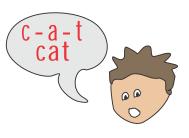


#### Quick Start Guide



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 that are necessary for reading.

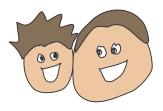
Don't rush it. Body builders don't train in a day – neither does a child.





If your child is having difficulty, he/she might need more practice with simple short vowel words. Read or re-read the Progressive Phonics Beginner Books a few times, and then try this book again.

And most important of all, HAVE FUN!



Words that a child should be able to read by now are printed with BLUE ink – if your child can't read them easily, go back and review the earlier books.

The new words being learned are "big, red words".

Is my Clock sick?

Words or grammatical constructions that a child has not learned yet are written in black ink. **These words are supposed to be read by the parent/teacher.** \*\*

\* Your child can try to read them, but don't worry too much about them. They are taught later, either in later Progressive Phonics books, or in spelling or grammar at school.

### Words taught in this book:

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ate, brave, cake, came, cape,
cave, Dave, gave. grape, have,
made, make, name, plate, same,
save, snake, take.
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five, ice, like, mice, mile, mine,
nine, ride, side, slide, smile,
time, twice, wife.
bone, hole, home, hope, pole,
stole, those.
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cute, tube, use.

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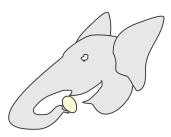
Pete, these.

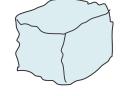
Note! Pages like this are read TO your child. There are five vowels, and each vowel can make different sounds — listen:



An alligator ate an awful apple.

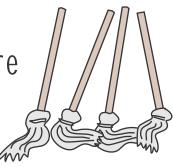
Every elephant eats eggs.

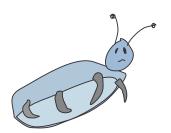




It is ice.

Oh, no, not more mops.

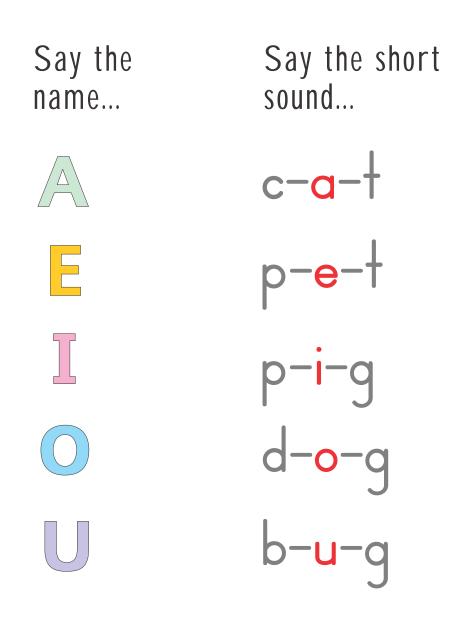




Blue bug.

Part of learning how to read is learning the different sounds that vowels make.

Let's start with this — each vowel has a name, which is its "long sound," and each vowel also makes a "short sound."

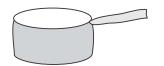


We know that in three-letter words, the vowel usually makes its "short sound" -



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jet



pot

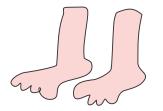


wig on a pig

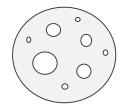


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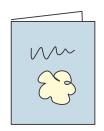
We know that when you see two of the same vowel sitting together, the vowel calls out its name or makes a different sound —



feet

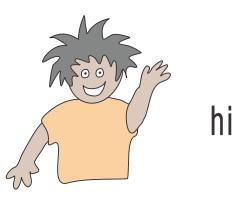


moon



book

We know that when a vowel is all alone at the end of a very small word, it can call out its name -



FIL E

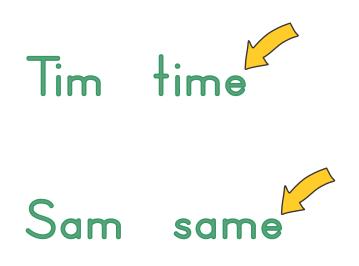
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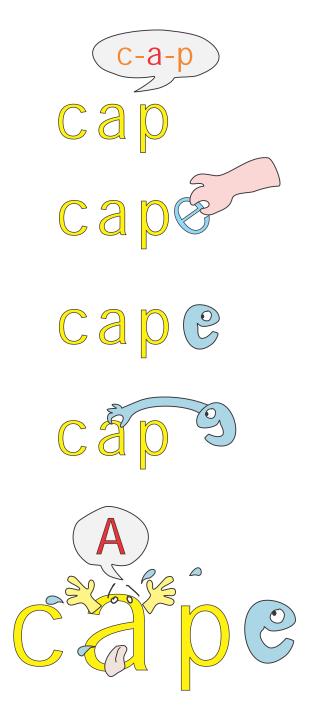
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We are now going to learn a new way to know when a vowel is supposed to call out its name.

You see, there's something called a silent "e" — this is an "e" that you sometimes see at the end of a word —

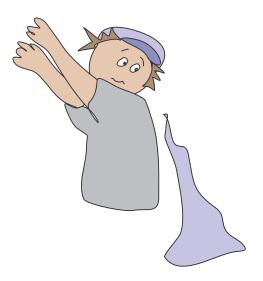


When you add an "e" to the end of a word, the naughty little "e" reaches around and PINCHES the vowel, making it call out it's name:



And the naughty "e" is silent because he doesn't want to get into trouble. "Silent" means to say nothing and to make no noise.

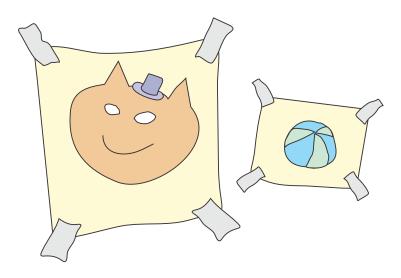




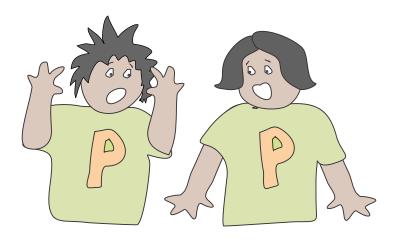
**I** am a superhero — see my Cap and my Cape. My Cap and my Cape are as purple as a **Grape**. My Cap and my Cape are supposed to help me fly, but my Cape falls off every time I try to fly.



I sat at the table and ate a big cookie, but as I ate the last little bite, my dog ate it first — he was so impolite.



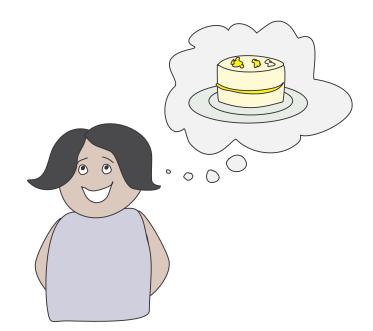
I made a picture of a cat, and I made the cat a hat. I was mad at the cat, so I made his hat too small. But then I was sorry, so I made the cat a ball.



Sam is the Same age as me. Sam goes to the Same school too. But my Name is Pam, which starts with a "P," so Sam shouldn't wear the Same shirt as me.



My cat had a party, and everybody Came - a doq, a frog and a pig with no name. The dog came with a Cake. The frog came with a Snake. The pig Came late with his cousins, Jack and Jake.

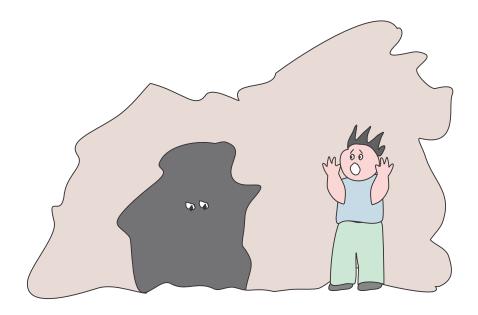


Mother, may I Make a Cake? A Cake is what I want to Make. I will not take long, and I will not make a mess. So may I Make a Cake?

Please say, "Yes."

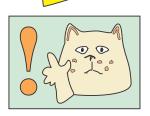


I Gave my brother, Dave, a big piece of Cake; I also Gave Dave a banana and a grape. Dave ate the banana. Dave ate the Cake and Grape, and I was surprised when Dave ate the plate.

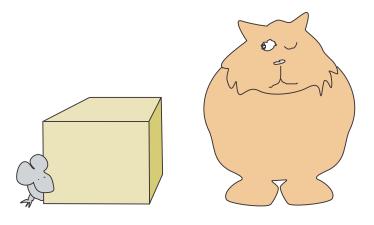


Save me, Save me, a bear is in the Cave. Save me, Save me, if you are very brave. Save me, Save me... oh... it is just my brother, Dave.

#### Note! Comments by Miz Katz are read TO your child.



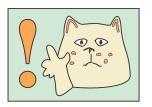
In the word "have," the naughty "e" doesn't do anything, so the word "have" sounds a lot like "has."



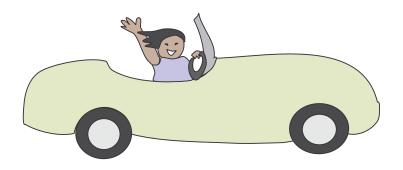
I have a cat, and she has a rat.



I have a brother, Dave.
Dave is brave. Dave
is not afraid to go in a Cave.
I have a sister too, she has
long yellow hair. And when she
is scared, her hair is in the air.



We say "had" when we talk about the past; we say "have" or "has" when we talk about now or the future.



When I was three, I had a trike. Now I am six, I have a bike. When I grow up, I will have a car; I want to have a car, so I can drive it very far.

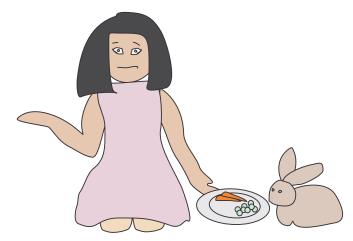
Note: A trike is a tricycle.



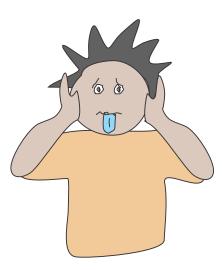
Yesterday I had a ham sandwich for my lunch. Today I have a ham sandwich for my lunch. Tomorrow I will have a ham sandwich for my lunch — does anybody want a ham sandwich for lunch?



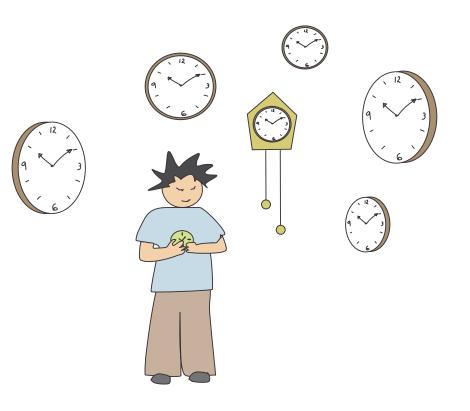
The words, "have to" and "had to" mean you are supposed to.



Why do I have to eat my peas? I have a bunny rabbit; he will eat them, please? And why do I have to wash my plate do I have to use soap, or can my bunny lick the plate?



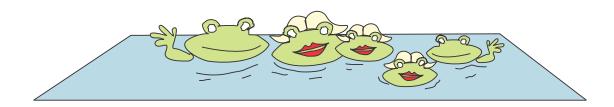
When I had a cold, I had to stay in bed; I had to blow my nose, and my nose got red. Today I have a headache, and my tongue is blue; I think I have a fever do I have to go to school?



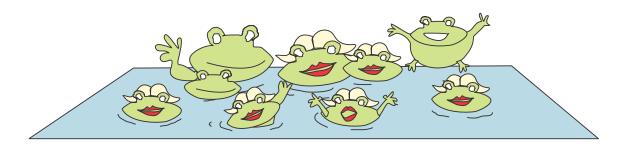
Tim has a clock on every wall, so Tim can see the time. Tim can see when the time is six, and Tim can see when the time is nine.

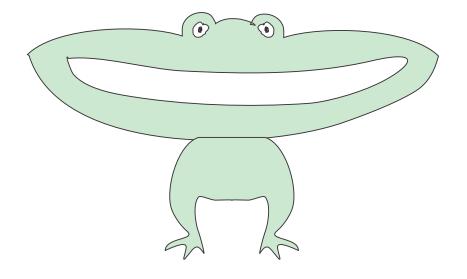


Sid slid down the slide. He slid down the slide a lot. Then his brother said, "Sid, you are a little kid, so be careful not to fall." But when Sid held tight to the Side of the slide, he did not slide at all.

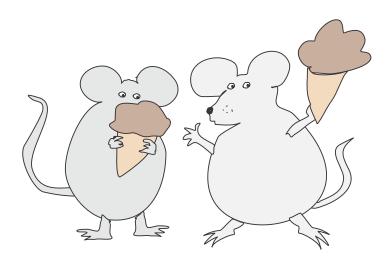


If a frog and his Wife have a son and two daughters, then five little frogs would be in the water. But if the frog and his Wife have two sons and **five** daughters, then **nine** little frogs would be in the water.

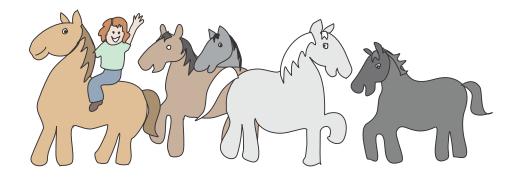




If a frog had a big, BIG mouth, would his Smile be as Wide as a mile?



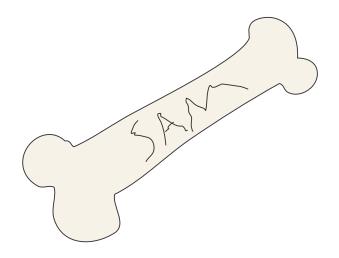
I like ice cream; ice cream is nice. I like ice cream, and so do my mice, so may I have ice cream for me and my mice.



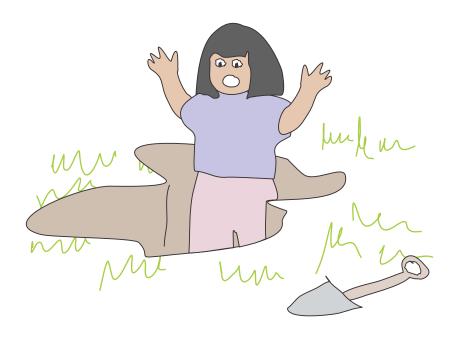
If I had five ponies, I would ride them to the zoo. If I had five ponies, you could ride them too.



I hope you can hop
as fast as can be.
I hope you can hop
over to that tree because
your shoes ran away
with your feet, feet, feet.



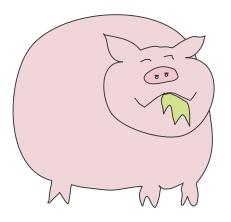
My dog wrote his name ON a bone, and then he gave the bone to me. I was not surprised that he could write, but that he gave his bone to me.



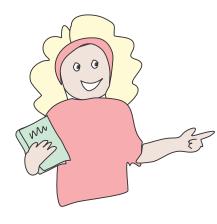
I dug a hole so deep that I could not see my feet. I put a pole inside the hole, and the hole Stole the pole. Yes, the pole disappeared how weird!



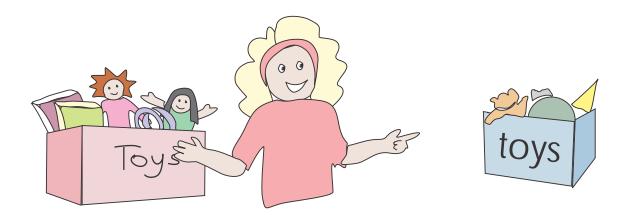
My dog dug a hole for his bone, bone, bone, so his bone would have a home, home, home, but then he forgot which hole was the home.



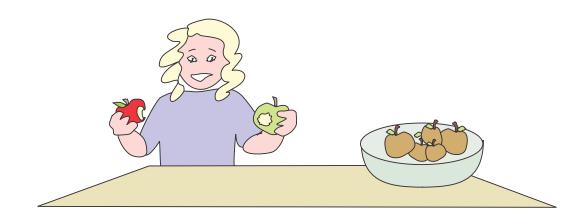
# My pet pig, Pete, has only three feet. And my pet pig, Pete, likes to eat, eat, eat.



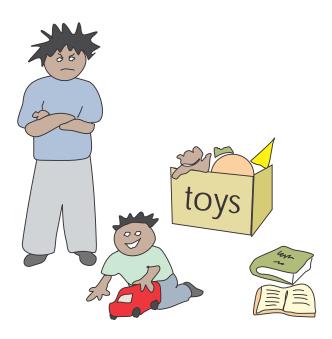
## This is a book, and that is a bike.



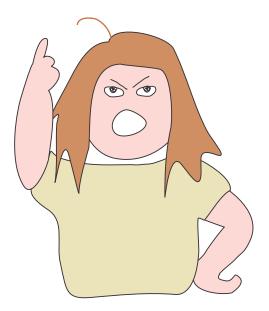
# These are my toys, and those belong to Mike.



I like these apples; these apples are nice. These apples are so nice that I bit them twice. But those apples over there do not taste good because those apples over there are made of wood.



See those toys over there? Those toys are mine. And those books over there? Those books are mine, but my brother plays with my stuff all the time.



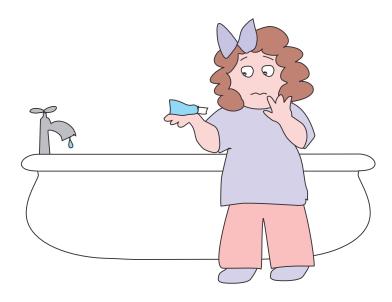
I want to look CUte, so I need a CUte hair CUt. But when they CUt my hair, it was not very CUte they only CUt one hair... the hair right there.



My teacher told US to USE good manners on the DUS. She also told US to USE umbrellas in the rain, so we do not get water on our brains.



How do you USE a hammer? How do you USE a nail? Each time I USE a hammer, I hit my finger, not the nail.



If I use a tube of toothpaste to clean the bath tub, how long will I have to rub-adub-dub? And if the tub is big, and the tube is small, will I need a bigger tube to clean it all?

## THE END