# Guide for teachers, librarians and home schoolers.

### Suggestions for reading out loud

Before reading to a group of children, I usually start off by asking them what sound a rooster makes. To get them in participation mode I have them all practice crowing "cock-a-doodle-do" together. Then I say, "will you please help me by crowing just like that whenever the story says, "all the other roosters crowed...". This makes for a lively, engaged audience.

At another point the story asks, "What do you do when you come to a road?" Make sure to pause until a child answers.

#### **Suggested Questions for discussion**

- 1. Who does Lexter remind you of? How come?
- 2. What does Lexter learn in school? What do you learn in school? Why do you think Lexter learns his C B As and his 3 2 1s?
- 3. What happens when Lexter goes to the doctors? What is the difference between your doctor and a veterinarian?
- 4. Why do you think it is sometimes hard to be different? Why is it sometimes good to be different?
- 5. Can you tell me about a time when you have felt like Lexter in any way?

### Lexter Word Scramble Answer Key

1. rooster	6. cow
2. hen	7. sheep
3. chicken	8. dog
4. pig	9. horse
5. dinosaur*	10. duck

## LEXTER GAMES

#### **Lexter Word Scramble:**

Lexter is trying to write the names of all the animals on the farm, but he's getting the letters all mixed up. He has also included one animal that you would never find on a farm! Can you unscramble the words to identify which animals live on the farm?

1. TERROSO	6. WOC
2. NEH	7. HEESP
3. KICCHEN	8. GDO
4. GIP	9. SEROH
5. NODSIARU	10. CKUD

# Lexter Link-up

Help the tired animals find their way to bed. Draw a line between the animal and the place they often use to sleep. Where do you think Lexter would sleep?

PIG	STABLE
COW	STY
HORSE	COOP
CHICKEN	BARN