

## Level 1

Big Things

Bugs

Dad

Mom

My School

Pets

## Level 1

### Big Things

A truck is big.

A bulldozer is big.

An ambulance is big.

A fire engine is big.

A bus is big.

A crane is big.

A ship is big.

A plane is big.

## Level 1

### Bugs

I see a spider.

I see a fly.

I see a cricket.

I see a bee.

I see a butterfly.

I see a grasshopper.

I see a ladybug.

I see a firefly!

## Level 1

### Dad

Dad is cooking.

Dad is painting.

Dad is driving.

Dad is swimming.

Dad is digging.

Dad is running.

Dad is reading.

Dad is sleeping.

## Level 1

### Mom

Mom is cooking.

Mom is painting.

Mom is driving.

Mom is swimming.

Mom is digging.

Mom is running.

Mom is reading.

Mom is sleeping.

## Level 1

### My School

Here is my school.

Here is my desk.

Here is my chair.

Here is my book.

Here is my paper.

Here is my pencil.

Here is my teacher.

Here is my friend!

## Level 1

### Pets

The cat is here.

The dog is here.

The bird is here.

The rabbit is here.

The goldfish is here.

The mouse is here.

The guinea pig is here.

The turtle is here.

## Level 2

All of Me  
(The) Big Hill  
(A) Birthday Party  
(The) Ghost  
If You Meet a Dragon  
In the Mirror  
Little Things  
Look at me  
Moms and Dads  
Painting  
Playing  
Six Go By  
Slow and Fast  
(The) Skier  
(The) Storm  
Time for Dinner  
(The) Tree House  
We Go Out  
Yuck Soup  
(The) Zoo

## Level 2

### All of Me

See my eyes.

See my nose.

See my chin.

See my toes.

See my waist.

See my knee.

Now you can see all of me!

## Level 2

### The Big Hill

We climb up.

We run down.

We fall.

We roll.

We crash.

We laugh.

Then we climb up again.

## Level 2

### A Birthday Party

Mom got candy.  
Mom got a present.  
Mom got hats.  
Mom got balloons.  
Mom got plates.  
Mom got a card.  
Mom got pizza.  
Mom got forks.  
Mom got cups.  
Mom got napkins.  
Mom got ice cream.  
Mom got spoons.  
Mom got a cake.  
Happy birthday to you.

## Level 2

### The Ghost

I see the door.

I see the window.

I see the table.

I see the cat.

I see the chairs.

I see Mom and Dad.

BOO!

## Level 2

### If You Meet a Dragon. . .

Tickle his back.

Tickle his nose.

Tickle his legs.

Tickle his toes.

Tickle his tail.

Tickle his chin....

and that will be the end of him.

## Level 2

### In the Mirror

See my fingers.  
See my toes.  
See my tongue.  
See my nose.  
See my elbow.  
See my knee.  
See a monster — that's me.

## Level 2

### Little Things

My truck is little.

My bulldozer is little.

My ambulance is little.

My fire engine is little.

My bus is little.

My crane is little.

My plane is little.

My boat is little.

## Level 2

### Look at me

Look at me.

I am painting.

Look at me.

I am drawing.

Look at me.

I am reading.

Look at me.

I am writing.

Look at me.

I am building.

Look at me.

I am counting.

Look at me.

I am singing.

Look at me.

I am resting.

## Level 2

### Moms and Dads

Mom is a bus driver.

Dad is a window cleaner.

Mom is a police officer.

Dad is a vet.

Mom is a librarian.

Dad is a builder.

Dad is a farmer.

Mom is a farmer, too.

## Level 2

### Painting

Toby painted the floor,  
and the wall,  
and the cupboard,  
and the table,  
and the chair,  
and the cat,  
and then Mom came in.

## Level 2

### Playing

I am in the box.

I am in the car.

I am in the tent.

I am in the sandbox.

I am in the playhouse.

I am in the tree.

I am in the bathtub.

I am in bed.

## Level 2

### Six Go By

Six balloons go by.

Six hats go by.

Six boxes go by.

Six clowns go by.

Six candles go by.

We go by.

Surprise!

## Level 2

### Slow and Fast

A turtle is slow.

A fish is fast.

A beetle is slow.

A snake is fast.

A raccoon is slow.

A rabbit is fast.

A snail is slow.

I am fast!

## Level 2

### The Skier

He is going down the ladder.  
He is going down the stairs.  
He is going down the path.  
He is going down the steps.  
He is going down the road.  
He is going up.  
He is going up and up and up.  
He is going down the mountain

## Level 2

### The Storm

Here comes the cloud.

Here comes the wind.

Here comes the lighting.

Here comes the thunder.

Here comes the rain.

Here comes the rainbow, and here comes...

The sun.

## Level 2

### Time for Dinner

Meow, meow.  
Here we come!  
Woof, woof.  
Here we come!  
Baa, baa.  
Here we come!  
Oink, oink.  
Here we come!  
Moo, moo.  
Here we come!  
Quack, quack.  
Here we come!  
Cluck, cluck.  
Here we come!  
Here we come!

## Level 2

### The Tree House

Up went the giraffe.  
Up went the zebra.  
Up went the elephant.  
Up went the tiger.  
Up went the lion.  
Up went the monkey.  
Down came the tree house.  
Bim-bam-bumpy.

## Level 2

### We go out

We go to the library.

We go to the park.

We go to the pool.

We go to the soccer game.

We go to the beach.

We go to the farm.

We go to the zoo.

We go to the aquarium.

## Level 2

### Yuck Soup

In go some snails.  
In go some feathers.  
In go some thistles.  
In go some toothbrushes.  
In go some socks.  
In go some shoes.  
Yuck!

## Level 2

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## The Zoo

I see the lion.

I see the tiger.

I see the elephant.

I see the zebra.

I see a bear.

I see the camel.

I see the monkey.

The monkey sees me.

## Level 3

Ben's Pets  
Blocks  
Going For a Ride  
Going Up and Down  
Good Night Little Bug  
I Can Jump  
I Love My Family  
Ice Cream  
Little Pig  
Look At Me!  
Looking Down  
Lost  
A Monster Sandwich  
My Accident  
My Cat  
My Lunch  
Our Street  
Packing My Bag  
(The) Photo Book  
(The) Rock Pools  
Shoo!  
Splashing Dad  
Stop!  
Stop That!  
We Can Run  
Where are the Babies  
Yes, I Can

Level 3

Stop That

Two little pigs did a jig.

“Stop that!” said the cat.

Two little pigs put on wigs.

“Stop that!” said the cat.

Two little pigs began to dig.

“Stop that!” said the cat.

“Scat, cat!” said the pigs.

And she did.

## Level 3

### Ben's Pets

My pet dog is sick.

Get the vet.

My pet hen is sick.

Get the vet!

All my pets are sick. GET THE VET!

The vet is here.

Thanks Mom.

## Level 3

### Blocks

"I can make a castle," said Maria.

"Look at my castle!"

"Oh no!"

"I can make a rocket," said Maria.

"Look at my rocket."

"Oh no!"

"I can make a house," said Maria.

"Look at my house"

"Oh no!"

"I can make a tower," said Maria.

"Look at my tower"

"Yes, yes, yes!"

## Level 3

### Going For a Ride

Look at my car.

I am driving my car.

Look at my bike.

I am riding my bike.

Look at my horse.

I am riding my horse.

Look at my sled.

I am going on my sled.

## Level 3

### Going Up and Down

My dog is going up the stairs.

Dad is going down the stairs.

Mom is going up the stairs.

My dog is going down the stairs.

Dad is going up the stairs.

My dog is going up the stairs.

Mom is going down the stairs.

My dog is going up, up, up!

## Level 3

### Good Night, Little Bug

"Just one more run," said the bug.

"Just one more run," said her mother.

"Just one more hug," said the bug.

"Just one more hug," said her mother.

"Just a little more fun," said the bug.

"No," said her mother.

And the little bug went to sleep,  
snug as a bug in a rug.

## Level 3

### I Can Jump

"I can jump," said the grasshopper.

"I can't jump," said the snail.

"I can run," said the spider.

"I can't run," said the snail.

"I can fly," said the butterfly.

"I can't fly," said the snail.

"But I can slide."

## Level 3

### I Love My Family

I love my father.

I love my mother.

I love my sister.

I love my brother.

I love my grandma.

I love my grandpa.

But I don't love my grandpa's whiskers.

## Level 3

### Ice Cream

We like ice cream in the car.

We like ice cream in the plane.

We like ice cream in the snow.

We like ice cream in the rain.

We like ice cream in the tree.

We like ice cream on the hill.

No more ice cream! We feel ill.

## Level 3

### Little Pig

"Go home," said the hens.

"No," said Little Pig.

"Go home," said the ducks.

"No," said Little Pig.

"Go home," said the cows.

"No," said Little Pig.

"Go home," said the sheep.

"No," said Little Pig.

"Go home," said the butcher,

"or I'll make you into sausages."

"Yes, I will," said Little Pig.

## Level 3

### Look At Me!

Look at my nose.

What am I?

Look at my mouth.

What am I?

Look at my eyes.

Look at my feet.

Look at my ears.

What am I?

Look at my tail.

Look at my wing.

What am I?

What am I?

I am a bat.

## Level 3

### Looking down

I can see my mom. She is cleaning the car.

I can see my dad. He is digging the garden.

I can see my sister. She is reading a book.

I can see my brother. He is riding a bike.

I can see my grandfather. He is sweeping the sidewalk.

I can see my cat. She is chasing the leaves.

I can see. . . my cat!

She is here with me.

## Level 3

### Lost

I don't want ice cream. I want my daddy.

I don't want a rabbit. I want my daddy.

I don't want a ride. I want my daddy.

There he is!

Daddy! Daddy!

Don't get lost again, Daddy.

## Level 3

### A Monster Sandwich

Put some lettuce on it.

Put some cheese on it.

Put some pickles on it.

Put some meat on it.

Put some tomatoes on it.

Put some bread on it.

Now take a bite. Yum, yum!

## Level 3

### My Accident

Here I am, on my skateboard.

Here I am, on the ground.

Here I am, in the ambulance.

Here I am, at the hospital.

Here I am, in the X-ray room.

Look at this!

Here I am, in the cast room.

Here I am, at home.

Look at this!

## Level 3

### My Cat

My cat loves to nap.

I love to play.

My cat loves to nap.

I love to jump.

My cat loves to nap.

I love to ride.

My cat loves to play.

No, cat, no!

It's my time to nap!

## Level 3

### My Lunch

Here is a hot dog.

I can eat a hot dog.

Here is pizza.

I can eat pizza.

Here is a banana.

I can eat a banana.

Here are grapes.

I can eat grapes.

Here is a sandwich.

I can eat a sandwich.

Here is popcorn.

I can eat popcorn.

Here is a cookie.

I can eat a cookie.

Here is my lunch.

I can eat my lunch.

## Level 3

### Our Street

This is a big house.

This is a small house.

This is a short house.

This is a tall house.

This is a tent house.

This is a bus house.

This is our house, the just-right-for-us house.

## Level 3

### Packing my Bag

I put my sandwich into my bag.

I put my apple into my bag.

I put my drink into my bag.

I put my hat into my bag.

I put my book into my bag.

I put my picture into my bag.

I put my spider into my bag . . .

. . . for my teacher!

## Level 3

### The Photo Book

Here is the photo book

Mom is in the book.

Dad is in the book.

James is in the book. Here is James.

Kate is in the book. Here is Kate.

Nick is in the book. Here is Nick.

Here is Teddy Bear.

Teddy Bear is in the book, too.

## Level 3

### The Rock Pools

"Look! We can see some seaweed."

"Look! We can see some little shells."

"Look! We can see some little crabs."

"Look! We can see some little fish."

"Look! We can see some little starfish."

"Look! We can see some little shrimps."

"Look! We can see a little...

...sea horse."

## Level 3

**Shoo!**

The cow went away.

The sheep went away.

The pig went away.

The duck went away.

The farmer went away.

The duck came back.

The pig came back.

The sheep came back.

The cow came back.

Shoo!

## Level 3

### Splashing Dad

"Here we come!" said Mom.

"No!" said Dad.

"No splashing!"

Mom said, "Here we come!"

"No! No! No!" said Dad.

"No splashing!"

Mom said, "Here we come!"

"No splashing!" said Dad.

"Here we come!" said Mom.

Splash!

## Level 3

**Stop!**

“Stop!” said the milkman, but the truck went on.

“Stop!” said the boy, but the truck went on.

“Stop!” said the girl, but the truck went on.

“Stop!” said the mail carrier, but the truck went on.

“Stop!” said the police officer, but the truck went on.

Stop! Stop! Stop!

“Stop!” said the traffic light.

**CRASH!**

## Level 3

### We Can Run

"We can run," said the children,

"and horses can run, too."

"We can swing," said the children,

"and monkeys can swing, too."

"We can crawl," said the children,

"and crabs can crawl, too."

"We can jump," said the children,

"and kangaroos can jump, too."

"We can climb," said the children,

"and cats can climb, too."

"We can swim," said the children,

"and whales can swim, too."

"We can dive," said the children,

"and penguins can dive, too."

I can climb. I can jump. I can run. I can swing.

I can crawl. I can dive. I can swim."

## Level 3

### Where Are the Babies?

Here is Mother Mouse. Where are her babies?

Here they are.

Here is Mother Hedgehog. Where are her babies?

Here they are.

Here is Mother Rabbit. Where are her babies?

Here they are.

Here is Mother Fox. Where are her babies?

Here they are.

Here is Mother Deer. Where are her babies?

Here they are.

Here is Mother Frog. Where are her babies?

Here they are.

Here is Mother Kingfisher. Where are her babies?

Where are her babies?

Here they are.

## Level 3

### Yes, I Can

I can dance with a duck.

I can march with a moose.

I can sing with a seal.

I can giggle with a goose.

I can talk with a turtle.

I can bake with a bunny.

Yes I can! And I think it's all funny.

## Level 4 Books

At the Park  
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(The) Picnic  
(The) Pencil  
Playing in the Snow  
Sally and the Daisy  
Sandy  
(The) Seesaw  
Shark in a Sack  
Soccer Sam  
That Fly  
Tiger, Tiger  
Tom Is Brave  
Under My Bed  
(The) Vacation  
Wake up, Dad

## Level 4

### At the Park

"I like to go to the park," said Rosa.

"Me, too," said Dad.

"We can go to the park."

Dad said, "I like to go see the ducks."

"Me, too," said Rosa.

"I like to go see the flowers," said Dad.

"Me, too," said Rosa.

Rosa said, "I like to go see the bees."

**"Not me!"** said Dad.

"I like to go see the butterflies," said Rosa.

"Me, too," said Dad.

"We can go see the butterflies!"

## Level 4

### Ball Games

This is a tennis ball.

Come and play tennis with me.

This is a table tennis ball.

Come and play table tennis with me.

This is a hockey ball.

Come and play hockey with us.

This is a baseball.

Come and play baseball with us.

This is a basketball.

Come and play basketball with us.

This is a soccer ball.

Come and play soccer with us.

This is a football.

Come and play football with us.

## Level 4

### Big and Little

Big ducks have little ducks — ducklings!

Big cats have little cats — kittens!

Big dogs have little dogs — puppies!

Big pigs have little pigs — piglets!

Big bears have little bears — cubs!

Big people have little people — children!

## Level 4

### The Big Kick

Dad kicked the ball, up, up, up.

"Oh, no!" shouted Dad.

"Oh, no!" shouted Tom.

Tom and Dad looked for the ball.

Tom and Dad looked and looked.

Tom and Dad looked and looked and **looked**.

Tom looked up.

"I can see the ball, up in the **tree**, said Tom.

"Look at me, up in the tree," said Tom.

"Here you are, Dad," said Tom.

"Here is the ball."

## Level 4

### Clouds

Look!

I see a dog.

Do you?

No.

I see a cat.

Do you?

No.

I see a horse.

Do you see the horse, too?

No.

I see a sheep.

Do you?

No.

I see a pig.

Do you see the pig, too?

No.

I see a mouse.

Do you?

No.

I see a rainbow.

Do you see the rainbow, too?

Yes! I see the rainbow, too.

## Level 4

### Copycat

I go up the path.

You go up the path.

I go up the steps.

You go up the steps.

I go into the house.

You go into the house.

You little copycat!

### **CATS!**

I go down the steps.

You go down the steps.

I go down the path.

You go down the path.

I go up the tree.

You go up the tree.

You big copycat!

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## Level 4

### Dan, the Flying Man

I am Dan, the flying man.

Catch me, catch me, if you can.

Over a house and over a crane.

Over a bridge and over a train.

Over flowers, over trees,

over mountains, over seas.

I am Dan, the flying man.

Catch me, catch me if you can.

All the people ran and ran.

They caught Dan, the flying man.

## Level 4

### Fishing

**On Monday** I went fishing with my mom.

**On Tuesday** I went fishing with my dad.

**On Wednesday** I went fishing with my big sister.

**On Thursday** I went fishing with my big brother.

**On Friday** I went fishing with my family.

**On Saturday** I went fishing with my grandma.

Look at my **fish!**

**On Sunday** I went fishing with my grandma again.

## Level 4

### Jim and the New Truck

Dad is up. Dad is looking at the new truck.

Jim is **not** up. Jim is in bed.

Dad said, "Wake up, Jim!"

"I am up," said Jim.

Dad said, "Jim! Jim! Wake up!"

"I am up," said Jim.

Jim is not up.

Jim is in bed.

Dad said, "Come and see the new truck."

"Here I come!" said Jim. "I am **up!**"

"I am in the new truck!"

## Level 4

### Little Mouse

Look at the dog.

He is in a cage.

Look at the bird.

He is in a cage.

I see the turtle.

He is in a cage.

Look at the hamster.

I see the snake.

He is in a cage too.

Look at the cat.

He is in a cage.

Look at me!

I am **not** in a cage.

## Level 4

### The Little Snowman

"Look at the snow!"

"Come on, Mom. Come here.

Look at the big snowball."

"Here is a little snowball, too."

"Look! Here is a little snowman!"

Look at the snowman's eyes.

Look at the snowman's mouth.

Look at the snowman's nose.

"Here is the snowman's scarf."

"Dad! Dad! Look at the little snowman!"

"Look! Here is the snowman's hat."

## Level 4

### The Merry-Go-Round

"Come here, James," said Dad.

"Come here, Kate. Come here, Nick.

Look at the merry-go-round."

Look at James. James is up on a pig.

Look at Kate. Kate is up on a duck.

Dad said, "Here is a car, Nick."

"No!" said Nick.

Dad said, "Here is a plane, Nick."

"No!" said Nick.

"A horse! Look!

A horse!" said Nick.

"Here is a horse."

James is up on a pig.

Kate is up on a duck.

Nick is up on a **horse**.

## Level 4

### My Big Car

I am going to play in my car.

I am too big. I am too big to play in my car.

I see a box. I am going to **make** a car.

Here are the wheels.

Here are the windows.

Here are the doors.

Here is my car. Here is my **big** car.

I am going to play in my **big** car.

## Level 4

### My Dog

Here is my dog.

My dog likes to play.

Here is my dog playing.

My dog likes to eat.

Here is my dog eating.

My dog likes to run.

Here is my dog running.

My dog likes to sleep on the couch.

Here is my dog sleeping on the couch.

My dog likes to go on walks.

Here is my dog walking.

My dog likes to kiss me.

I like to kiss my dog.

I love my dog!

## Level 4

### No, No

Bug, come and talk to me.

No, no. A bird is after me.

Bird, come and talk to me.

No, no. A cat is after me.

Cat, come and talk to me.

No, no. A dog is after me.

Dog, come and talk to me.

No, no. A cow is after me.

Cow, come and talk to me.

No, no. A boy is after me.

Boy, come and talk to me.

No, no. A woman is after me.

Woman, come and talk to me.

No, no. A bug is after me.

## Level 4

### A Pet for Me

"I like birds," said Mom.

"Here is a bird."

Dad said, "I like turtles.

Here is a turtle."

My friend said, "I like dogs.

Here is a dog."

"Here is a rabbit," said Dad.

"I like rabbits."

My friend said, "Here is a fish.

I like fish."

"Here is a mouse," said Mom.

"I like mice."

I said, "Here is a snake.

I like snakes."

"No! No! No!" said my mom and my dad  
and my friend.

## Level 4

### The Picnic

"I like bread," said the ant.

"I am going to eat it."

"I like cheese," said the ant.

"I am going to eat it."

"I like bananas," said the ant.

"I am going to eat them."

"I like apples," said the ant.

"I am going to eat them."

"I am going to eat a cookie," said the ant.

"I like cookies."

"We like ham," said the ants.

"We are going to eat it."

"We like cake," said the ants.

"We are going to eat it."

"I do **not** like ants," said Mom.

"We are going home!"

## Level 4

### The Pencil

"Where is my tail?" said the dog.

"Here it is," said the pencil.

"Where is my ear?" said the cat.

"Here it is," said the pencil.

"Where is my eye?" said the cow.

"Here it is," Said the pencil.

"Where is my leg?" said the sheep.

"Here it is," said the pencil.

"Where is my nose?" said the pig.

"Here it is," said the pencil.

"Where is my horn?" said the goat."

"Here it is," said the pencil.

"Where are my wings?" said the duck.

"Here they are," said the pencil.

I can fly! I can fly!

## Level 4

### Playing in the Snow

Here is my sweater.

Mom can put on my sweater.

Here are my snow pants.

Mom can put on my snow pants.

Here is my hat.

Dad can put on my hat.

Here are my boots.

Dad can put on my boots.

Here is my jacket.

Mom can put on my jacket.

Here are my mittens.

Dad can put on my mittens.

Now I can play in the snow.

## Level 4

### Sally and the Daisy

The daisy is asleep.

Here comes Sally. Can Sally see the daisy?

No. The daisy is asleep.

Here comes the sun. Wake up, daisy.

The sun is on the daisy. The daisy wakes up.

Here comes Sally. Sally can see the daisy.

"Look! A daisy! Here is a daisy."

"Mom, Mom!

Here is a daisy for you."

"Thank you, Sally."

## Level 4

### Sandy

A man ran past Sandy.

But Sandy sat.

Jan ran past Sandy.

But Sandy sat.

A big cat ran past Sandy.

But Sandy sat.

A dog ran past Sandy.

And Sandy... ran.

## Level 4

### The Seesaw

"Here is a seesaw," said Dad.

"I can go on the seesaw," said Alex.

"Look. Maria," said Alex.

"Here I am on the seesaw."

"I can go on the seesaw," said Maria.

Up, up, up, went Alex.

"Look, Dad! I am up!" said Alex.

"Look, Dad," said Maria. "I am down!"

"Look," said Dad. "Maria can go up."

Maria went up, up, up.

"Look," said Maria. "I am up!"

Alex went down, down, down.

"Look," said Alex. "I am down."

"We can go up and down," said Alex and Maria.

## Level 4

### Shark in a Sack

Can you put a shark in a sack?

Can you put a horse in a car?

Can you put a bear in a box?

Can you put a possum in a jar?

Can you put a hen in a hat?

Can you put a pig in a pan?

Can you put a lollipop in your mouth?

Yes I can!

Yes I can!

Yes I can!

## Level 4

### Soccer Sam

"I am going to play soccer," said Sam.

Sam looked for the soccer ball. He looked and looked.

"I am going to kick the ball," said Sam. He ran to the ball. "**OW!!**"

"Are you O.K.?" said the coach. "Yes," said Sam. "I am O.K."

"I **am** going to kick the ball!" said Sam. He ran to the ball.

Sam kicked the ball up, up up. . . and into the goal!

## Level 4

### That Fly

Look at that fly!

It sat on my bat.

Look at that fly!

It sat on my hat.

Look at that fly!

As--aa--aa-choo!

There it goes!

## Level 4

### Tiger, Tiger

Tiger is asleep.

Mother Monkey is asleep.

Baby Monkey is asleep.

Baby Monkey wakes up.

Here comes Baby Monkey.

Baby Monkey is hungry.

Tiger wakes up. Tiger is hungry.

Mother Monkey wakes up.

“Baby Monkey!

Come up here! Come up here!”

Here comes Tiger!

Baby Monkey is up in the tree.

Baby Monkey is **safe**.

## Level 4

### Tom Is Brave

Tom went to the store for Mom.

Tom! Tom!

Look where you are going!

Look where you are going!

"Oh! Oh! OH!" Tom cried and cried.

Tom went home. "Look, Mom! I am bleeding!"

"Oh, Tom!" said Mom.

"Here you are," said Mom.

"You are brave."

Tom went into the store. "Look!" he said.

"Look at me!"

## Level 4

### Under My Bed

What's that under my bed?

Is it a lion dressed in red?

Is it a bear with purple socks?

Is it a crocodile in a box?

Is it a monster with its mother?

I look under my bed and found. . .

My brother!

## Level 4

### The Vacation

Dad, Mom, Nick, and Matt are going on a vacation.

"Look, here is a plane," said Nick.

"Oh, no!" said Dad. "Oh, no!"

"Come on," said Mom.

"Come on. Dad," said Matt.

"Look, Dad! Come up here," said Nick and Matt.

"Oh, no!" said Dad. "Oh, no!"

"Look, Dad!" said Nick. "Here is a cave."

"Oh, no!" said Dad. "Oh, no!"

"Look! A boat," said Matt. "Here is a boat."

"Oh, no!" said Dad. "No, no, no"

"Oh, look," said Dad. "Here is a beach."

"Oh, yes, yes, yes," said Dad.

"I like the beach."

## Level 4

### Wake up, Dad

Kate is up.

Nick is up.

James is up.

Dad is asleep.

Kate said, "Wake up, Dad."

"I am asleep," said Dad.

James said, "Wake up, Dad."

"I am asleep," said Dad.

"Dad, Dad, wake up!" said Nick.

"Wake up, Dad!"

"Look, Mom! Look at Dad!"

"Wake up!" said Kate.

"Wake up!" said James.

"Wake up!" said Nick.

"Wake up!" said Mom.

"I am up," said Dad.

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## Level 5

### Along Comes Jake

Ben helps Anne with the bed.

Anne helps Dad with the garden.

Ben helps Mom with the painting.

And then along comes Jake!

Mom helps Dad with the car.

Dad helps Ben with the washing.

Anne helps Mom with the bathroom.

And then along comes Jake!

Ben helps Dad with the windows.

Dad helps Mom with the wood.

Mom helps Ben with the bike.

And then along comes Jake!

Dad helps Anne with the shopping.

Mom helps Ben with the cooking.

And then along comes Jake!

## Level 5

### The Baby Owls

Down on the farm the cows are asleep.

The pigs are asleep.

The dogs are asleep.

Up in the tree the owls are not asleep.

Hoot, hoot!

The baby owls are hungry.

Mother Owl is looking for moths.

Mother Owl sees a big moth.

Here comes Mother Owl!

Mother Owl comes to the tree.

The big moth is for the baby owls.

Hoot, hoot! Hoot, hoot!

Down on the farm the cows are asleep.

The pigs are asleep.

The dogs are asleep.

Up in the tree the baby owls are asleep too.

## Level 5

### Bags, Cans, Pots, and Pans

We are going to the van.

Get all the bags and cans.

Get all the pots and pans.

Get all the flags and fans.

I have the bags. I have the cans. I have the pots.

I have the pans. I have the flags. I have the fans.

Oh, no! We need a big new van.

## Level 5

### Ben's Teddy Bear

"Go to sleep, Ben," said Mom.

Look at Ben.

Ben is not asleep.

Ben is up!

"Mom, Mom! Where is Teddy Bear?"

Mom is looking for Teddy Bear.

Ben is looking for Teddy Bear.

Where, oh where is Teddy Bear?

"Here is Teddy Bear," said Mom.

"Thank you, Mom," said Ben.

"Go to sleep, Ben," said Mom.

"Go to sleep, Teddy Bear."

Ben and Teddy Bear are asleep.

## Level 5

### Ben's Treasure Hunt

Mom said, "Ben, come here. Here is a clue for you."

**Clue 1: Look on the swing.**

Ben went to look on the swing.

"A clue!" he shouted.

**Clue 2: Look on the television.**

Ben went to look on the television.

"A clue!" he shouted.

**Clue 3: Look on the table.**

Ben went to look on the table.

"A clue!" he shouted.

**Clue 4: Look on Teddy Bear.**

Ben went to look on Teddy Bear.

"A clue!" he shouted.

**Clue 5: Look in Mom's pocket.**

Ben went to look in Mom's pocket.

"A plane!" shouted Ben.

"I love you, Mom," said Ben.

## Level 5

### The Best Places

The best place for a red robin is in its nest.

The best place for a spider is in its web.

The best place for a sled is in the snow.

The best place for wet boots is on the mat.

The best place for my pet is on my lap.

The best place for rest is in my bed.

And this is the best place to stop!

## Level 5

### Emily's Babysitter

Here is Emily's babysitter.

"Good-bye Mom. Good-bye Dad," said Emily.

"Look, Emily. We can play ball," said the babysitter.

"No," said Emily.

"Emily, look," said the babysitter.

"We can swim in the pool."

"No," said Emily. "No, no!"

"Look, Emily. We can make a picture,"  
said the babysitter.

"No," said Emily.

"Look, Emily," said the babysitter.

"We can read a book."

"Yes," said Emily. "I like books."

## Level 5

### Father Bear Goes Fishing

Father Bear went fishing. He went down to the river.

"Where are the fish?" said Father Bear.

"Where are the fish?"

Father Bear looked up. "Here come the fish," he said.

"Fish!" shouted Father Bear.

"Fish, fish, fish!"

"Where is Father Bear?" said Mother Bear.

"Where is Father Bear?" said Baby Bear.

Mother Bear and Baby Bear went to look for Father Bear.

"Here I come," said Father Bear. "I am home."

"Look at the fish!" said Baby Bear.

"A fish for Father Bear, and a fish for Mother Bear, and a fish for me," said Baby Bear.

## Level 5

### The Flower Girl

Mom and Dad and James and Nick are at a wedding.

Kate is at the wedding, too. Kate is the flower girl.

"Look, Nick" said Mom.

"Can you see Kate?"

Kate is in the photo.

Look at Kate's flowers."

"Look at the wedding cars," said James.

"Come and see the cars, Dad."

"Flowers!" said Nick. "Flowers for me."

"Oh, no! Look at Nick!" said Dad.

"Nicola! Come here!"

"Oh, no!" said Mom.

James said, "Nick is in the photo!"

"Look at me," said Nick.

"I am a flower girl, too."

## Level 5

### A Friend for Little White Rabbit

"Little white lamb, little white lamb,  
please will you play with me?" said the little white  
rabbit.

"No, I will not," said the little white lamb. "Go away."

"Little white duck, little white duck, please will you  
play with me?" said the little white rabbit.

"No I will not," said the little white duck.

"Go away."

"Who will play with me?" said the little white rabbit.

"Oh who will play with me?"

Who is this? Who is coming?

A little brown rabbit is coming.

"Hello, little brown rabbit," said the little white rabbit.

"Please will you play with me?"

"Yes," said the little brown rabbit.

"Yes I will play with you.

Come on!"

## Level 5

### A Fun Place to Eat

I want a fun place to eat!

I do not want to sit still.

I want to spin in my chair.

I want to flip my spoon.

I want to clap my hands.

I want to stamp my feet.

I want an ice cream float.

And so...

Mom and Dad took me to a new place to eat.

I got to spin in my chair.

I got to flip my spoon.

I got to clap my hands.

I got to stamp my feet.

And I got an ice cream float.

## Level 5

### Gabby is Hungry

Gabby is hungry.

Dad is cooking hot dogs.

Here is a hot dog for Matt.

"Woof, woof," said Gabby.

"No, Gabby," said Matt. "Go away."

Here is a hot dog for Nick.

"Woof, woof," said Gabby.

"No, Gabby," said Nick. "Go away."

Here is a hot dog for Mom.

Gabby is **so** hungry.

"Woof, woof, **woof**," said Gabby.

"Gabby, are you hungry?" said Dad.

"Woof!" said Gabby.

"Here is a hot dog for you."

"Woof, woof!" said Gabby.

## Level 5

### Goodbye, Lucy

Goodbye, Lucy.

Oops! I forgot something.

Mom! I forgot my book.

Here it is. Goodbye, Lucy. Goodbye, Mom.

Oops!

I forgot something.

Mom! Mom! I forgot my lunch!

Goodbye, Lucy. Goodbye, Mom.

Oops!

Mom! I forgot something!

What?

You have your bag. You have your book.

You have your lunch. What is it?

I know!

I forgot my goodbye hug!

## Level 5

### The Haunted House

I am a ghostie, a big scary ghostie.

I live in the haunted house, and I go...

Oo-oo-oo-oo

I am a spook owl, a big, scary spook owl.

I live in the haunted house, and I go...

Woo-oo-oo-oo

I am a monster, a big, scary monster.

I live in the haunted house and I go...

Boo!

I am Antonio, a little boy, Antonio.

I am in the haunted house,

and I'm not scared of YOU.

Shoo! Shoo! SHOO!

## Level 5

### Help Me

"Help me," said Dad.

"No," said Max. "No," said Kira. "No," said Julie.

"Help me! Help me!" said Dad.

"No," said Kira. "I am busy."

"No," said Julie. "I am busy."

"No," said Max. "I am busy, too."

"Help me," said Dad.

"No," said Kira. "No," said Max.

"No," said Julie. "We are busy."

"Help me!" said Dad. "I am making a cake."

"No, no, no," said Julie. "No, no, no," said Kira.

"No, no, **no**," said Max.

"Help me," said Dad.

"Yes," said Max. "I like cake."

"Yes," said Kira. "I like cake."

"Yes," said Julie. "I like cake."

"No," said Dad. "You are too busy."

## Level 5

### Hide and Seek

Dad said, "1 and 2 and 3 and ..."

James hid in the box.

Dad said, "4 and 5 and 6 and ..."

Nick hid on the chair.

Dad said, "7 and 8 and 9 and ..."

Kate hid up in the tree.

"10!" shouted Dad. "Here I come!"

Dad looked in the box.

"I can see you, James," he said.

Dad looked at the chair.

"I can see you, Nick," said Dad.

Dad looked for Kate. He looked and looked and looked.

"Where is Kate?" said Dad. "Where is Kate?"

"Come here, Kate."

"You win!" shouted Dad. "Where are you?"

"Look in the tree, Dad," said Kate.

"Here I am!"

## Level 5

### A Hot Day

Willy is playing up in the tree.

"Can I play in the tree, too?" said Jess.

"No," said Willy.

"I am playing here."

Willy is playing in the sandbox.

"Can I play in the sandbox, too?" said Jess.

"No," said Willy.

"I am playing here."

"Here is the sprinkler," said Jess.

"I can play in the sprinkler."

Willy looked at Jess.

"Can I play in the sprinkler, to?" said Willy.

Jess looked at Willy.

"Yes," said Jess.

"You can play in the sprinkler, too."

"Come on!"

## Levels 5

### Hot Dogs

"Mom is asleep and I am hungry," said Tom.

"Sh-sh-sh!" said Dad.

"The hot dogs are in here," said Tom.

"Here are the matches," said Tom.

"Thank you, Tom," said Dad.

"Look at the fire!" said Tom.

"Here you are, Tom," said Dad.

"Here is a hot dog for you to cook."

"The hot dogs are cooking," said Tom.

"I am hungry."

"Here comes Mom," said Tom.

"Here is a hot dog for you," said Dad.

"Thank you," said Mom.

"I am hungry, too."

## Level 5

### The Hungry Kitten

"Meow, I like this," said the hungry little kitten.

"Go away," said a big cat. "Go away, little kitten."

"Meow, I like this," said the hungry little kitten.

"Grrr . . . grrr . . . grrr. Go away," said a big dog.

"Go away, little kitten. Grrr . . . grrr . . . grrr."

The hungry little kitten went away.

"Hello, little kitten," said a boy. "Are you hungry?"

"Meow, meow, meow," said the hungry little kitten.

"We will take care of you," said the boy's mother.

"We like kittens' " said the boy.

The little kitten said, "Meow.

I like you. I will stay here."

## Level 5

### I Can Swim

I can swim.

First I get wet.

I bet I can swim as fast as a fish.

I zip in the water.

I kick my legs.

I bet I can swim with red fins.

I bet I can swim with a red mask.

I swim. I zip.

I kick.

Yes, I can swim.

I can swim as fast as a fish.

## Level 5

### In a Dark, Dark Wood

In a dark, dark wood,  
there was a dark, dark path.  
And up that dark, dark path,  
there was a dark, dark house.  
And in that dark, dark house,  
there was a dark, dark stair.  
And up that dark, dark stair,  
there was a dark, dark room.  
And in that dark, dark room,  
there was a dark, dark cupboard.  
And in that dark, dark cupboard,  
there was a dark, dark box.  
And in that dark, dark box  
there was a ghost!

## Level 5

### It's Hot

Mom, I'm hot.

Do you want a hat?

Do you want a cap?

No, I want a fan.

Mom, I'm hot.

Do you want a can of pop?

Do you want to sit on this rock?

No, I want a fan.

Mom, I'm still hot.

Okay, go get the fan.

I've got the fan.

## Level 5

### Little Fox

"We can play with the cars," said Raccoon.

"O.K.," said Bunny.

"No," said Little Fox.

"I like to play with planes. We can play with the planes."

"Look!" said Raccoon.

"We can play with the cars **and** the planes."

"O.K.," said Bunny.

"No," said Little Fox.

"I like to play with planes. I am going to play with the planes."

"O.K.," said Raccoon.

"Bunny and I can play with the cars."

"I like to play with Raccoon and Bunny," said Little Fox.

"I can play with the cars."

"Can I play with you?" said Little Fox.

## Level 5

### The Little Hen

The little hen wanted to make a cake.

"Will you help me?" she asked.

"Not !!" said the big dog. "Not !!" said the pet cat.

"Not !!" said the red fox.

"Then I will do it myself."

"Will you help me now?" asked the little hen.

"Not !!" said the big dog. "Not !!" said the pet cat.

"Not !!" said the red fox.

"Then I will do it myself."

"Will you help me now?" asked the little hen.

"Yes!" said the big dog. "Yes!" said the pet cat.

"Yes!" said the red fox.

"No!" said the little hen. "I will do it all by myself!"

## Level 5

### Look for Me

Mom looked for David in the toy box.

"No, he's not here," she said.

She looked for him up the chimney.

"No, he's not here," she said.

She looked for him in the clock.

"No, he's not here," she said.

She looked for him in the teapot.

"No, he's not here," she said.

"Where is that boy?" (giggle -- giggle)

Mom looked for David under the rug.

**"Here he is," she said.**

## Level 5

### Looking for Worms

"We are hungry," said the baby skunks.

"Come on!" said Mother Skunk. "We are going to look for worms."

"Look at me," said Mother Skunk. "Here is a worm."

"Thank you," said the baby skunks.

"No," said Mother Skunk. "This worm is not for you. This worm is for me. **You** go look for worms."

The baby skunks looked and looked and **looked**.

"Here!" said the baby skunks. "Here are the worms!"

The baby skunks are going home with Mother Skunk.

The baby skunks are not hungry!

## Level 5

### No, Bo!

On Monday, Bo climbed up on the chair. "No!" shouted Mom. "Get down!"

On Tuesday Bo climbed up on the table. "No, Bo!" shouted Dad. "You can't get up on the table!"

On Wednesday, Bo climbed up on the sofa. Mom shouted, "No, Bo! Get down!"

On Thursday, Bo climbed up on Mom and Dad's bed. "No!" shouted Mom and Dad. "Get down, Bo! Down!"

On Friday, Bo climbed up on my sister's bed. She shouted, "No, Bo! Get down!"

On Saturday, Bo climbed up on my brother's bed. My

brother shouted, "No, Bo! Bad dog!"

On Sunday Bo climbed up on my bed. I said, "Good dog, Bo."

## Level 5

### Pancakes for Breakfast

Max is asleep. "Wake up, Max," said Mom.

Kira is asleep. "Wake up, Kira," said Mom.

Julie is asleep. "Wake up, Julie," said Mom.

Dad is up. Dad is making pancakes for breakfast.

"Here I am," said Julie. "Here I am," said Kira.

"I am hungry," said Julie. "I am hungry," said Kira.

"Dad is making pancakes for breakfast," said Mom.

"Pancakes, **yes!**" said Julie.

"Is Max up?" said Mom.

"No, Max is asleep," said Julie.

"Max, wake up!" said Mom.

"Dad is making pancakes for breakfast."

"Pancakes!" said Max. "I am up!"

## Level 5

### The Playground

I like to go to the playground.

Mom likes to go to the playground, too.

Here is the house.

I like to go in the house.

Mom likes to go in the house, too.

Mom and I like to go on the swings.

Here is the seesaw.

Mom and I like to go on the seesaw.

I like to go up the ladder.

Mom likes to go up the ladder, too.

Mom and I like to go down the slide.

Here is the tire.

Mom likes to go on the tire.

I like to go on the tire, too.

Mom and I like to go to the playground!

## Level 5

### Rush, Rush, Rush

Shut the door. Then mop the floor.

Rush, rush, rush.

Take a bath. Then do your math.

Rush, rush, rush.

Catch a fish. Then wash a dish.

Rush, rush, rush.

Clean the shed. Then make your bed.

Rush, rush, rush.

There's no time to do much more.

Grandmother is at the door.

## Level 5

### Too Big for Me

Up, up, up came Little Spider, to see what he could see.

"What a big fly," he said. "Too big for me to catch."

"What a big bee," he said. "Too big for me to catch."

"What a big butterfly," he said. "Too big for me to catch."

"What a big, big bird," he said. "He will catch me!"

"Down,

down,

down

I go."

"He's way too big for me."

## Level 5

### Too High!

"Get the balloon!" said the frog.

"I can't," said the duck. "It's too high!"

So the balloon went by.

"Get it!" said the cow.

"I can't," said the hen. "It's too high!"

So the balloon went by.

"Get it!" said the lion.

"I can't," said the bear. "It's too high!"

So the balloon went by.

"It's not too high for me!" said the butterfly.

"Good-bye!"

## Level 5

### Two Little Dogs

"Look! The door's open."

"That's good."

"Look! The gate's open."

"That's good."

The two little dogs ran after a cat.

They ran after a bird.

They ran after a mouse.

They ran after a rabbit.

"Look! A big, big dog."

"That's bad!" they said.

"We won't run after him."

And they didn't.

He ran after them all the way home.

"Look! The gate's open."

"That's good."

"Look! The door's open."

"That's good."

## Level 5

### Zoe's Birthday Presents

"Oh, look," said Zoe.

"Here are my birthday presents."

"Look," said Zoe. "Here is a baseball glove."

"Wow," said the kids.

Zoe said, "Look at this. Here is a video."

"Wow," said the kids.

"Look," said Zoe. "Here is a **big** box."

"Wow," said the kids.

"Oh!" said Zoe. "Look! Here is another box."

"Oh!" said the kids.

"Oh, no!" said Zoe. "Here is **another** box!"

"Oh, no!" said the kids.

"Oh, look," said Zoe. "**Here** is the present."

"Here is a fish," said Zoe.

"Wow!" said the kids.

## Level 6 Books

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What is at the Top?  
Where are the Sunhats?

## Level 6

### The Bike Ride

Dad said, "I am going for a ride on my bike."

Dad put on his helmet.

"Can I go for a ride, too?" said Zack.

"O.K." said Dad. "Put on your helmet, Zack."

Zack put on his helmet.

"Look, Dad. I've got on my helmet," said Zack.

Dad and Zack went up the hill.

Dad and Zack went down the hill.

Dad and Zack went fast.

Oh no!

"Dad, are you O.K.?" said Zack.

Dad said, "I am O.K."

"I am O.K. too," said Zack.

Dad said "I've got on my helmet."

"I've got on my helmet, too!" said Zack.

## Level 6

### Blackberries

Father Bear and Mother Bear and Baby Bear went to look for blackberries.

Father Bear's blackberries went into this basket.

Mother Bear's blackberries went into this basket.

Baby Bear's blackberries went into this basket.

"Blackberries, blackberries, I like blackberries," said Baby Bear.

"Where is Baby Bear?" said Mother Bear. "Father Bear is Baby Bear with you?"

"No," said Father Bear. "Where is he?"

"Baby Bear, where are you?" shouted Father Bear.

"Baby Bear, where are you?" shouted Mother Bear.

"Here I am," said Baby Bear. "I'm here."

Father Bear looked in Baby Bear's basket.

"Where are your blackberries?" he said.

"In here," said Baby Bear. "Inside me."

## Level 6

### Choosing a Puppy

"Hello, Rachel! Hello, Sam!" said Andy. "Come and see the puppies."

They are here in the basket with the mother dog."

Rachel said, "Oh look, Sam! The puppies are asleep."

Dad said, "Do you see a puppy you like?"

"I like this little brown puppy," said Rachel.

"I like this little puppy with the spots," said Sam.

"The puppy with the spots is awake," said Dad.

"Here he comes. Look, Sam!"

The puppy went for a little walk.

"Come on, puppy," said Sam. The puppy sat down.

He looked up at Rachel. "Oh, look!" said Rachel. "He likes me! Come on, come to me . . . Spot!"

Spot got up, and he went to Rachel and Sam.

"We like Spot," said Sam. "Can he come home with us?"

"Yes, he can go home with you today," said Andy.

"He is the biggest puppy." "Oh, thank you, Andy," said Rachel. "Come on, Spot," said Sam. "You are coming

home with us."

## Level 6

### Fix It, Fox

Pig said, "Fix it, Fox."

Fox put the pot in the box.

Mouse said, "Fix it, Fox."

Fox put the pan in the box.

Cat said, "Fix it, Fox."

Fox put the pen in the box.

Dog said, "Fix it, Fox."

Fox put the fan in the box.

"Fix the pot.

Fix the pan.

Fix the pen.

Fix the fan."

We'll help.

## Level 6

### Hermit Crab

Hermit Crab is at home. She is inside a shell.

She is too big for this little shell.

Hermit Crab is looking for a big shell.

This shell is big. Hermit Crab will look inside.

Oh, no! A big hermit crab is inside.

Here comes a fish, a big hungry fish. He likes to eat hermit crabs!

Help! Help! Help! Help!

Where is a home for Hermit Crab?

There is a big shell.

This is a good home for Hermit Crab.

She is going inside.

Go away, big hungry fish. Go away, oh go away!

Hermit Crab is not for you.

She is not for you today.

Hermit Crab is safe.

## Level 6

### A Home for Little Teddy

"I can not sleep here," said Little Teddy. "Where can I sleep?" Little Teddy went to look for a home. He went to see the mouse.

"Can I come in?" said Little Teddy. "I am looking for a home."

"No," said the mouse. "You can not come in. This is a home for mice."

Little Teddy went away. He went to see the rabbit.

"Can I come in?" said Little Teddy. "I am looking for a home."

"No," said the rabbit. "You can not come in. This is a home for rabbits."

Little Teddy went away. Little Teddy went to see the little dolls.

"Can I come in?" he said. "I am looking for a home."

The dolls looked at Little Teddy.

"Come in, Little Teddy," said the dolls. "You can sleep up

here, in this little bed.”

“Oh, thank you,” said Little Teddy.

“This is a good home for a little teddy!

## Level 6

### The Lion and The Rabbit

"I am hungry," said a lion. "I'll go and get a rabbit to eat."

The lion got a rabbit. The lion looked up.

"Here comes a big deer," he said. "I'll go and get the deer. This rabbit is too little."

And he let the rabbit go.

Away went the deer. Away went the lion.

The deer ran and ran and the lion ran after it.

The deer ran fast . . . and it got away!

The hungry lion came back to get the rabbit.

"My rabbit has gone! It has gone!" said the lion.

And he had to stay hungry.

## Level 6

### The Little Cousins Visit

Here are the little cousins.

The little cousins are visiting Nick and Matt.

"Nick, come and play.

Matt, come and play," said the little cousins,

"Nick, you can be a horsey. Matt, you can be a horsey."

"OK," said Nick. "OK," said Matt.

"Nick and Matt, come and play," said the little cousins.

"We can go for a ride in the wagon."

"OK," said Matt. "OK," said Nick.

"Nick, come and swim.

Matt, come and swim," said the little cousins,

"OK," said Nick. "OK," said Matt.

"Nick and Matt, come and play on the trampoline," said the little cousins.

"OK," said Matt. "OK," said Nick.

"Come and nap," said Matt.

"Come and nap," said Nick.

“Oh, no,” said the little cousins. “Oh, no!

## Level 6

### My Lost Top

I had a top. It was a fast top.

It was the best top.

But one day the top just did not stop.

It slid past my dad. It slid past my mom.

It went so fast. It did not stop.

It hit the door with a snap. But it still did not stop.

It went down the step. It must be lost.

Too bad.

It was my best top.

## Level 6

### Nanny Goat's Nap

"I need a nap," said Nanny Goat.

"I need a nap NOW!"

"Goose, may I take a nap in the nest?"

"No, you may not," said Goose.

"Pig, may I take a nap in the pen?"

"No, you may not," said Pig.

"Grasshopper, may I take a nap in the garden?"

"No, you may not," said Grasshopper.

"Squirrel, may I take a nap in the tree?"

"No, you may not," said Squirrel.

"I need a nap," said Nanny Goat.

I need a nap NOW!"

"Oh, good," said Nanny Goat.

"Now I can take a good nap."

## Level 6

### A Picnic at the Beach

Dee and Mom went to the beach for a picnic.

"I am hungry," said Dee.

"Me, too," said Mom.

"Here is a sandwich for you," said Mom.

"Thank you," said Dee.

"Here comes a seagull!" shouted Dee.

Dee looked at the seagull.

The seagull looked at Dee's sandwich.

"Come here, seagull! Come to me!" said Dee.

"Look, Mom! He likes me!"

"No," said Mom.

"He likes your **sandwich!**"

"Here is a sandwich," said Mom.

"This sandwich is for **you**, not for the **seagull!**"

"Thank you," said Dee.

## Level 6

### The Pool

Dee went to the pool with Andy and Rob.

Mom and Dad went, too.

"I am going in," said Mom.

She went into the pool.

Mom said to Dee.

"Come in the pool with me!"

"No!" said Dee.

"I can't go in! I can't!"

Then Dad went into the pool.

"Come on, Dee!" he said.

"You can do it! Come in with me."

Dee said, "No, I can't!"

Rob said, "I will help you, Dee. Come in with me."

"No," said Dee.

"I can't go in the pool."

So Rob went into the pool.

Andy said to Dee, "here I go! Look at me! I can go in the pool, and **you** can't!"

"I can too!" shouted Dee.

"No you can't," said Andy.

"Yes I can!" shouted Dee.

**"See!"**

## Level 6

### The Roller Coaster

"Look, Dad!" said Carlos. "Here is the roller coaster!"

"Wow!" said Maria. "That is a **big** roller coaster!"

"Can we go on it, Dad?" said Carlos. "Can we, **please**?"  
said Maria. Dad looked at the roller coaster. Then he

looked at Carlos and Maria.

"Yes," said Dad. "We can go on the roller coaster." "Oh, thank you, Dad!" said Maria and Carlos.

Maria and Carlos got into the roller coaster. Dad got into the roller coaster, too.

The roller coaster went up, and up, and up, and up.

Then the roller coaster went down, down, down.

"I liked going on the roller coaster," said Maria. "Me, too," said Carlos.

"Not me!" said Dad.

## Level 6

### Sally's Beans

Mom went into the garden. Sally went, too.

"Here you are, Sally," said Mom. "Here are 10 beans for you." In went the beans.

Sally looked for the beans, day after day.

"Come up, beans," said Sally. "Come up, beans. Where are you?"

"My beans are up!" shouted Sally.

"Look, Mom! 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 beans."

Sally watered the beans, day after day. "1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. .

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8, 9, 10 beans!" she said. "Ten beans."

The beans liked the water and they liked the sun.

They grew and grew. "Look down here, Sally," said Mom.

"Look at this! See the little green beans."

Sally took care of the beans, day after day.

"Here is a big bean," she said.

"This is a big bean, too.

Look at my beans, Mom."

"I like beans," said Sally.

## Level 6

### Soccer at the Park

Tim looked at the big boys playing soccer.

They kicked the ball up and down the park.

Tim said, "Can I play with you? I like playing soccer."

"No," said a big boy. "You are too little to play soccer with us."

Tim went away. He looked back at the big boys.

A boy ran and kicked the ball.

The ball went up, and it came all the way down to Tim.

Tim ran to the ball, and he kicked it back.

The ball went up, up, up, all the way back to the big boys.

The boys looked at Tim.

"Come on," said a big boy. "You can play with us. You are good at soccer, for a little boy."

So Tim ran to play soccer with the big boys.

## Level 6

### Ted's Red Sled

On Monday, Ted got red snow boots. But it didn't snow.

On Tuesday, Ted got a red hat. But it didn't snow.

On Wednesday, Ted got red mittens. But it didn't snow.

On Thursday, Ted got a red sled. But it didn't snow.

On Friday, Ted put on his red snow boots, his red hat, and his red mittens. But it didn't snow.

So Ted went back to bed.

## Level 6

## What is at the Top?

A frog came to a big hill.

"What is at the top?" asked the frog. "I think it's a big bug."

Hop, hop, hop. The frog went to the top.

A dog came to the big hill. "What is at the top?" asked the dog. "I think it's a big bone."

Trot, trot, trot. The dog went to the top.

A cat came to the big hill. "What is at the top?" asked the cat. "I think it's a big dish of milk."

Skip, skip, skip. The cat went to the top.

A pig came to the hill. "What is at the top?" asked the pig. "I think it's a big pot of corn."

Hip-hop, hip-hop, hip-hop. The pig went to the top.

The frog got to the top. The dog got to the top.

The cat got to the top. The pig got to the top.

The frog said, "There's a dog at the top!"

The dog said, "There's a cat at the top!"

The cat said, "There's a pig at the top!"

The pig said, "There's a frog at the top!"

And they all said, "Now let's get something to eat."

## Level 6

### Where are the Sunhats?

The  and the  are in the car.

Dad and Mom are in the car. Kate and James and Nick are in the car. Where are they going?

"The hats!" said Mom. "Where are the sunhats?"

"Come on," said Dad. "Home we go."

They went home to look for the sunhats. They went inside to look for the sunhats.

"Here is my sunhat," said Mom.

"Here is my sunhat," said Kate.

"Here is my sunhat," said James.

"Here is my sunhat," said Nick. "Look at me!"

"Where is my hat?" said Dad. "In here? No."

"Up here? No." "Down here? No."

Where is Dad's hat? James went to look in the car.

"Come here, Dad. Look!" shouted James.

"My hat!" said Dad. "Thank you, James."

Off they went to the beach.

## LEVEL 7 BOOKS

\*\* = Trade book likely available in your school or public library a typed copy may not be provided.

Baby Bear's Present  
Baby Hippo  
Ben's Dad  
Dee and Me  
Dragon's Lunch  
\*\* Go Dog Go  
Honey for Baby Bear  
Hungry Turtle  
Jane's Car  
Jolly Roger, the pirate  
Kickball  
(The) Library  
Little Frog's Monster Story  
Lucky Goes to Dog School  
Mom's Shoes  
Mumps  
My Hamster, Van  
Planting a Garden  
Playing Ball  
Pop! Pops the Popcorn  
\*\* (The) Prince's Tooth is Loose  
Sally's Red Bucket  
Sally's Spaceship  
Seagull is Clever  
Three Little Pigs and One Big Pig  
(The) Trip  
Watch Me  
Where is Hannah?  
Zip Me Up  
(The) Zookeeper

## Level 7

### Baby Bear's Present

Mother Bear said, "Baby Bear has no toys. Let's get a toy for Baby Bear."

"Yes, he is a **good** little bear," said Father Bear. "He helps you and he helps me. Let's go to the store today."

They looked in the store window. "I like cars," said Baby Bear. "Can I have a car, please?"

"We will look at the trains, too," said Father Bear. "I like trains."

The three bears went into the store. "Look at this big blue car!" said Baby Bear. "Can I get in and have a ride?"

"I like this toy train," said Father Bear. "This little key makes it go."

"I can help Baby Bear play with it at home. Let's get the toy train," he said.

"No! No!" said Baby Bear. "I like the blue car. **I** can make it go. I can go for rides in it. Please let me have the car."

Father Bear said, "I like the train."

Mother Bear said, "Baby Bear likes the car. The toy is not for **you**, Father Bear."

"No, the toy is not for me," said Father Bear. "It's for Baby Bear, and **he** likes the car. We will get the blue car."

"Look at **me!**" said Baby Bear.

## Level 7

### Baby Hippo

The hippos are asleep down in the river.

Can you see Baby Hippo? Baby Hippo is in the river, too. He is asleep on Mother Hippo's back.

He is safe. The lions are asleep in the sun. They like the sun.

The sun is going down.

Mother Hippo is asleep, and Baby Hippo is going for a walk.

The lions wake up. They are hungry.

Baby Hippo is not looking at the lions.

The lions can see Baby Hippo. Here they come.

Mother Hippo wakes up. She sees the lions.

Here comes Mother Hippo! Mother Hippo is big.

She is **too** big! The lions run away.

The hippos are back in the river, and Baby Hippo is safe.

## Level 7

### Ben's Dad

Mom said, "Dad is coming home today."

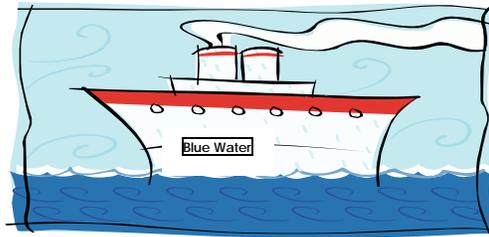
Ben shouted, "Today! Today! Dad is coming home today."

Ben went to school.

"My dad is coming home today," he said to the teacher.

"My dad is coming home today," he said to the boys and girls.

"I'm going to paint my dad," said Ben.



"Where is your dad?" said the teacher.

"Look," said Ben. "Look down here. Look at the engines."

Dad takes care of the engines on the ship."

After school the teacher said, "Ben – look!

Here comes your dad."

"Hello, Ben," said Dad. "Dad, Dad!" shouted Ben.

And Ben went home with Dad.

## Level 7

### Dee and Me

My sister Dee wants to do all the things that I can do.

I can make my bed. Dee likes to make her bed, too.

She says she can do it all by herself.

But sometimes she needs a little help.

I can sweep the floor. Dee likes to sweep the floor, too.

She says she can do it all by herself.

But sometimes she needs a little help.

I can dress myself. Dee likes to dress herself, too.

She says she can do it all by herself.

But sometimes she needs a little help.

I can brush my teeth. Dee likes to brush her teeth, too.

She says she can do it all by herself.

But sometimes she needs a little help. What a mess!

I can feed our pet mouse. Dee likes to feed our pet, too.

She says she can do it all by herself.

But sometimes she needs a little help.

I can eat all my dinner. Then I can have pie.

Dee likes pie, too. She says she can eat it all by herself.

And do you know what? She NEVER needs any help.

## Level 7

### Dragon's Lunch

Dragon was hungry. "I want lunch," said Dragon.

Dad gave him some fish.

"I want something else," said Dragon.

Mom gave him some toast.

"I want something else," said Dragon.

Kent gave him a sandwich.

"I want something else," said Dragon.

More fish? More toast?

More sandwiches? Mom asked.

"No!" said Dragon. "I want something else!"

"A toothbrush?" Amy asked.

"Yes, that's what I want!" said Dragon.

Dragon brushed his teeth at the sink.

"Now I am done," he said. And off went the dragon.

## Level 7

### Honey for Baby Bear

"I like honey," said Baby Bear.

*Honey for me, Honey for me,  
Honey for breakfast  
And honey for tea.*

"Who makes honey?" said Baby Bear.

"Bees make honey," said Mother Bear.

"Bees make honey," said Baby Bear, "and I **like** honey.

"He went into the big forest to look for bees. "I can see some bees," he said. "Where are they going?"

The bees went into a tree. Baby Bear looked in the tree.

"**Honey!**" he said "Honey for me!"

"The honey is all gone. I'm going home," said Baby Bear. "Oh help! Where am I? I'm **lost!**"

"I'm lost," said Baby Bear. "I'm lost, but I'm good at climbing.

I will climb this big tree to see where I am." Up he went.

"I can see the river," he said. "I can see Father Bear!"

Baby Bear shouted and shouted, and Father Bear looked up.

"**I'm lost!**" shouted Baby Bear. "Stay where you are," said Father Bear. "I will come and get you."

"Here I am," said Father Bear. "Come with me. We will go home to Mother Bear. The forest is too big for baby bears."

"Yes," said Baby Bear. "I got lost."

"But I had some honey!"

## Level 7

### Hungry Turtle

"I'm hungry," said Turtle.

"There is no food here in the grass...but there is food in the pond. I will have to cross the road."

Turtle took one step...then another step...

Turtles are slow. They are very, very slow.

Then Turtle saw a car.

"Can I get across the road before the car comes?" she said. She took one more step.

The car got closer and closer.

"I can't get across," said Turtle.

"I will have to go back."

"Oh, no!" shouted Turtle. Screech!!

The car stopped just in time.

A little boy looked out of the window.

"Dad! It's a turtle!" he said.

The boy got out of the car.

"You can't stay here," he said to Turtle.

"You will get hit by a car."

The boy picked up Turtle and put her in the grass.

"You will be safe here," he said.

"I'm hungry," said Turtle.

"There is no food here in the grass...but there is food in the pond. I will have to cross the road again."

## Level 7

### Jane's Car

Jane liked her yellow car.

She cleaned it and took care of it.

One day Jane said, "Oh, **no!**

My yellow car won't go!"

Jane looked at the engine.

"I can't make it go," she said.

"I will have to get help."

My car won't go. Can you help me?

Yes, we can help you. Where are you?

A tow truck came to get Jane's car.

Jane climbed into the tow truck, and off they went.

At the garage they looked at the car's engine.

They went to get a new  battery.

"This new battery will make your car go," they said.

And it did. "Thank you," said Jane. She got into her yellow car and off she went.

*Toot-toot.*

## Level 7

### Jolly Roger, The Pirate

"Jolly Roger is asleep," said the pirates.

"We will hide his big coat. We will hide his big boots."

Jolly Roger woke up. "Where are my big boots?" he said.

"Here they are," said Jolly Roger.

"Where is my big coat?" he said.

"I can see my big coat," said Jolly Roger.

Jolly Roger went to look for his pirate hat.

"Where is my pirate hat?" he said. "My pirate hat is **not** in here."

"My pirate hat is **not** up here. Where is my pirate hat?"

Jolly Roger looked and looked for his pirate hat.

"Look down here. Look down here at the sea," said the pirates.

Look down here. Look down here at the sea.

Jolly Roger went to look at the sea. He looked down.

Ha-ha! Ha-ha!

"My hat! My pirate hat!" said Jolly Roger.

## Level 7

### Kickball

"Come on, Marco," said Josh and Kate.

"Let's go play kickball!" shouted Sam.

"No," said Marco.

"I'm not good at kicking."

The boys and girls went to play kickball, but Marco went and sat on the bench.

Kate kicked the ball. The ball went way up and over the bench.

"Marco! Can you get the ball for us?" shouted Josh.

Marco ran to get the ball.

"I got it!" shouted Marco.

"Kick it back to us!" called Josh.

Marco looked down at the ball.

"Kick it, Marco!" shouted Sam.

Marco put the ball down on the grass.

Then he got up and kicked the ball, and it went all the way back to Josh.

“Good kick!” shouted Sam.

“Way to go!” called Josh.

“Thanks!” said Marco.

“I can kick the ball after all!”

“Will you play with us **now**?” asked Kate.

“Yes,” said Marco. “I will play kickball!”

## Level 7

### The Library

"Mom, can we go to the library and get a video?" said Chen.

"Yes, and we can get books too," said Mom.

Mom and Chen went to the library.

"Wow! Here is a good video," called Chen.

"Shhh!" said Mom.

"Look, here is a good book," said the librarian.

"Here is a good video! Look, Mom!" called Chen.

"Shhh!" said Mom.

The librarian said, "Look at this book!"

"Wow! Here is a good video!" called Chen.

"Shhhhh!" said Mom.

"Look at **this** good book," said the librarian.

Mom said, "Look Chen. **Here** is a good video."

"Shhhhh!" said Chen.

## Level 7

### Little Frog's Monster Story

Little Frog saw a GREAT BIG monster. He couldn't wait to tell someone about it.

"I'll go tell Dog," said Little Frog.

Off he went to see Dog.

"I saw a monster!" said Little Frog. "It has a GREAT BIG head."

"OH, NO!" said Dog. And he ran away.

"I'll go tell Bear," said Little Frog.

Off he went to see Bear.

"I saw a monster!" said Little Frog. "It had a GREAT BIG head."

"It had a GREAT BIG nose."

"OH, NO!" said Bear. And he ran away.

"I'll go tell Big Frog," said Little Frog.

Off he went to see Big Frog.

"I saw a monster," said Little Frog.

"It has a GREAT BIG head."

"It has a GREAT BIG nose."

"And it has a little pink tail."

"A little pink tail?" asked Big Frog.

"That's not a monster.

That's a HOG!"

## Level 7

### Lucky Goes to Dog School

Dad and Rachel and Lucky the dog went to the store.

"A car is coming," said Rachel. "Woof!" said Lucky.

"Come here, Lucky," shouted Dad.

"Come here, Lucky," shouted Rachel.

"Naughty dog!" said Dad. "Come here!"

"Look at this, Rachel," said Dad. "Look - a dog school!"

Dad and Rachel and Lucky went in.

"Woof! Woof!" said Lucky.

"Sit," said the teacher. "Sit, Lucky," said Dad. "No, Lucky. **Sit!**"

The teacher came to help. "Sit like this," he said to Lucky.

"Sit. **Sit!**" "Woof!" said Lucky.

"Sit, Lucky," said Dad. "Sit.

**Sit**, you naughty dog! Stay with me and sit **down!**"

Dad and Rachel and Lucky went home.

"Sit, Lucky," said Rachel.

"Sit. **Sit!** Good dog! Dad! Look at Lucky!"

"Good dog!" said Dad. "Woof, woof!" said Lucky.

## Level 7

### Mom's Shoes

"I can't find my shoes," said Mom.

"Where are they? I'm going to be late for work."

Mom looked in the closet. "Are they in here?" she said. "No. They are not in here."

Mom looked under the chair. "Are they down here?" said Mom.

"No. they are not down here."

Mom looked for her shoes under the bed. Then Dad came into the room. "What are you doing?" said Dad. "I'm looking for my shoes," said Mom.

"I have to find them, or I'm going to be late for work. Have you seen them?" "No," said Dad. "I will help you look for them."

Then Lin came into the room. "Look at me!" she said. "I'm going to work."

Mom and Dad looked at Lin. "My shoes!" said Mom. "Here they are!"

## Level 7

### Mumps

#### *On Monday*

Tom came home after school and said, "I'm not hungry. I'm going to bed."

#### *On Tuesday*

"Mom! Mom, come here!" said Tom.

"Mumps," said Mom. "Stay in bed and we will take care of you."

Dad came in. "Mumps," he said. "You look like this! Stay in bed, Tom."

Mom and Dad took care of Tom.

He stayed in bed and he went to sleep.

#### *On Wednesday*

Dad said, "Here you are, Tom. This is a book for you to read."

#### *On Thursday*

Tom said, "Look at me! My mumps are going down."

#### *On Friday*

"I'm hungry," said Tom.

"Where are the mumps?" said Mom.

"They went away."

## Level 7

### My Hamster, Van

I have a hamster. His name is Van.

Van is tan and white.

He has black eyes and a pink nose.

I feed him.

I give Van a carrot.

I give Van an apple.

Van washes up!

I give him water.

I clean his cage.

I play with him.

Van can do lots of things.

He can run up my arm.

He can run in a ball.

Van is a very good pet!

## Level 7

### Planting a Garden

We are planting a garden.

Will we plant a plum?

Will we plant a tree?

Will we plant a flower?

Wait and see.

We plant the seed.

We pat it flat.

Did we plant a plum?

Did we plant a tree?

Did we plant a flower?

Wait and see.

We water the plant.

The plant will grow. We are glad.

Oh, no!

## Level 7

### Playing Ball

One day, Andy and Dad took Bo outside to play ball.

They went to the park across the street.

Dad threw the ball.

"Go get the ball, Bo!" he said. "Go get it!"

But Bo did not get the ball.

He just sat on the grass.

Andy had to get the ball.

Then Andy said to Dad, "Let me try."

Andy threw the ball.

"Go get the ball, Bo," said Andy. "Go on! Go get it!"

Bo did not get the ball.

Dad said to Andy, "Bo is not going to get the ball, so you and I can play ball. You can be the hitter, Andy, and I'll be the pitcher."

Andy hit the ball. It went up, up, up and over the fence.

Dad and Andy ran to the fence and looked over it.

"I don't see the ball. Do you?" said Dad.

"No," said Andy. "Where did it go?"

"Here it is, Dad!" said Andy.

"Bo got the ball." Andy patted Bo.

"Good dog, Bo!" he said.

## Level 7

### **“POP” Pops the Popcorn**

Bob puts some popcorn in the pot. He puts in a little.

He puts in a lot.

“POP” pops the popcorn.

Stop, Bob, stop! The popcorn is popping over the top.

Get a box. Get a mop. The popcorn is popping over the top.

“POP” pops the popcorn. When will it stop?

We don't care. We like it a lot.

## Level 7

### Sally's Red Bucket

Sally played in the sand. She played with a red bucket.

"Hello, Sally! Come and play with me.

We can play with my ball," said Chris.

Sally ran to play with Chris.

"I will stay here and read my book," said Mom.

The waves came up the beach.

The waves came up to Sally's bucket, and they took it away.

Sally ran back to Mom. "Look!" she said. "Help!"

Come back, little red bucket!" she shouted.

Mom looked up.

Mom looked at the waves. "I can see your red bucket," she said.

"Come on!"

Mom ran to get the bucket. Sally went too. They ran into the waves.

Mom got Sally's bucket.

"Mom!" shouted Sally.

"Mom! Look at your book!"

They ran back.

"Oh, **no!**" said Mom.

## Level 7

### Sally's Spaceship

"I want to see the stars!" said Sally.

So Sally made a spaceship. Sally got a box.

Sally got some string. Sally worked a long time.

"You will need to eat," said Mom.

"I will take a snack," said Sally.

"You will need to sleep," said Mom.

"I will take a pillow," said Sally.

"You will need a friend," said Mom.

"I will take Spot," said Sally.

"I made a spaceship so I can see the stars!"

"Good-bye, Mom," said Sally.

So Sally saw the stars.

## Level 7

### Seagull is Clever

Seagull is a big bird. He is hungry.

He is looking for fish. Will Seagull get a fish?

No, not today. He will not get a fish today.

The waves are too big.

Where is Seagull going? He is going to get a shellfish.

Is Seagull eating the shellfish? No, he is not.

Up goes Seagull with the shellfish.

He goes up and up and up.

Down comes the shellfish!

Down, down, down, **down!**

Seagull comes down, too.

He looks at the shellfish.

Good! The shell is broken.

Seagull is eating the shellfish.

He is a **clever** bird.

## Level 7

### Three Little Pigs and One Big Pig

Once upon a time, there were three little pigs and one big pig.

The three little pigs liked to play.

But the big pig just liked to lie in the mud.

"Let's swim in this puddle!" said the little pigs.

"You go ahead," the big pig said.

"I'll just lie here in the mud."

"Let's push this ball!" said the little pigs.

"You go ahead," the big pig said.

"I'll just lie here in the mud."

"Let's dig, dig, dig!" said the little pigs.

"You go ahead," the big pig said.

"I'll just lie here in the mud."

"The wolf!" said the little pigs. "Let's run!"

"You go ahead," the big pig said.

"I'll just lie here in the mud."

And he did.

## Level 7

### The Trip

"Ho hum," said Giraffe. "Yes, ho hum," said Zebra.

"Let's take a trip," said Giraffe.

"Yes, let's take a trip," said Zebra.

Giraffe and Zebra ran across the grass.

Giraffe and Zebra ran across the rocks.

Giraffe and Zebra ran across the hills.

Giraffe and Zebra ran across the river.

Giraffe and Zebra ran across Lion's den.

"Yikes!" said Giraffe. "Yikes!" said Zebra.

**"ROAR!"** said Lion.

Giraffe and Zebra zoomed across the river.

Giraffe and Zebra zoomed across the hills.

Giraffe and Zebra zoomed across the rocks.

Giraffe and Zebra zoomed across the grass.

"I love it here," said Giraffe.

"Yes, I love it here, too!" said Zebra.

## Level 7

### Watch Me

"I'm good at riding a bike," Little Mouse said to Rabbit.

"Watch me!"

"O.K.," said Rabbit,

"But where is your helmet?"

"My helmet is at home," said Little Mouse,

"But I'm good at riding a bike. I can ride without my helmet today."

Little Mouse got on his bike.

"Watch me!" shouted little Mouse.

"I'm so good! Do you see me, Rabbit?"

CRASH!!

The next day...

Little mouse was fixing his bike.

His helmet was on the grass.

Rabbit came by.

"I see you have your helmet today," she said.

"Are you going to ride your bike? I will watch you."

"O.K.," said Little Mouse, and he went to get his helmet.

"Oh, no!" said Little Mouse.

"I can't get the helmet on my head. And I can't ride my bike without a helmet! But I can **fix** my bike without a helmet."

"I'm good at fixing my bike. Watch me!"

## Level 7

### Where is Hannah?

Hannah and Mom went to the gym.

"Oh! Look, Mom!" said Hannah.

"I can see a trampoline.

Look at the rope and the ladders.

"Come and look at me, Mom!

I can go up and down on the trampoline," said Hannah.

Hannah went up and down, up and down, up and down.

"Look at me! I'm on the rope," said Hannah.

"Come and look at me, Mom.

I can swing on the rope."

Mom went away to look at the notices.

Hannah looked at the ladder.

"I can go up ladders," said Hannah.

Hannah went up the ladder. She went up, and up, and up.

Mom looked for Hannah.

She looked at the rope.

She went to the trampoline.

"Hannah! **Hannah!** Where are you?" said Mom.

Hannah looked down at Mom.

"Here I am, Mom," shouted Hannah.

"I'm way up here."

## Level 7

### Zip Me Up

"I'm going out to play," said Little Fox, and he put on his jacket. "I can't zip it," he said.

Little Fox went up to Mother Fox. "Zip me up," he said. "No, Little Fox," said Mother Fox. "I will not zip you up."

Little Fox went up to Father Fox. "Zip me up," said Little Fox. Father Fox said "No, Little Fox. I will not."

Then Little Fox went up to Sister Fox. He said, "Zip me up." "No, I will not," said Sister Fox.

So Little Fox went up to Brother Fox. "Zip me up," said Little Fox to his brother. "No way!" said Brother Fox.

Little Fox said, "Mother Fox will not zip me up, and Father Fox will not zip me up. Sister Fox and Brother Fox will not zip me up. What is going on?"

Little Fox sat and sat and sat. "Oh, I see!" he said.

"Will you **please** zip me up?" said Little Fox. "Yes," said all the foxes. "Thank you," said Little Fox.

## Level 7

### The Zookeeper

Deb is a zookeeper. She takes care of the big cats at the zoo. The big cats are the lions and tigers.

The lions can go inside and outside. They are outside now. Deb is inside. She mops the cage.

The lions are hungry. They like to look for food. Deb gets food for the lions. She puts it in a box. Deb lets the lions inside.

The lions look for the food. They look in the grass. They look under a log. Then the lions see the box. They eat the food. The lions like to play after they eat. Deb gives them a ball to play with.

The lions are sleepy. They are going to take a nap. "Good-bye, lions!"

"Hello, tigers! Are you hungry?" Deb is going to take care of the tigers now.

## LEVEL 8 BOOKS

\*\* = Trade book, likely available in your school or public library, a typed copy is not provided.

(The) Apple Farm

\*\*Are You My Mother?

Ben's New Trick

(The) Best Cake

(The) Big Show

Birthday Balloons

Come On, Tim

Dinner by Five

(The) Duck with a Broken Wing

Eve Shops

Fire! Fire!

(The) Fox who Foxed

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(The) New Baby

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Sad Monster

Sally's Friends

(A) Sea Star

Shopping

Snowy Gets a Wash

Steve's Room

(The) Tale of Cowboy Roy

Tiny and the Big Wave

What Do We Have To Get?

When Bob Woke Up Late

## Level 8

### The Apple Farm

It's time to pick apples.

We pick red apples.

We pick yellow and green apples.

Everyone's picking apples.

We need all the apples. We need the red ones.

We need the yellow and green ones.

Everyone's picking apples.

We need all our apples to make apple pie.

We need all our apples to make applesauce.

Everyone's picking apples.

It's time to go.

Everyone's taking the apples home.

The apples are in boxes.

The apples are in baskets and bags.

The apples look good.

The apples smell good.

This apple is mine.

Yum! It tastes good.

## Level 8

### Ben's New Trick

"When is Grandma coming?" said Ben.

"After ten," said Mom.

Then Ben ran out with Jen. Jen got up in the tree.

"Can I come up, too?" said Ben.

"No, not yet," said Jen. "But you can when you get big." Ben ran back in.

Dad was under the sink. "Can I help you do that?" said Ben.

"No, not yet," said Dad. "But you can when you get big."

Then Ben ran to the den. Mom was painting in the den.

"Can I help you do that?" said Ben.

"No, not yet," said Mom. "But you can when you are big."

Then Ben heard Grandma. So he ran out.

"How is my big boy?" said Grandma.

"I'm okay," said Ben. "But Mom and Dad and Jen tell me I can't do things until I'm big."

"We can fix that," said Grandma.

"Grandma, Grandma," said Jen. "Do you have something for us?"

"Yes, I do," said Grandma. "I have a trick."

"The trick is to stand on one hand. Can you do it?"

"I bet I can!" said Jen. But when she did it, she fell.

"I bet I'm too little," said Ben. "I can't do it until I'm big."

"No, no," said Grandma. "You can do it. Watch me."

"Look!" said Ben. "I can stand on one hand!"

## Level 8

### The Best Cake

Ben liked making cakes. He helped Mom make a cake for the school fair. "It's a big cake," said Ben.

"Thanks for helping me, Ben," said Mom. "Here are some red cherries to go on the top."

They went to the school fair in the car, and they went inside with the cake. "Here you are," said Ben. "Here's a **big** cake."

"Thank you," said the girls.

Ben looked at the cakes. He looked at Mom's big cake with the red cherries, and he looked at the little brown cakes.

"Ben, please get a cake for us," said Mom. "I'm going to look at the books."

Ben looked at all the cakes again . . .

Ben and Mom went home in the car. Ben took care of the cake.

Ben opened the box. "Here you are, Mom," he said.

"Look! I got the **best** cake for you. I got the best cake at the fair."

"I'm hungry," said Ben.

"Let's have some," said Mom.

## Level 8

### The Big Show

First Rabbit got up on the stage. "I am going to sing," she said. LA-la-la! Rabbit was good. She was very, very good. "I can do that!" shouted Little Mouse. "Shh!" said his friends.

Then Owl went up. "I am going to play the horn," he said. Toot-toot-toot! Owl was good. He was very, very good. "I can do that!" shouted Little Mouse. "Shh!" said his friends.

Squirrel went next. "I am going to dance!" he said. Tap-tap-tap! Squirrel was good. He was very, very good. "I can do that!" shouted Little Mouse, and he got up on the stage.

"I can sing **and** dance **and** play the horn," said Little Mouse.

"First I am going to sing." Howl!

"Next I will play the horn." Honk!

"Now I am going to dance." Thud!

"Who is good?" said Little Mouse. He took a bow-a very, very **big** bow!

"We are **all** good!" smiled his friends.

## Level 8

### Birthday Balloons

"Happy birthday, Tom," said Poppa. "You are six now, and here are six balloons for you."

"Thanks, Poppa," said Tom. "I love balloons."

Baby Emma woke up. She cried and cried.

"Here is your present, Tom," said Nana.

"Go on, Tom," said Mom. "Open the box."

Tom opened the box. He saw three little cars and three little trucks.

"Oh, **thank** you," said Tom.

Emma went on crying.

Poppa and Tom had fun playing with the cars and trucks.

"Come on, Emma. Come to Nana," said Nana.

But Emma went on crying. "I can make her laugh," said Poppa, but Emma went on crying.

"Come here to me," said Mom, but Emma went on crying.

Tom looked up at Emma. "She is looking at my **balloons**," he said. "I will get one for her."

"Here you are, Emma," said Tom. "Here is a red balloon for you."

And Emma laughed!

"Thanks, Tom," said Mom. "Emma is lucky to have a big brother like you!" said Dad.

*Happy birthday to you, Happy birthday to you, Happy birthday dear Tom, Happy birthday to you.*

## Level 8

### Come On, Tim

Tim looked at the fort. He saw Michael and Anna playing on it.

They climbed up the ladder and came down the pole.

Tim went to the fort. He saw Michael and Anna climbing up.

Tim climbed up, too. He climbed up to the top of the fort.

Michael went down the pole. Then Anna went down.

She went down **fast**. "I will go down the pole, too," said Tim.

"I can do it."

Tim looked down. He saw the children playing and he saw Mrs. Hill.

He saw Michael and Anna coming up again. "Go on, Tim," said Michael. "Go down the pole."

"Go on, Tim," said Anna.

"You go first," said Tim.

Mrs. Hill went to the pole. She looked up at Tim. "Come on down," she said. "I will stay here by the pole."

"Come on, Tim!" said the children. "Come on! Come on!"

Mrs. Hill said, "I am here, Tim. You can do it."

Tim got on to the pole. He looked down at Mrs. Hill. "Here I come," said Tim, and he went slowly down

the

pole.

"I did it!" shouted Tim. "I went down the pole."

"You **did** it, Tim," said Michael.

## Level 8

### Dinner by Five

"I want to eat," said Mike. "I do, too," said Kim.

"Mom comes home at five," said Kim. "And she may be tired. Let's cook dinner!"

"What will we make?" said Mike.

"Mom likes pizza," said Kim. "She likes salad. Let's make pizza and salad!"

"Great!" said Mike. "But can we fix all that by five?"

"Sure!" said Kim. "Watch me now!"

"A little bit of this. A little bit of that. Mix it up. Fix it up. How about that?"

"I like that," said Mike. "Now you watch me. A little bit of this. A little bit of that. Mix it up. Fix it up. How about that?"

"Dad, we did it!" said Mike.

"Now we have to cook the pizza," said Kim.

"Good," said Dad. "I'll help you do that."

"Mom will like this nice dinner," said Dad. "But she won't like the mess. So we have to fix it."

"Wipe a bit of this. Wipe a bit of that. Mix it up. Fix it up. How about that?"

Mom came in and smiled. "Hi, kids!" she said. "Oh, how nice! Pizza and salad for dinner."

Mike and Kim and Dad smiled, too.

"And we made the dinner!" said Mike.

"I love this dinner," said Mom. "And best of all -- there's no mess!"

## Level 8

### The Duck With a Broken Wing

Mother Duck is sitting inside a tree. She is sitting on her eggs.

This shell is broken. A little duckling is coming out.

Mother Duck looks at all her eggs. **Ten** little ducklings are coming out!

Mother Duck jumps down from the tree. The ten little ducklings jump down, too. They are going with Mother Duck. They are all hungry.

Father Duck helps Mother Duck to look after the ten little ducklings.

He stays at the back. They are all going down to the water.

On the way down to the water Father Duck sees a dog.

#### **Dogs eat ducklings!**

Father duck plays a trick on the dog. He makes his wing go down. It looks broken. The dog runs after Father Duck.

But Father Duck's wing is **not** broken. He can fly.

He can get away. Mother Duck and her ten babies go on walking down to the water. They are safe.

And Father Duck comes flying down to the water, too.

Clever Father Duck!

## Level 8

### Eve Shops

Eve and Ken and Mom went to the store.

"We have a lot to get," said Mom. "You can help me."

She handed Ken a list. "You can get these things. "I'll get the rest."

Eve and Ken went up one row and down the next. They looked for things Mom wanted.

"These are the ones to get," said Ken.

"I want to help, too," said Eve.

"You can put them in the cart," said Ken. So she did.

They found the next things on the list.

"You can put these in the cart," said Ken. So she did.

"Now we will get these," said Ken.

"Put them in the cart, too." So she did.

They met Mom at the checkout line.

"Did you get everything?" asked Mom.

"We're all set," said Ken.

"Where are the rest of the things?" asked Mom.

"Here they are!"

## Level 8

### Fire! Fire!

"Fire! Fire!" shouted all the Browns.

Fire! Fire! Fire! Fire! Help!  
Fire! Fire! Help! Fire! Fire!

I'm coming! I'm coming down to help you.

Get in! Get in! Come inside the helicopter. Come with me!

The Browns got into the helicopter.

Kit got out and ran away.

Oh, no! Come back, Kit.  
Up we go. Meow.

Up went the helicopter. It landed, and all the Browns got out.

I'm going back to the fire.  
And back to Kit. Thank you.

The helicopter went back to the fire with a big bucket of water.

Down went the water.

The helicopter came back again and again and again.

The fire went out.

Hello, Mr. Brown. The fire is out. Your home is safe.

I'm coming to get you all.

The Browns went home in the helicopter.

Thank you.  
Thank you.

They looked and looked for Kit.

Kit, where are you? Kit, Kit,  
Kit! Woof!

Look down here! Here she is.  
Kit is safe after all. Good!

## Level 8

### The Fox who Foxed

Mr. and Mrs. Fox had five little foxes. One day Mrs. Fox said, "I am so hungry, but I have to stay at home with my babies."

"I will get you a rabbit to eat," said Mr. Fox.

Mr. Fox said, "I can't see any rabbits. I'll see if I can find a fat little hen." He went down the hill to the farm.

He jumped at the door of the henhouse, and the door flew open.

Mr. Fox ran in.  "Kkkkkk" went the hens.

"A fox is in my henhouse!" shouted the farmer.

He ran into the henhouse with a stick. He shut the door.

The farmer hit Mr. Fox, and Mr. Fox fell down.

"Good, I **got** him. He's dead," said the farmer.

Was Mr. Fox dead? No, he was not. He was foxing!

The farmer opened the henhouse door.

Mr. Fox jumped up and ran away with a hen!

"Oh, no!" shouted the farmer. "**Stop!** Come back!"

Mr. Fox did **not** come back!

He ran home to Mrs. Fox and the five little foxes.

"Here you are," he said. "Here's a hen for your dinner."

"A hen!" said Mrs. Fox. "Did the farmer see you?"

"Yes, he did," smiled Mr. Fox, "but I **foxed** him."

## Level 8

### Humpback Whales

What is that? It's the tail of a whale.

What kind of whale is it?

It's a humpback whale.

Where do humpback whales live?

They live in the ocean.

Where do humpback whales swim?

They swim a long, long way.

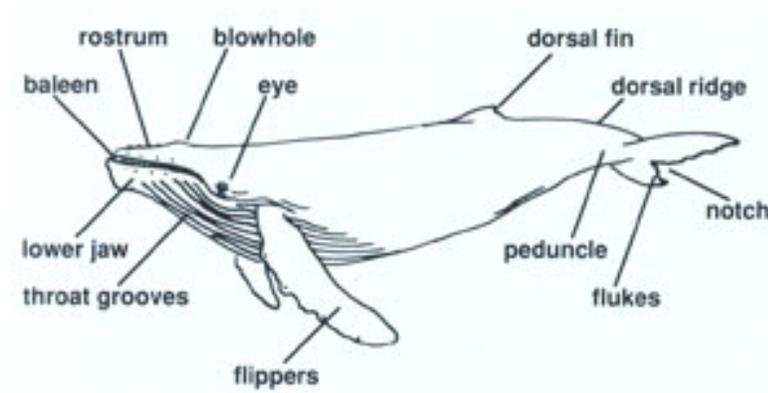
What do humpback whales eat?

They eat ocean animals called krill.

And they eat small fish.

Who likes to watch humpback whales?

**WE DO!**



## Level 8

### Jim's Visit to Kim

Jim lived in a house in the hills.

Sometimes he missed his friend Kim. He hoped to visit Kim someday.

Kim lived in a house near the beach.

Sometimes she missed her friend Jim. She hoped to visit Jim someday.

One day, Jim went to visit Kim.

First Jim put on his new white shirt.

Then Jim packed for his trip. He took his swim trunks.

"Kim and I will swim," he said. "We will swim and dive."

Jim took his fishing pole.

"Kim and I will fish," he said. "We will sit and fish."

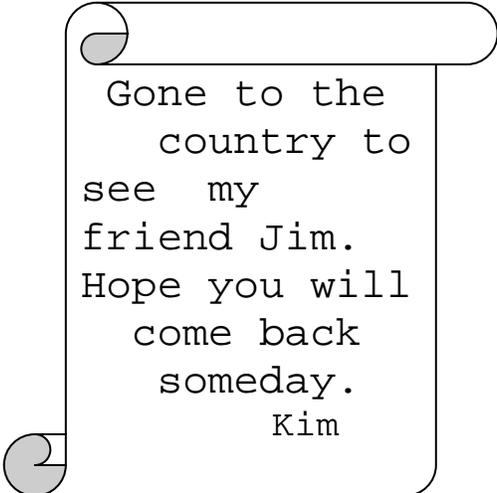
Jim took his boots.

"Kim and I will hike," he said. "We will walk and hike."

Jim got on his bike.

"Kim and I will swim and dive! Kim and I will sit and fish! Kim and I will walk and hike!"

But when Jim got to Kim's house, this is what he saw.



Gone to the  
country to  
see my  
friend Jim.  
Hope you will  
come back  
someday.  
Kim

*Toot-toot.*

Tim woke up and looked out of the window. "Oh, **no!**" he shouted. "It's **soccer** today! Michael's dad is here **now!**"

Tim opened the window. "I'm coming! I'm coming!" he shouted to Michael.

"Mom, Mom! Wake up! Help me! I'm **late for soccer**. Where are my soccer shorts?" he asked.

Mom jumped out of bed and ran to help Tim.

"Where is my soccer jersey?" asked Tim.

"Here it is," said Mom.

"I can't find my socks!" said Tim.

"Here they are," said Mom.

"My **shoes!**" said Tim. "Please help me tie my shoes, Mom."

Michael came to the door. "Where is the ball, Tim?" he said.

"You took care of the ball this week."

"Oh, **no!**" said Tim.

"Where is the ball? I can't find it. Help!"

*Toot-toot. **Toot-toot.***

"Here's a banana," said Mom. "Eat it in the car," she said.

Then Mom and Tim saw the ball "It's by the **door,**" they shouted.

"Thanks, Mom," said Tim, and he ran out with Michael.

"We **got** here," said Tim.

"Thanks to my dad," said Michael.

"And my mom!" said Tim.

## Level 8

### Little Bulldozer

This is Little Bulldozer.

Little Bulldozer went to look at a fire engine. "Hello, Fire Engine," said Little Bulldozer. "I like helping. I will help you."

"Go away. Go away," said the fire engine. "I'm going to a fire. You are too little to help at a fire. Go away."

Little Bulldozer went away. He went to look at a big truck.

"Hello, Big Truck," he said. "I like helping. I will help you."

"Go away, Little Bulldozer," said the big truck.

"You are too little to help me. Go away and play."

Little Bulldozer went away. He cried and cried.

"I'm too little," he said.

"Hello, Little Bulldozer," said a big bulldozer.

"Come and help me with this tree."

"I'm too little to help you," said Little Bulldozer.

"Come on. You are not too little," said the big bulldozer.

Little Bulldozer went to help. He helped and helped.

"Thank you," said the big bulldozer.

"I'm not too little, am I" said Little Bulldozer.

"I'm **not** too little to help.

## Level 8

### Little Bulldozer Helps Again

"Hello, Little Bulldozer," said Big Bulldozer. "I'm going down to the river to make a road."

"Can I help?" said Little Bulldozer.

"No, not today," said Big Bulldozer.

Day after day, Big Truck came to help Big Bulldozer make the road.

"Can I help, too?" said Little Bulldozer.

"No, not today," said Big Truck.

One day Big Truck shouted, "I'm sinking down in the mud! Help! Help! I'm stuck in the mud, down here at the river. I can't get out!"

Big Bulldozer said, "I will come and get you out."

He looked down at the mud. "No!" he said. "I can't! I'm too big and heavy. I will get stuck in the mud, too."

Little Bulldozer said, "I can help. I'm not big and heavy."

Big Bulldozer said, "Yes, you are **little**! Here you are. Here's a rope. You will not sink down into the mud like me."

Little Bulldozer went all the way down to Big Truck with the rope. He tied the rope on.

Big Bulldozer went back up the road with the rope. V-room.

And Big Truck came up out of the mud!

You helped us a lot today. Thank you, Little Bulldozer.

## Level 8

### Mushrooms for Dinner

Father Bear came home and said, "Look! **No** mushrooms! I did not find one! I'm going fishing."

"I'm good at finding mushrooms," said Baby Bear. "I will go and get some."

Baby Bear went uphill and downhill looking for mushrooms. He went on and on. "Where are the mushrooms?" he said. "Where are they?" "I can't see **one** mushroom," said Baby Bear.

He said to the rabbit, "Will you help me find some mushrooms?" But the rabbit ran away.

"I will have to find the mushrooms by **myself**," said Baby Bear. "I will climb up this tree to have a look."

Baby Bear climbed the tree. "I can see some!" he said. "I can see a ring of mushrooms. Good. I will go and get some."

Baby Bear ran to get the big white mushrooms.

He went home with the basket of mushrooms.

"Here you are," he said. "Look!"

"Thank you, Baby Bear," said Mother Bear. "They are **beautiful** mushrooms. "You are a clever little bear."

And the three bears all had fish and **mushrooms** for dinner.

## Level 8

### The Naughty Ann

The *Naughty Ann* was painted blue,

The *Naughty Ann* was clean and new.

The fishing boat (the *Jolly Jean*) was not so new and not so clean.

"Go away. You smell of fish. Go away!" said the *Naughty Ann*.

"No," said the *Jolly Jean*. "I'm staying here."

But you smell of fish," said the *Naughty Ann*. "I will not stay here with you."

"I'm going out to sea," said the *Naughty Ann*, and away she went.

Out at sea the wind came up, and the waves got bigger and bigger.

"Help!" said the *Naughty Ann*. "A big green wave is coming!"

"Help! Help!" shouted the *Naughty Ann*. "Who will help me?"

Mayday! Mayday!

I'm **upside down!**"

"I'm coming," said the *Jolly Jean*.

"I'm up again," said the *Naughty Ann*. "But look at me! I'm broken!

Help! **Mayday!**"

"Here's a rope," said the *Jolly Jean*.



Mayday

"You **saved** me!" said the *Naughty Ann*. "Thanks. I **like** the smell of fish, now."

## Level 8

### The New Baby

Tom came home after school.

"Hello, Grandpa," he said.

"Where is Mom? Where is Grandma?"

"Mom is at the hospital," said Grandpa.

"The baby is coming. Dad is with Mom.

Grandma is with Mom, too. I am staying here with you.

"I am cooking fish," said Grandpa.

"I'll help you," said Tom. "I like cooking."

Tom went to bed. He went to sleep. Grandpa went to sleep too.

*Ring, ring,* went the phone.

Grandpa woke up. Tom woke up.

"Hello, hello," said Grandpa.

Grandpa shouted, "A girl! The baby is a girl!

Baby Emma is here." Tom shouted, "A girl! A girl!"

Grandpa and Tom went to the hospital to see Mom and Emma.

"I'm going to help you. I'll take care of Emma, too," said Tom.

"I like little babies," said Tom.

## Level 8

### Night and Day

Once long ago, the sun was everywhere.

"I need to sleep," said the sun.

"Stay up," said the flowers. "We grow in the sun."

"Stay up," said the animals. "We run in the sun."

"Stay up," said the children. "We have fun in the sun."

"I need to take a nap," said the sun.

And that is what the sun did.

"Where is the sun?" said the flowers. "We can't grow."

"Where is the sun?" said the animals. "We can't run."

"Where is the sun?" said the children. "We can't have fun."

"Get up, sun," they said. "Get up!"

"I must sleep now," said the sun. "Go away."

"I'll be back tomorrow."

## Level 8

### Not It!

Andy, Carlos, and Hiro went into the park. They sat down on a bench. "Let's play tag," said Carlos. "Not it!" shouted Andy. "Not it!" shouted Hiro.

"O.K.," said Carlos. "I'm it." Andy and Hiro jumped from the bench and ran away from Carlos.

"I'm coming to get you!" shouted Carlos.

Carlos chased Andy around the fish pond. "You can't catch me!" yelled Andy. Andy ran fast, but Carlos ran faster, and he tagged Andy. "You're it!" shouted Carlos.

Then Andy chased after Hiro. Hiro went in back of the trees. "You can't catch me!" he yelled. Hiro ran fast, but Andy ran faster, and he tagged Hiro. "You're it!" shouted Andy.

Hiro went to tag Andy and Carlos. "I'll catch you!" Hiro yelled. Carlos and Andy ran away from him. They ran very fast.

Carlos ran so fast that he slipped and fell in the mud. Oh, NO!! Andy slipped and fell on Carlos.

Look out!! Hiro slipped and fell on Carlos and Andy. The muddy boys laughed and laughed.

## Level 8

### Pick Up Nick!

Nick is my little brother. He really likes to cry!

So I said to Mom, "Can you pick up Nick for a little while?"

Maybe you can get him to stop."

"Sure," Mom said. "I'd like to try!"

But my mom had no luck. So she said to Dad, "Can you take Nick for a little while? Maybe you can get him to stop."

"Sure," Dad said. "I will try, too!"

But my dad had no luck. So he said to Grandma, "Can you take Nick for a little while? Maybe you can get him to stop."

"Sure," Grandma said. "I will see if I can!"

But my grandma had no luck. So she said to Grandpa,

"Can you rock Nick for a little while? Maybe you can get him to stop."

"Sure," Grandpa said. "Now I can try!"

But my grandpa had no luck. So he said to me, "Can you play with Nick for a little while?" Maybe you can get him to stop."

"Sure," I said. "I will pick him up. It's my turn to try!"

"Try not to cry, little Nick," I said. "It's okay."

Mom, Dad, Grandma, and Grandpa all came into the room.

"You DID it!" they said. "You got him to stop!"

"And look," I said. "I even got him to smile!"

## Level 8

### Sad Monster

Monster was sad. "I have no one to play with," He said. "I will look for a friend."

Monster saw a big boy playing on the slide. "Will you play with me?" asked Monster. "Oh, help! A monster!" shouted the boy. And he ran away.

Monster saw a big girl playing on the swings. "Will you play with me?" asked Monster. "Help me!" shouted the girl. "It's a monster!" And she ran away, too. "Who will play with me?" said Monster. "Who will be my friend?"

Then Monster saw a little boy playing in the sandbox. "Will he run away from me, too?" Monster said to himself. Monster went over to the little boy.

"Will you play with me?" asked Monster.

"Yes," said the boy. "I will play with you."

They played in the sandbox. They played on the slide.

They played on the swings. "That looks fun!" said the big boy and the big girl. "Can we play, too?"

## Level 8

### Sally's Friends

Sally went to play with Emma. "Can I climb up?" she said.

"No, you can't," said Emma. "Go away, Sally."

Sally looked at Rebecca. "I'm going to play in the sandbox," she said.

"Will you come with me?"

"Yes," said Rebecca. "I like making roads for cars."

"Let's make tunnels," said Sally.

"Yes," said Rebecca. "It's fun making tunnels."

Sally made the cars go down the road to the tunnel. She made the cars go into the tunnel, and Rebecca helped the cars come out.

Emma came to the sandbox. She looked at Sally and Rebecca having fun. "Can I play?" she said. "Please let me play with you. I like your tunnel." Rebecca looked at Sally.

"Yes," said Sally. "Come on, Emma. You can play, too."

## Level 8

### A Sea Star

This is a sea star. It was born in the sea.

It was found at the shore.

This sea star has five arms. Some sea stars have more.

A sea star has many tube feet.

It can't go very far.

But it can hold onto a rock in a storm..

It is hard to open a clam shell. But a sea star can open a clam shell.

It eats the clam. This part is its mouth.

Come see sea stars any time.

## Level 8

### Shopping

Little Mouse went shopping with Mother Mouse. They went into the store to get some food. "Can I get in the cart?" said Little Mouse. "Yes," said Mother Mouse.

"Where are the bananas?" said Mother Mouse. Mother Mouse looked for the bananas. "Here they are," she said. She put some bananas into the cart.

"I like bananas," said Little Mouse to himself. "I will eat a banana."

"Where re the grapes?" said Mother Mouse. Mother Mouse looked for the grapes. "Oh, here they are," she said. She put some grapes into the cart.

"I like grapes," Little Mouse said to himself. "I will eat some."

"Let me see," said Mother Mouse. "Where are the nuts?" Mother Mouse looked for the nuts. "Here they are," she said, and she put some nuts into the cart.

"Little Mouse said to himself, "I like nuts. I will eat some."

Mother Mouse looked in the cart. "Where are the bananas and the grapes and the nuts?" she said. "Inside my tummy!" said Little Mouse.

## Level 8

### Snowy Gets a Wash

Nick liked playing in the garden with her white teddy bear.

She liked swinging on the swing. She liked playing in the sandbox.

Snowy went for rides on Nick's truck.

Snowy went up in the tree with Nick.

Snowy went down the slide with Nick, again and again.

Mom came out, with the wash in a basket.

She looked at Snowy. "Your teddy bear is not **white**," she said

"He is **gray**."

Mom and Nick looked at Snowy. "Can you read this, Nick?" said

Mom. Wash me in cold water.

Nick said to Snowy, "Mom is going to **wash** you!"

Mom went inside, and came back with a bucket. "Come and help me, Nick," she said. "Here we go. Look! The water is gray.

"Snowy is all wet," said Nick. "Oh, Snowy!"

"Snowy is white again," said Mom. "He can sit up here and get dry in the sun." Nick looked up at her teddy.

She said, "I'm not going inside."

"We can eat here," said Mom.

Nick stayed in the garden with Snowy. And Snowy got dry in the sun.

## Level 8

### Steve's Room

"Steve," said Dad. "Look at this mess!"

"But Dad," said Steve, "I want all these things."

"And I want you to get rid of the mess," said Dad.

Steve picked up the shells from his desk. He went to Dad.

"Can these shells stay?" said Steve.

"Okay," said Dad. "As long as they don't make a mess."

Steve picked up the bird's nest from the shelf. He went to Dad.

"Can these bird's nests stay?" said Steve.

"Okay," said Dad. "As long as they don't make a mess."

Steve picked up the jet from the toy chest. He went to Dad.

"Can these jets stay?" said Steve.

"Okay," said Dad. "As long as they don't make a mess."

Steve picked up the butterfly nets. He went to Dad. "Can I have these butterfly nets?" said Steve.

"Okay," said Dad. "As long as they don't make a mess."

"Dad, come look at me room now," said Steve.

"Did you get rid of all the mess?" said Dad

"I sure did!" said Steve.

## Level 8

### The Tale of Cowboy Roy

This is the tale of Cowboy Roy. It's about a rattlesnake, too.

Cowboy Roy was the best cowboy in the West.

He could ride as fast as the wind.

He could rope a hundred cows.

He could let out a shout you could hear for miles.

One day Roy went for a ride. He heard a noise. H-I-s-s-s.

He saw a snake in a coil. "That snake doesn't scare me," said Roy.

"I can ride as fast as the wind. I can rope a hundred cows at a time.

I can let out a shout you can hear for miles."

Then he heard another noise. Rattle . . . rattle . . . rattle.

He spun around. He ran as fast as the wind. He let go of the rope.

He let out a shout you could hear for miles.

From that day on, Roy said "I can ride as fast as the wind.

I can rope a hundred cows at a time.

I can let out a shout you can hear for miles."

And from that day on, the rattlesnake said, "I can scare the best cowboy in the West."

## Level 8

### Tiny and the Big Wave

Mom and Dad and Matt went for a walk with Tiny.

Tiny ran all the way down to the beach.

"Tiny!" shouted Matt. "Come back! Here is your leash."

Tiny ran after the seagulls. "Woof!" she said. "Woof!"

Away went the seagulls.

Tiny ran up and down. She ran into the water after the seagulls.

"Tiny!" shouted Dad. "Come back here!"

A big wave came up on the beach. "Oh, **no!**" cried Matt. "Where is Tiny?"

Dad ran into the waves to look for Tiny. "Stay here with me, Matt," said Mom. Matt looked at the big waves, and he cried.

"I can see Tiny!" shouted Dad. He went out to get her.

"Here she is, Matt," he said. "Tiny is safe."

"I'm all wet," said Dad. "I'm going home."

"And I'm wet, too," said Matt. "Come on," said Mom. "Here is Tiny's leash."

Tiny walked home with her leash **on**. "Good dog, Tiny," said Matt.

## Level 8

### What Do We Have to Get?

Mom said, "Get ten yams, a can of ham, and red jam."

Jan and Ed went to the store.

They went to get ten yams, a can of ham, and red jam.

They met Nan.

They met Dan.

They met Ted and stopped to pet his cat.

They got to the store.

"What do we have to get?" asked Jan. "What do we have to get?" asked Ed.

"Ten hams," said Jan. "Are you sure?" "Yes."

"A can of pop," said Ed. "Are you sure?" "Yes."

"And red candy," said Jan and Ed.

Mom saw the ten hams, the can of pop, and the red candy.

Jan and Ed went back to the store...

with a list.

10 yams Can of ham Red jam
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## Level 8

## When Bob Woke Up Late

The clock broke. That is why Bob woke up late.

"Oh, no," Mom said. "You're late for school."

"Please write me a note," said Bob.

Mom wrote a note.

The clock  
broke. That is  
why Bob is  
late.

The cat spilled milk on the note. So Mom wrote a new note.

The clock  
broke. The cat  
spilled milk on  
the note. That  
is why Bob is  
late.

Bob left with the new note. Bob tripped on a hose. He dropped the note. He went back home to get a new note.

The clock  
broke. The cat  
spilled milk  
on the note.  
Bob tripped on  
a hose. I  
wrote a new  
note. That is  
why Bob is

When Bob got to school his teacher said, "I hope you have a note."

"Oh, no!" said Bob. "I forgot my note!"