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Lost

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Story Introduction

Kay West lives at 24 Clayton Villas. One day she found a grey mouse hiding under her fridge. She tried to pick it up and put it outside, but it ran between her feet and disappeared under the sofa.

"I'll get a cat," she decided, "to keep the mouse away."

Kay went to the pet shop. There were big cats, small cats, and cats of all different colours. She spotted a playful plump black cat purring in the corner of the room.

"What's that one called?" she asked the lady in the pet shop.

"Catkin," she told her.

Catkin was just right. As soon as Kay brought Catkin home, the mouse went away.

Kay and Catkin grew very fond of each other. Wherever Kay went, Catkin went too. If Kay was in the garden, Catkin followed. If Kay was in the kitchen, Catkin sat there too. When Kay was reading, Catkin would play with a bit of string at her feet. In the evenings they cuddled together on the sofa and watched TV. Kay fed Catkin healthy food, but soon Catkin grew even plumper.

Then, one afternoon, Kay came home and found the house empty.

"Where's Catkin?" she wondered.

TTYP: Where do you think Catkin could be?

Speed sounds

Consonants *Say the pure sounds (do not add 'uh').*

f ff	l ll le	m mm	n nn kn	r rr	s ss	v ve	z zz	sh	th	ng nk		
b bb	c k ck	d dd	g gg	h	j	p pp	qu	t tt	w wh	x	y	ch tch

Vowels *Say the sounds in and out of order.*

at	hen head	in	on	up	day	see happy	high find	blow no
zoo	look	car	for door snore	fair	whirl	shout	boy spoil	

Each box contains one sound but sometimes more than one grapheme. Focus graphemes are circled.

Green words

Read in Fred Talk (pure sounds).

think thank good plump string

way lay say day may hay stray stay Kay Jay Ray

Read in syllables.

Cat` kin → Catkin

happ` y → happy

a` way → away

Sun` day → Sunday

hol` i` day → holiday

con` tact → contact

kitt` en → kitten

Ma` lay` a → Malaya

ve` ry → very

Read the root word first and then with the ending.

look → looking

sit → sitting

have → having

pray → praying

play → played → playful

Red words

my they call all are your you her what
be do she to brother of

Challenge word

grey

Lost

Introduction

Have you got a cat? Has it ever got lost?

Poor Kay West, in this story, has lost her cat.

Ray finds her cat in his shed with...a surprise for Kay.

The surprise means that Ray and Kay become friends.

What do you think the surprise could be?



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Lost last Sunday:

Very plump, playful black cat called Catkin.

Will you check your sheds?

*If you find her, contact Kay West
at 24 Clayton Villas.*

Thank you so much for looking.

Kay West



3rd May

To Kay West

I've got a stray cat in my shed.

I think it may be Catkin!

She's sitting in a box of hay,
and she looks as if she
wants to stay in it!



I will be in at six o'clock today if you want to visit.

From Ray Brooks (33 Hilltop Way)

4th May

To Ray Brooks

Hooray! Today is such a happy day! Thank you so much for finding my Catkin! It's what I was praying for!

But it was a bit of a shock to find the kittens in the box of hay with her - a black kitten and a grey kitten!

Still, I think she will be a very good mum.

By the way, I am glad to say they are all well.

From Kay West

PS I am going on holiday on Sunday to Malaya!



5th May

To Kay

I am glad Catkin and the kittens are well.

I am very fond of them.



When you go away on holiday,
will you let them all stay with me
at Hilltop Way?

From Ray

To Ray

10th May

I am having a very good
holiday in Malaya.

Are Catkin and the kittens
being good?

Do give them all a big kiss
from me!

From Kay



Mr Ray Brooks

33 Hilltop Way

Grays

Essex

20th May

To Kay

It's good to have you back!

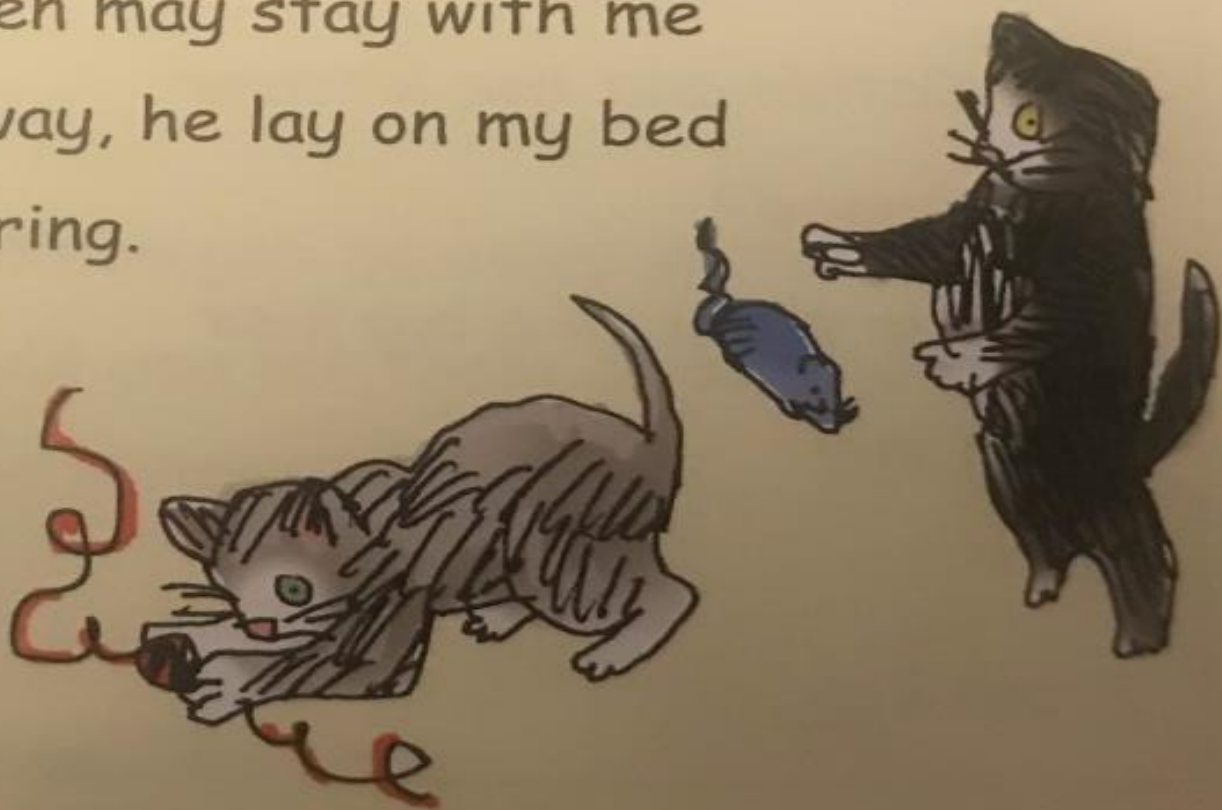
I want to ask you if the grey kitten may stay with me at Hilltop Way. When you were away, he lay on my bed all day and played with a bit of string.

I think he wants to stay.

What do you say?

From Ray

PS I have called him Jay!



21st May

To Ray

*Yes, the kitten may stay with you!
I'm glad you have called him Jay.
When you go on holiday
he must stay in Clayton Villas
with me, Catkin
and his brother, Ray.
(Yes, I have called my kitten Ray!)*

From Kay



Questions to read and answer

(Children complete without your help.)

1. Where was Catkin sitting?
Catkin was sitting in a **box of hay / a red bag / a big cup.**
2. Where did Kay go?
Kay went to **stay with her mum / on holiday / to the shops.**
3. Where did Catkin and the kittens stay when Kay was away?
They stayed with **gran / dad / Ray.**
4. What did the grey kitten play with?
The grey kitten played with **a frog / a teddy / a bit of string.**
5. What are the kittens called?
The kittens are called **Tom and Fred / Jay and Ray / Pat and Sid.**

Speed words

Children practise reading the words across the rows, down the columns and in and out of order clearly and quickly.

them	much	happy	kitten	having
looking	say	day	today	holiday
stay	away	they	are	my
called	me	being	going	she's

Friday task: Write about the new Kitten

Pretend you found a kitten, where did you find it?, what does it look like? How do you look after a kitten? What is the worst/ best thing about having a kitten?

Remember to say your sentence aloud before writing it down.