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STUDENT READER

Multi-letter Book 2



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Pale Sam and His Lion Pal

(A-Words with Silent E
Sight Words: the, of, zoo, gives)

Sam, a man at the zoo, pets the sad lion's mane. Sam gives the lion grub in a pan as the kids gaze into the lion den's glass pane. Sam tips his hat. He hates to end the program, but the fad must fade!

Just as Sam is putting tape on the leg of the same lion, a ringing tap of a cane on the glass panics the animal. Can Sam help? Even if the fat lion's fate is in Sam's hands, he cannot help him. The tap has made the lion as mad as a rat in a trap! Will Sam rate well? The lion yells in rage, and Sam is as limp as a rag doll.

Sam plans to jump into a plane and fly to safety, but no! He must quietly step from the lion's den. The fat lion sits back on his mat, and his mate licks the tape on his leg. Sam has lost his lion pal. Even if he is pale, Sam is safe!

1. Why is Sam in the lion's den?
2. What happens when the window is tapped with a cane?
3. What do the words, "fad," "mane," and "pale" mean?
4. How does Sam feel when he is "as limp as a rag doll?"
5. How does Sam get to safety?
6. What happens when the hurt lion lies back down on his mat?

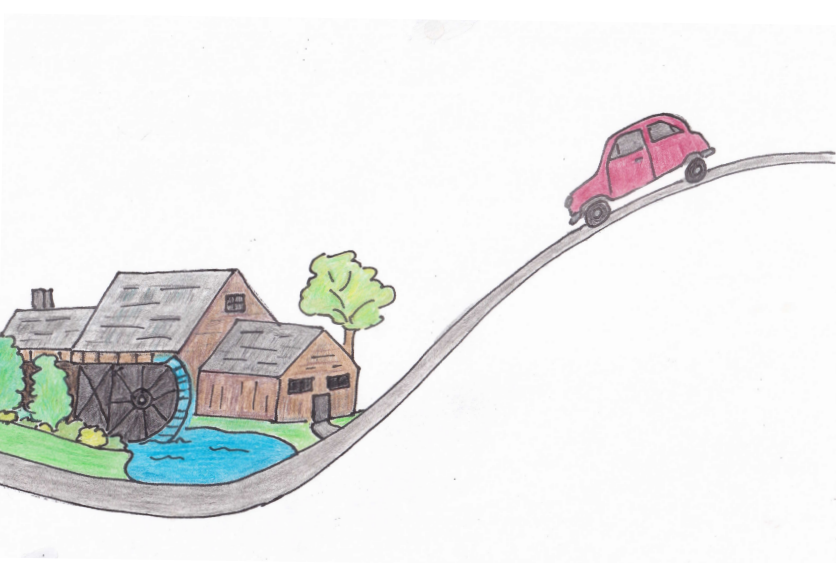


Tim's Time to Go

(I-Words with Silent E)
(New Sight Words: for, with, whine, while)

It is **time** for **Tim** to go a **mile** to the **mill**. He **bites** off a last **bit** of his snack and asks to get a **ride** with his pal, Sid, so he will be **rid** of plodding a **mile** to the **mill**. He jumps into a van at **Sid's side** and begins to go. But as Tim and Sid top a big hill, the van begins to **slide**. It **slid** to a stop. It has no gas, and it **quits**. Tim is **quite** sad!

Will **Tim** get to the mill on **time**? **Will** he stop for a **while**? Tim cannot **sit** still! He must go to his **site**! Tim and Sid **file** from the van and **fill** up the gas tank. Tim and Sid **pile** back into the van. The gas is like a magic **pill**! Tim and Sid travel the rest of the **mile** to the **mill**. Tim will not **whine**! He will **win** the race! Sid will take **Tim** a **mile** to the **mill** in just the nick of **time**!



1. Why is Tim trying to get to the mill?
2. What happens to the car?
3. How do Tim and his friend solve the car's problem?
4. How does Tim feel at the end of the story?

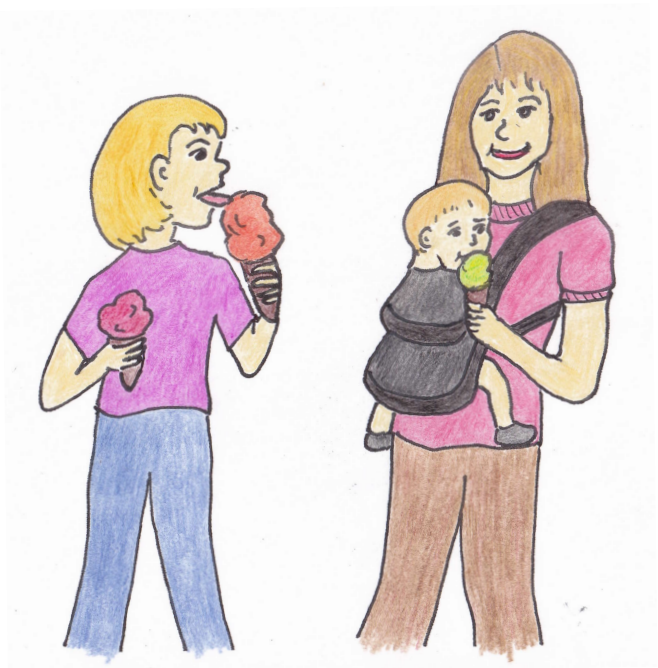
The Tot in the Tote

(O-Words with Silent E)
(New Sight Words: two, they)

Two gals mope as they mop and tend a tot in his tote. Rob, the tot clad in a robe, begins to cry. The gals pen a note for Mom. They will not be home. The gals hop into the truck. They hope a cone will con Rob into being quiet. Quickly, they rode in the hot rod to the store.

On the trip, a cop stops the hot rod. The gals tell the cop the plan to cope with Rob's crying by giving him a cone. So the cop takes Rob and the gals to the store. Rob gets a cone. The gals win the con! Rob licks the glob in his cone, and he is the happiest tot on the globe!

1. Why were the teen-age girls moping?
2. What was their plan for stopping little Rob from crying?
3. What did the policeman do to help the girls?
4. What made Rob the happiest tot on the globe?



Duke's Duck and Mute Mutt

(U-Words with Silent E)
(New Sight Word: blowing)

Duke, a dude in fancy duds, has a pet duck and a mute mutt. Duke's duck is in luck, but Luke, the cute mutt has a bad cut on his leg. Duke picks up unlucky Luke and takes him inside his home. Duke's duck quacks in a big fit. Blowing a fuse at Duke's fuss with the mute mutt, the duck hops into the tub and begins flapping its wings. It hopes to get Duke's grin. But Duke cannot fuss with the duck in the tub. He gets a tube of gel for unlucky Luke's cut and takes care of it. Duke gives a huge hug to his mute mutt, despite his duck's protest!



1. What is Duke wearing? What do the words, "dude," and "duds" mean?
2. Why was the duck in luck, but the mutt wasn't?
3. What does being "mute" mean?
4. Why is the duck jealous of the mutt?
5. What does the phrase, "blowing a fuse" mean?
6. How does the reader know that Duke is a kind person?

Steve, Gene, and Pete's Race

(E-Vowels with Silent E)

(New Sight Words: these, them, theme, have, out, are, athletes)

Steve and **Gene** **compete** on the **eve** of the big race. **Pete**, the **pet** dog, lopes by **them** in the race with the **theme**: "Run Like Me!" **These** **athletes** and **pet Pete**, will **complete** the **race** in winning time.

Here is **Steve**, **Gene**, and the **pet** dog, **Pete**! **These** all run in front of the **athletes**. A **mere** mile is left in the race. **Steve** and **Gene** and **Pete** are winning!

At the ending line, the **athletes** **concede** that **Steve** and **Gene**, and **pet** dog, **Pete**, have won. The men will **mete** out the ribbons to the **athletes**, and **Steve** and **Gene** will win the blue ribbon!

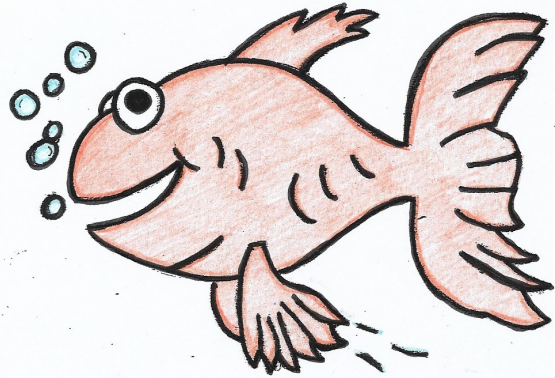
1. What is the race's theme?
2. Who is Pete, and what does he do with Steve and Gene?
3. What happens when a mere mile is left in the race?
4. What does the word, "concede," mean?
5. What will the announcers "mete" out?
6. What will Steve and Gene receive?



A FISH AND A WISH

("SH" Story 1)

Swish! Swish! Swish! Flash, a fish,
swims fast. She is in a rush!
She has a wish.



Dash! Dash! Dash! She swims past
a ship, docking by a shop. Its
mesh fish net is in a sham. It has
trash stuck in it. Flash swims by
the fish net in a shot!

She swims past a shrimp, shedding his skin. He is in bad shape! He shakes
and shakes to get rid of his skin. Flash rushes on. Shame! Shame! Shame!
She will not stop to help the shrimp. She blushes in a flush, but swims on.

Flash spots a shimmering shellfish, resting in sand. Flash grabs it!
Smash! Squish! Crash! Crush! She shakes, mashes, and ingests. It is fresh!
Mmmm! She got her wish! Flash is a glad, fat fish!

1. How does flash swim?
2. What does the word, "docked" mean?
3. Why is the net "in a sham?"
4. What does Flash swim past that is shedding his skin?
5. Why does Flash blush?
6. What does "ingests" mean?
7. What was Flash's wish?
8. What happens first? Flash swims past the shrimp, or Flash swims by the fish net?

Slothful Seth's Bath

("TH" Story 2)



Seth the sloth is sluggish. He is resting on a stump in the thick fog. He is thinking as he sits still. Think! Think! Think! Will the fog lift so Seth can step onto the path? "I must go take a bath, but I cannot go on the path," thinks Seth the Sloth.

A thin moth drifts by. Then it flits onto the path. "I will go with the thin moth," thinks Seth the sloth. He thanks the brave moth and slides off the thick stump. Then Seth takes seven steps. Alas! The thin moth vanishes into the thick fog.

"I am lost!" Seth yells. He is in the depths of sadness! "The moth has left me, and I cannot go take my bath! That moth makes me mad!"

The sad sloth slides into a thicket and hides. He is sluggish and will not take a bath. He is resting until the fog lifts. THEN Slothful Seth will take his bath!

1. What does "sluggish" mean?
2. What is Seth the Sloth thinking about?
3. What insect does Seth decide to follow?
4. What happens when Seth takes seven steps?
5. When will Seth take a bath?

Patch the Cat
(“-TCH” Story 3)

Patch, the cat, wakes up and stretches. She has an itch that makes Patch twitch. She scratches and licks the itch in the ditch.

Then a batch of kittens latch onto Patch. She stretches and licks the kittens. She catches and snatches them up.

The kittens hitch a ride on Patch into the kitchen. In the kitchen, Patch fetches a rat. The kittens do not like the rat. The kittens switch back to milk. Then, Patch and the batch of kittens go back to nap in the ditch.

1. What happens first in the story?
Patch fetches a rat, or Patch has an itch?
2. Where are Patch and the kittens at the beginning and the end of the story?
3. Where do Patch and the kittens go to eat?
4. What don't the kittens like to eat?
5. What do Patch and the kittens do at the end of the story?

