



Do we have to keep it?

Set 5 Story 7

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Speed sounds

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

f	1 11	m	n	n nn kn	r	S SS	ve	Z	S	h	†	h	ng nk
b bb	c k ck	d dd	9	h	j	p pp	qu	† ††	v h	×			ch tch

Vowels Say the sounds in and out of order.

at	hen	in	on	up	da	y	see happy	high	blow
200	look	car	fo doc sno	or	fair	3	whirl	shout	spoil

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

Green words

Read in Fred Talk (pure sounds). lunch look door may keep street meet see been bleep sheep green three need knee sheet Read in syllables. in' sect tedd'y teddy insect sec ond fif' teen fifteen second -sett'ee settee six teen sixteen a'sleep asleep -> yipp ee yipp ee -Read the root word first and then with the ending. feeling feel dishes dish feeding feed wheels wheel

Red words

want all my one we to do you I'm I've

Challenge words

almost baby both every sister wash pretend guess

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Introduction

Do you have any brothers or sisters?

How do you feel about them? Dan Reed has a new baby in his family and he's not sure how he feels about it. The baby needs lots of attention from everybody, needs feeding all the time and even wees on his trousers!

He says he doesn't like the baby but do you think he really means that?



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I'm Dan Reed.

I'm almost ten, and I live at fifteen, Fleetwood Street.

And I've got ... a baby!

Well, Mum and Dad have.

And I'm not feeling very happy.

I did tell Mum that I wanted a stick insect,
but no, she went and got a baby.

And no, it cannot go back to the shop!



This baby! It looks very funny.
You want to see it!

Mum sits on the settee,
and sticks the baby on her knee.
It digs its heels into her legs,
and then it kicks with both feet
and twists its body.
It's not a baby at all - it's an eel!



Then the baby needs feeding.

It seems to need feeding every three seconds, it's so greedy.

Bits of mashed up beef and carrot, yuk, and milk, milk, milk.

Oh, yes, and it's got this silly bib with a green sheep on it!



Then Mum dumps the baby on my knee, so she can wash up the lunch dishes.

The next thing is, it's sick on the sheep bib, or it wees on my best combats!

I ask Mum, do we have to keep it?



My sister Sheena (she's sixteen) is just a creep. She gives the baby a big sloppy kiss, then mops it up with a flannel, and puts it in its buggy.

We set off along Fleetwood Street.

Sheena wheels the buggy, and I pretend

I'm not with them.

If we meet Val from next door, she greets us with,
"Oh! He's just sooooo sweet!"
No one tells me I'm sweet.
(Not that I want them to.)



When we get back, it's six o'clock and

the baby has to go to bed. Mum sticks it

in its cot - and sings to it!

It's got a pink teddy

that bleeps if you press its tummy.

When it's asleep, at last, we have a bit of a rest from it.

Then it's "Eeeeeeeee! Wheeeeeee!"

and guess what - it's been sick on the sheets.





Yippee! I'm going out for a meal with Dad today.

Just him and me. No baby ...

But I may get the baby a new toy, or a silly hat.

I've got a funny feeling that I'll miss him, just a teeny-weeny bit.

Questions to read and answer

(Children complete without your help.)

- What number is Dan's house in Fleetwood Street?
 Dan Reed lives at number ten / six / fifteen Fleetwood Street.
- What sort of pet did Dan want?
 Dan wanted a puppy / a kitten / a stick insect.
- What food did the baby like?
 The baby liked ham and eggs / mashed up beef and carrots / bread and jam.
- 4. What animal is on the baby's bib?

 The baby has a bib with a green sheep / a pink pig / a red hen on it.
- 5. Who does Dan go out for a meal with?

 Dan goes out with the baby / his dad / his sister.

Speed words

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

sings	dishes	today	body	tummy
stick	green	need	three	feeling
sheets	sixteen	do	we	I've
sheep	were	wanted	creep	into

Thursday Task: Vocabulary

Read the words below:

Sad small hard last on sensible worst old Write the word that means the opposite of each word below:

- Soft -?
- Happy -?
- First -?
- Big-?
- New -?
- Best-?
- Silly-?
- Off-?