

*A DENTIST TO THE
RESCUE*

SECTION 1

Narrator: This is the story of a dentist who helps a koala to walk. **E**

Marley: [What does Marley say? Use the word rescue koala.]

Triumph: [What does Triumph do?]

Marley: When Triumph was born he didn't have a foot so he couldn't walk or climb.

Reporter: Interesting. But why did a dentist make a **prosthetic* foot*** for a koala?

Reporter: [What does the reporter say?]

SECTION 2

Narrator: **Triumph*** is a rescue koala. Triumph's keeper, Marley, thought she had tried everything – until she talked to her dentist.

Marley: [What does Marley say?]

Triumph: [What does Triumph do?]

Reporter: [What does the reporter say?]

Jon: My name's Jon and I make dentures. **D**

Making a prosthetic foot is bending the rules a little bit, I suppose.

Reporter: [The reporter doesn't understand. What does the reporter say?]

Reporter: What was Triumph's life like before his new foot?

SECTION 3

Narrator: Without a foot Triumph couldn't use his leg. **E**

Marley: [What does Marley say? Use the words **difficult**, **climb**, and **jump**.]

Triumph: [What does Triumph do?]

Marley: When he walked he was very slow.

Reporter: Marley asked around, but no one could help. **D**

Then Marley had an idea.

Marley: My dentist, Jon, said he wanted to have a look at Triumph.

I thought, why not?

Jon: I could see right away that there was a problem.

Triumph was walking with his leg up. He was almost standing on the bone.

I thought **there's nothing to lose***.

SECTION 4

Narrator: Jon made a **boot*** out of denture material. **D**

Reporter: Very interesting!

Jon: *John holds up a white model he made of Triumph's leg.*

Right here Triumph almost has a little **ankle***.

This strap slips over Triumph's ankle and then the boot stays on.

Marley: Triumph loved the boot immediately! **T**

Triumph: [What does Triumph do?]

Marley: With his new foot he could jump and run right away. **T**

SECTION 5

Marley: I had to cry. **C** It was a very important moment.

Jon: I want to improve the boot so he can climb better. **D**

Marley: It is fantastic that this could happen.

Reporter: [What does the reporter do or say?]

Triumph: [What does Triumph do?] **T**

Narrator: As you can see, this boot gives Triumph the **koala*** a new life! **E**