covering letter examples
- How to succeed at an interview
- After the interview

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### Edith the poodle

Hi, I'm Edith, the Real Special mascot. I hope you've been having better weather than we have. It has been so cold and rainy since I last wrote my column – we even had some floods in the Nelson region.

Winter weather does bring some consolations, like enjoying lying on cushions in front of the wood burner (if I can manage to squeeze in past Bobby dog!).

My mum bought me a special dog cardigan to help keep me warm and I think it is so cute with its firework-like pattern of stars and swirls. The cardigan helps keep my back and chest warm to make sure I don't get any winter chills.



I was checking out other winter poodle fashions on the internet and came across this photo entitled, "Poodle Jumper".

I expected to see a nice jumper / sweater but instead found the patterns have been actually made in the dog's fur!

I don't think I'd like to have this done to me as I would not like to have to look the same every day (as you can tell by the number of different outfits I have!).



[funnyanimalpictures.net/img-poodle-jumper-729.htm](http://funnyanimalpictures.net/img-poodle-jumper-729.htm)

### Just for fun – Edith's jokes

Q: How does a poodle stop a video?

A: By pressing the paws button

Q: What did the poodle make dog biscuits from?

A: Collie flour

Q: What did the poodles get when they graduated from school?

A: A pedigree!

### Sudoku for June

The solution is on page 4.

9					2		
8			2	9			
2		5	8			9	
	7			8	9		6
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## Easy recipe

### Goey-in-the-middle Chocolate Puds

These gooey gorgeous puds have been on Jo Seagar's TV show and are a wonderful treat to cuddle up with on a cold winter night.

I really like her no-fuss, simple recipes. Serve these delicious puddings with softly whipped cream, thick yoghurt or ice-cream.



#### Ingredients

400g dark chocolate, chopped  
50g butter  
3/4 cup caster sugar  
4 eggs  
2 tablespoons of flour

#### Method

Pre-heat oven to 180 degrees Celsius

Spray 6 cup sized ramekins or oven proof coffee cups with non-stick baking spray.

Melt the chocolate either in a bowl over a saucepan of simmering water, or microwave in short bursts on medium heat, stirring well until melted and smooth.

With an electric mixer, beat butter and sugar together until pale and creamy. Add the eggs, then the melted chocolate and the flour. Mix until well combined.

Divide the mixture between the prepared ramekins.

Place the ramekins on an oven tray for ease of handling. Bake for 18-20 minutes.

Puddings should be glossy and smooth on top, like a brownie, but soft and gooey in the center. Don't overcook!!

#### Sudoku solution (from page 3)

9	6	1	4	7	5	2	3	8
8	3	7	2	9	6	5	4	1
2	4	5	8	3	1	6	9	7
5	7	2	3	8	9	4	1	6
3	1	4	6	5	2	8	7	9
6	8	9	7	1	4	3	5	2
1	5	8	9	6	3	7	2	4
7	2	3	1	4	8	9	6	5
4	9	6	5	2	7	1	8	3

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