Owl Babies

3-4 Nursery Autumn 1 2026

Useful Information	
Author	Martin Waddell
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Year published	1992
Other titles by this author	Farmer Duck, Can't You Sleep Little Bear, Little Bear and Me

Tales Toolkit			
	Character- A person or an animal in a story.		Setting- Where the story takes place.
	There are 3 Owl Babies; Sarah, the biggest, Percy, who is middle-sized, and Bill who is the smallest.		**In their nest- a hole in the trunk of a tree**
	Problem- There is another character or a situation that is a problem for the main character.		How the characters manage to sort out the problem and have a happy ending.
	The owl babies wake up and their owl mummy is gone. They are worried and don't know where she is.		**. Their owl mummy comes home safely.**

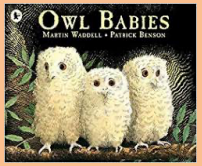
Phrases and repeated refrains from story text Children will become very familiar with these phrases and use them in the oral retelling of the story	
Once there were three baby owls	all owls think a lot
it was their house	soft and silent
I want my mummy	What's all the fuss
mice and things that are nice	I love my mummy

Vocabulary – definitions and synonyms synonyms are words with the same meaning (or almost the same meaning)	
suppose	to think that something is true (imagine)
silent	not speaking or making a noise (mute, quiet)
swooped	to come down suddenly from above (dive, plunge, pounce)
bounce	to jump up and down (spring, bob)
hunting	to search for food (track, stalk)
brave	ready to face danger (bold, fearless)

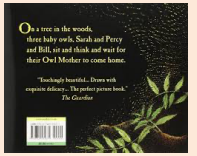


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