Introducing the letter ‘e’
Acknowledgments

For Scott. Thank you for listening.
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Quick Start Guide

Read the book WITH your child. You read the “regular” text, and he/she reads the big, red words, sort of like reading the different parts in a play.

Help your child sound out the words as needed.

Read the book several times. This helps develop the eye muscles and left-to-right reading patterns.

Don’t rush it. Body-builders don’t train in a day – neither does a child.

And most important of all, HAVE FUN!
This is the letter ‘e’ –

The letter ‘e’ says “-eh- for elephant.” Can you say “-eh- for elephant”? 
Lesson 1

We use the “-eh-” sound in lots of words, like:

Elephant elevator.

Endless eggs.

Empty envelopes.
Lesson 1

Show me the pictures that start with the “-eh-” sound.

Answer: Elbow, egg, elephant, envelope.
Here are two words we can make with the letter ‘e’ – can you read them?

ed  ted
ed and ted were two teddy bears, who lived at the park in Never-Ever-Where.
One day, Ed and Ted saw Dan, stomping his feet and shaking his hands.
“Ugh,” said **ted**, as he hitched up his pants, “if there’s one thing I hate it’s dance, dance, dance.”
Deep inside, ed thought it looked like fun.
But whatever ted said was the way it was done.
Ted frowned and called out to the deer.

“You have to go away. You can’t dance here.”
Dan just waved –

his headphones were on,

and the radio was playing

his favorite song.
“Hey, deer!” said ted.

“You have to stop!”

ted was so angry that he started to hop.
And dan thought the bear was dancing too, so he smiled at ted and said, “Whoo, hoo!”
ted ran at dan

to punch him in the nose.

He did not see the rock
that tripped his toes.
ted went flying through the air – a whirling, twirling teddy bear.
ted landed in a bush with a thump and a yelp.
His fancy, schmancy pants landed somewhere else.
“Oh, no!” thought Ted.

“I must get my pants.

No one can see me – no they can’t!”
So when ed ran over to help his friend,
ted said, “ed!

Who are those crazy men?”
“What men? Where?”

ed looked over his shoulder...
...as **ted** hid behind a bigger, better boulder.

A boulder is a large rock.
“Where did he go?”

*dan* said to *ed*...
...as **ted** crawled away with a branch on this head.
And just before Ted reached his pants,
dan jumped out,

“Hey! Do you want to dance?”
ted screamed in surprise... “I don’t know... maybe later...
“But look over there – an alligator!”
Ted grabbed his pants to put them on.
In his hurry, **ted** got it all wrong.
ed said, “ted, what happened to your pants?”
Ted lied again,

“I was trying to do a dance.”
So when dan said,

“Let’s all do a dance,”
Ted couldn’t say no, and he couldn’t say, “I can’t.”
All ted could do was dance, dance, dance.
And before very long, ted started to have fun,
and the three new friends danced all day in the sun.

THE END