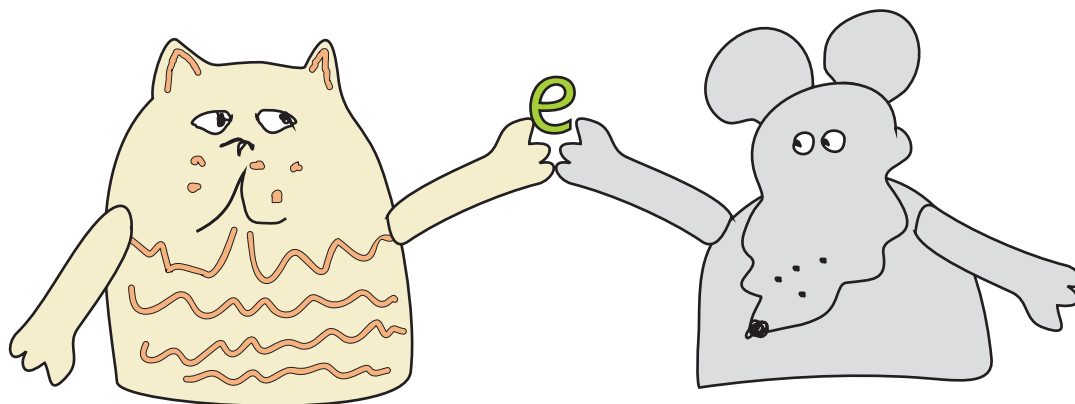


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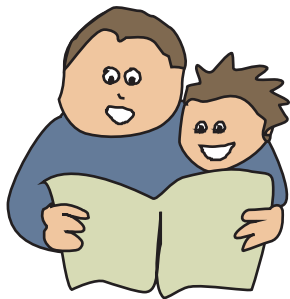
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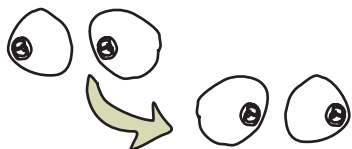
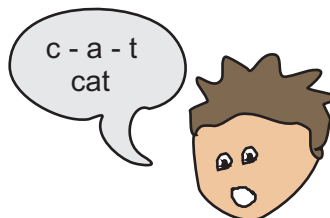
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Quick Start Guide



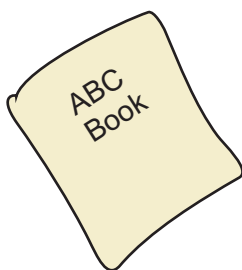
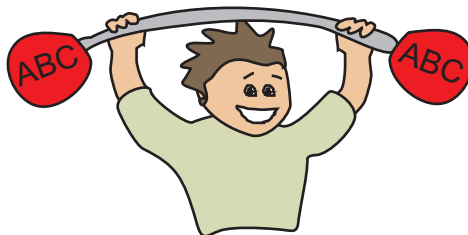
Read the book **WITH** your child. You read the “regular” text, and he/she reads the big, red words, sort of like reading the different parts in a play.

Help your child sound out the words as needed.



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

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



If your child is having difficulty, he/she might need more practice with the alphabet. Get a fun book about the alphabet and read that lots of times. Then come back to Progressive Phonics.

And most important of all, **HAVE FUN!**

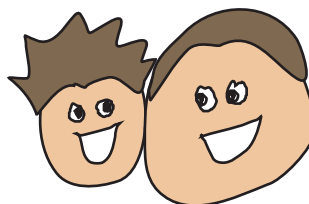


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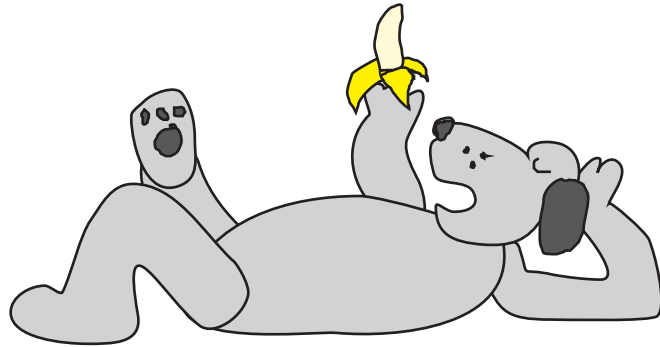
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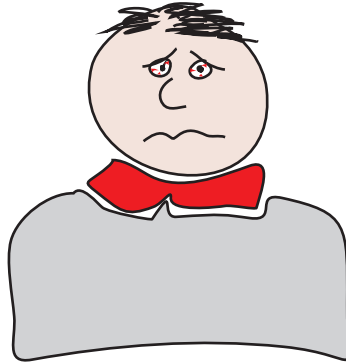
If I **fed** my dog bananas,
and I **fed** him peanuts too,
would he turn into a monkey,
and would they take him to the zoo?

But if I **fed** my dog some pizza,
and I **fed** him candy too,
would he turn into a kid,
and would he be like me and you?



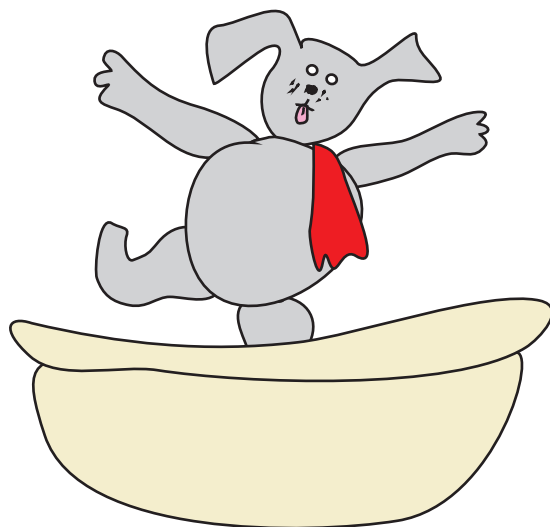
My brother, **Ted**,
has a big, **red, bed**,
but he never goes to sleep.

He just lies in **bed**,
his face all **red**,
counting lots of sheep.



My cousin, **Zed**, is soon to **wed**,
and he wants me, his cousin **Ed**,
to sing about his wedding ring.

But I can't sing, my throat is **red**,
my eyes are **red**, and I feel half-dead –
I cough, I sneeze, I'm hot, I freeze...
I think I'll go to **bed**.



My dog has one **leg** in the water;
the other **leg** is dry.

He takes a bath one **leg** at a time –
I really don't know why.



If I was a pirate,
my **leg** would be a **peg**,
and the only thing I would ever drink
is water from a wooden **keg**.

I would call my parrot Polly.
Her **leg** would be a **peg**.
We would both sing pirate songs
as we stand beside the **keg**.



My dog can **beg** for dinner.

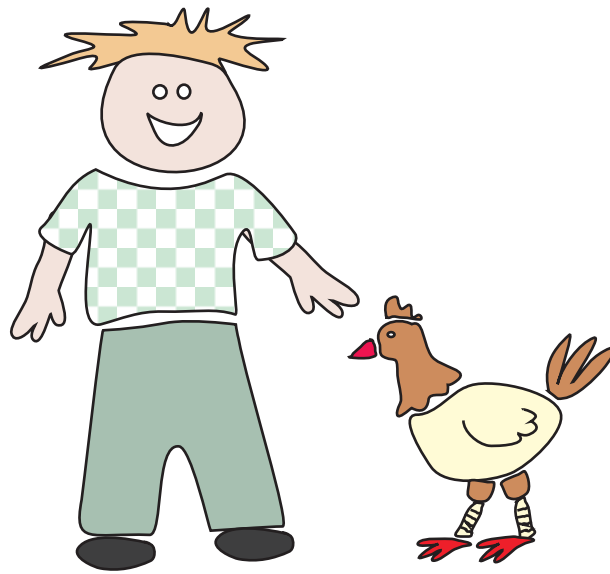
He can **beg** with both front feet.

He can **beg** for a bone,

he can **beg** for a treat,

he can **beg, beg, beg**

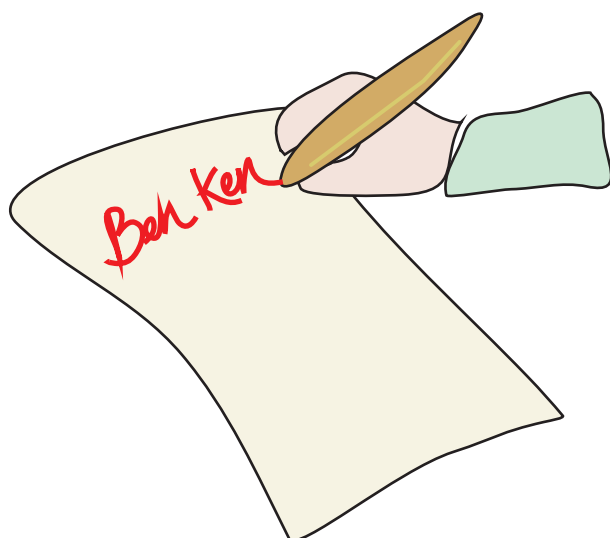
for what I eat.



Ben has a **hen** – he calls her **Ken** –
and all his friends just laugh at him.

“Ha, ha,” they say, “a **hen** is a she.
You can’t call her **Ken** – a **Ken** is a he.”

But **Ben** doesn’t care, and neither
does the **hen**, so he calls her **Ken**
again and again.



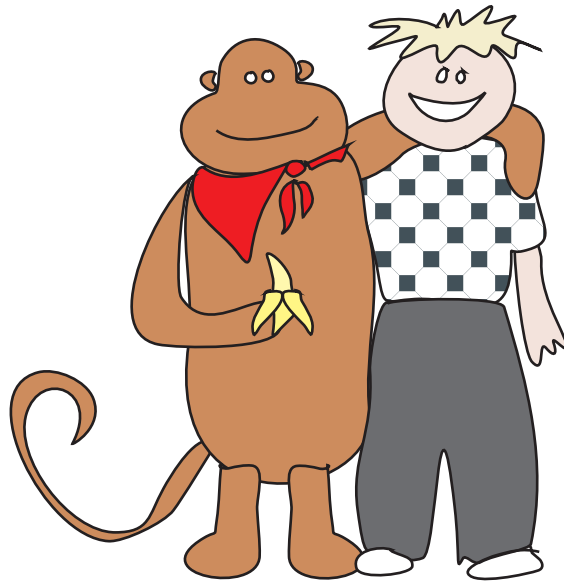
When I turn **ten**, I want a **pen**
to write my name, **Ben Ken Zen Fen.**
My name is very funny –
I always mix it up –
was it **Ben Fen Zen Ken**
or **Ben Zen Fen Zen?**
That's why I want a **pen**,
on the day that I turn **ten**,
so I can write, **Ben Ken Zen Fen**
again and again and again.



Ben has **ten** of everything –
ten trains, **ten** clocks,
and **ten** pairs of stinky socks.

Ben gets up at **ten** o'clock,
and puts on a pair of stinky socks.
Then little **Ben** brushes his teeth,
and runs downstairs in his stinky feet.

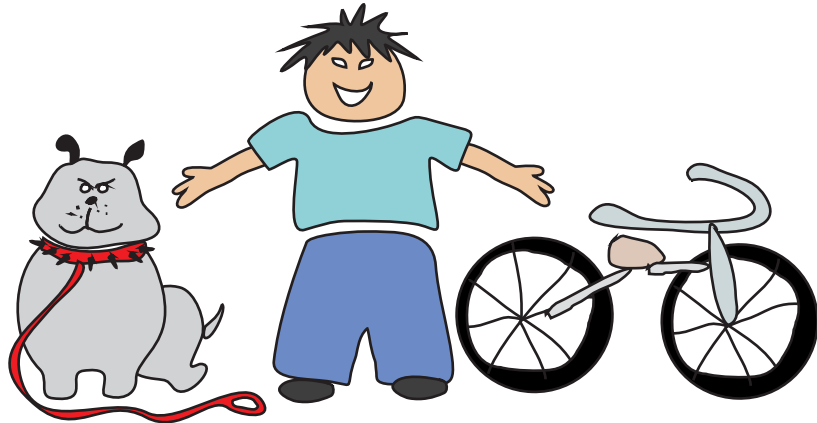
I wish that **Ben** would wash his socks,
but his **ten** bars of soap are always lost.
I guess there's nothing I can do –
I'm just so glad I'm not his shoe.



Today I **met** a monkey at the zoo.
His name was Fred; he was really cute.
The monkey that I **met**
was eating a banana.
The monkey that I **met**
was wearing a bandana.
The monkey that I **met**
came home with me –
aren't you glad I didn't meet three?



Will you **let** me drive the car,
and will you **let** me stay up late,
and will you **let** me get a job
when I turn eight?

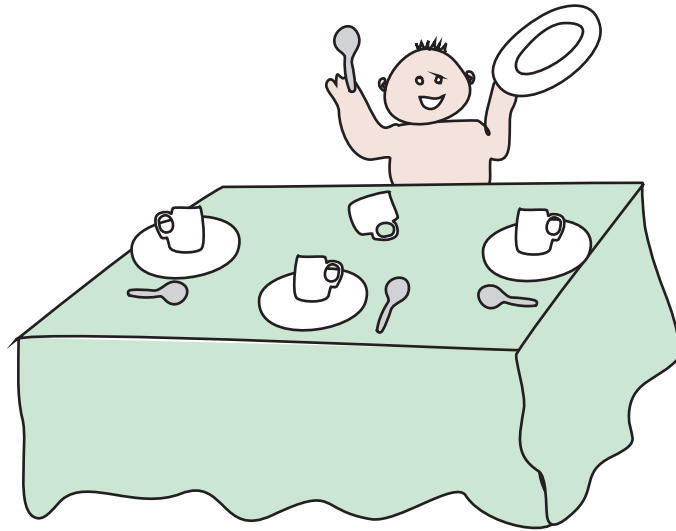


For my birthday,
I am going to **get** a bike,
I am going to **get** a cake,
and a dog called Spike.

And Spike will **get** a collar,
and Spike will **get** a leash...

Wait!

Why will Spike **get** anything?
It's MY birthday, ding-a-ling!



I always **set** the table.

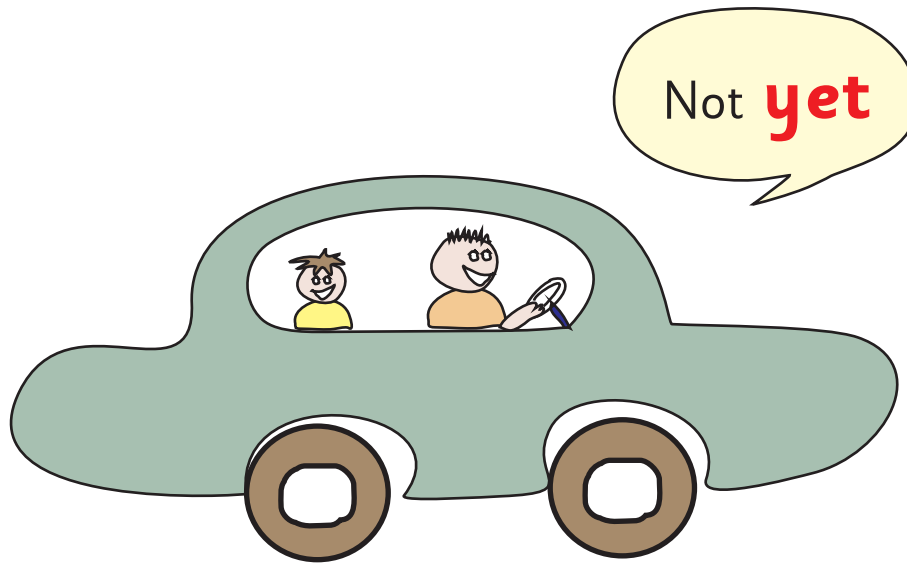
I **set** it every day –

I **set** down the spoons,

I **set** down the cups,

then my baby brother

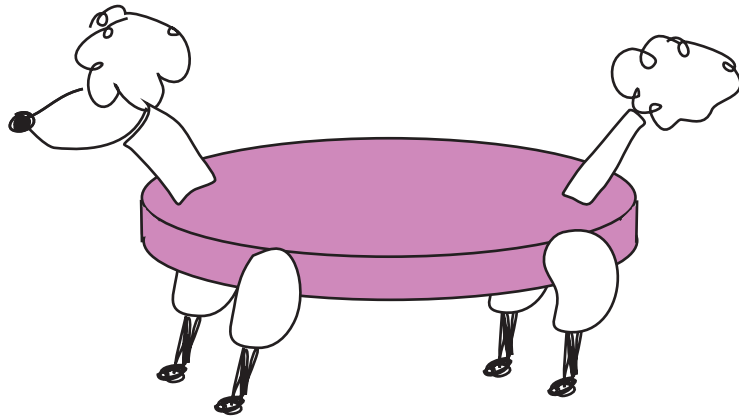
messes it up.



When I ask my dad to stop for a soda,
he always says, “Not **yet**.”

And when I ask if we are there **yet**,
what does he say? “Not **yet**.”

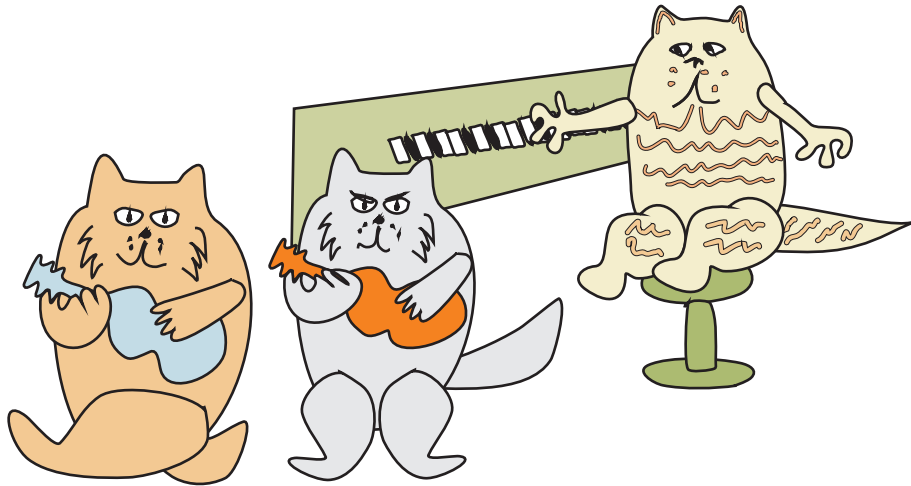
So I always wonder when is “**yet**” –
I hope it’s soon, I **bet**.



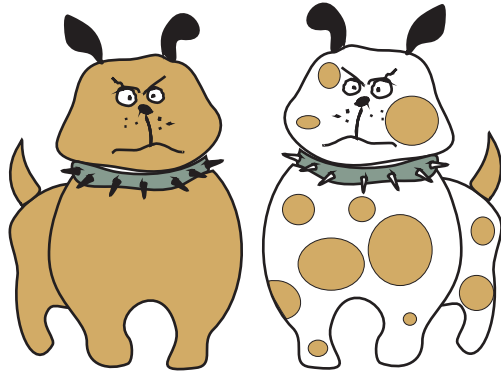
I took my **pet** to see the **vet** – my **pet** was very ill. The **vet** took a look and gave my **pet** a giant purple pill.

I could not get my little **pet** to swallow that giant pill. I pushed and pulled and pushed until the **pet** and the pill rolled down the hill.

They rolled and rolled and rolled until the pill was the **pet** and the **pet** was the pill, and my new purple **pet** was no longer ill.



Never, ever **let** your **pet**
drive a **jet** to see the **vet**.
If you ever **let** your **pet**
drive a **jet** to see the **vet**,
your **pet** will drive the **jet** too far,
all the way to Zanzibar,
where every **pet** that was ever allowed
to drive a **jet** up in a cloud
is living now in Zanzibar,
playing a piano or a bass guitar.



I know two dogs
called **Rex** and **Tex**.

Rex and **Tex** are mean.

So, never **vex** (that means to annoy)

Rex or **Tex**

because if you **vex**

Rex or **Tex**,

they're going to make

you scream.

Mix it
up

When a child is comfortable reading the Big Red Words in this book, he/she is ready for “Mix It Up” – the part of the book where the child practices reading a variety of short vowel words.



I **met a man**

on the way to the sea.

I **met a man,**

and the **man met** me.

Now, the **man** that I **met**

was **a** little bit **wet,**

so the **man** that I **met**

was **a** fish I **bet.**

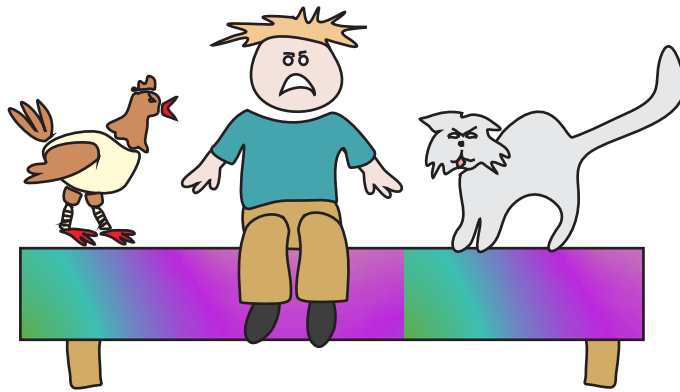


If I **get wet**, I **am** going
to get **mad**. If I **get wet**,
it will be very **bad**.

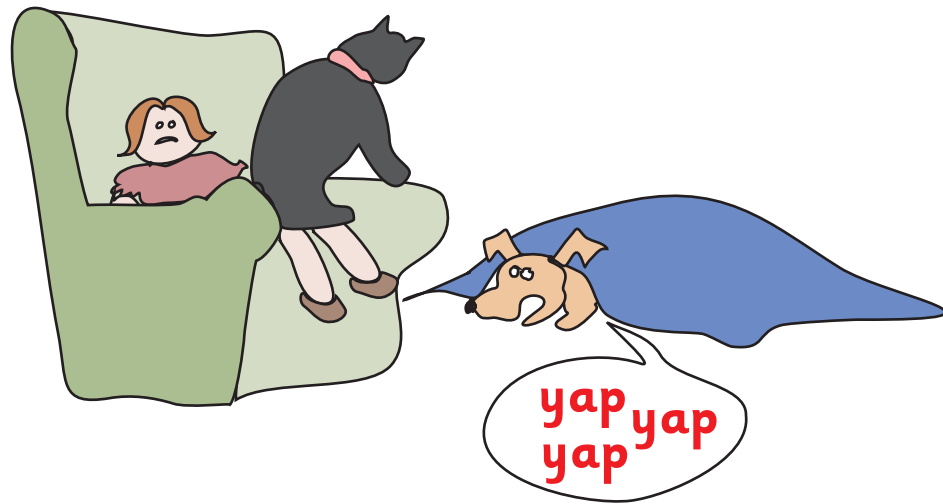
I'm **a cat** – okay? –
and if you **get** me **wet**,
I will run away.

But wait! If I **ran** away,
you might **get a** new **pet**.

I think I would rather
get a little **wet**.



I **sat** on my **bed** – I had
nothing to do – my **cat sat**
too, and my **hen** , Ken Fu.
Now my **hen** and my **cat**
can vex me when they're
bad – the **hen** and the **cat**
can fight and **get mad**.
So I told them to **nap**,
and I put them on the **bed**,
then I **ran** outside
to play with Cousin **Ed**.



Ken and **Pam** are my dog
and **cat**. **Ken** is **tan**, and **Pam**
is black. **Pam can nap** all day
in my **lap**. **Ken** likes to bark
and **yap, yap, yap**.
Pam can get mad
if **Ken** wakes her up,
then **Ken** has to hide
because he never hushes up.



Remember **Ben**
who **had** stinky socks?
His shoes **ran** away
and his socks got lost.
His **dad had** to buy
a new **bag** of socks,
and **Ben had** to promise
to wash, wash, wash.

The end

Don't forget!

If you have a moment (and if you are willing), email us with your comments. Thanks!

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