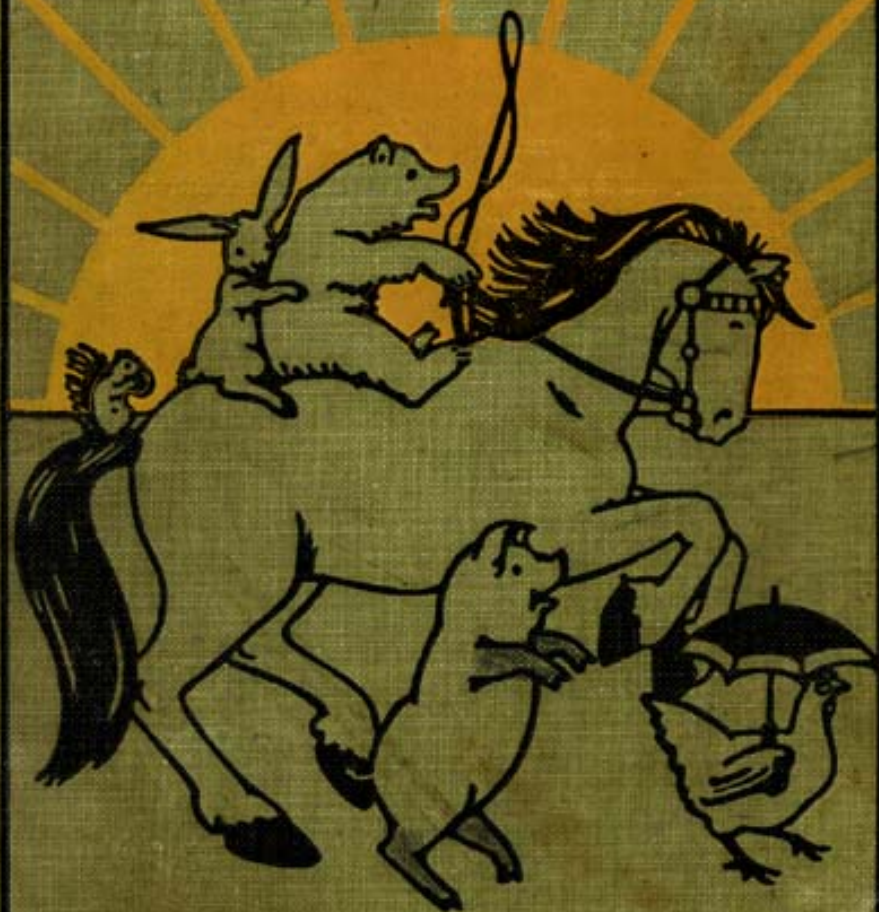


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## Betty

Betty is a little girl.  
This is Betty.





## Billy

Billy is a little boy.  
This is Billy.



## Fluff

Fluff is a little cat.  
She is a little white cat.  
This is Fluff.



## Bunny

Bunny is a big rabbit.  
 She is a big, brown rabbit.  
 This is Bunny,



## Bing

Bing is a big dog.  
 He is a brown and white dog.  
 This is Bing.



## Squealer

Squealer is a little pig.  
 He is a little brown pig.  
 He likes to have fun.  
 This is Squealer.



## Fun

Betty is a little girl.  
 Fluff is her cat.  
 Bunny is her rabbit, too,  
 A rabbit big and fat.





Billy is a little boy.

Billy's dog is Bing.

Squealer is his little pig,

A funny little thing.



Billy, Betty, Fluff, and Bing

Like to play and run.

Bunny jumps and Squealer squeals.

And they all have fun.



## Billy and Betty Play House

Billy said,

“Come, Betty!

Come and play.

You come, Bing.

And you, too, Fluff.

Come and play house.”

And they did.



Billy was the father.

Betty was the mother.

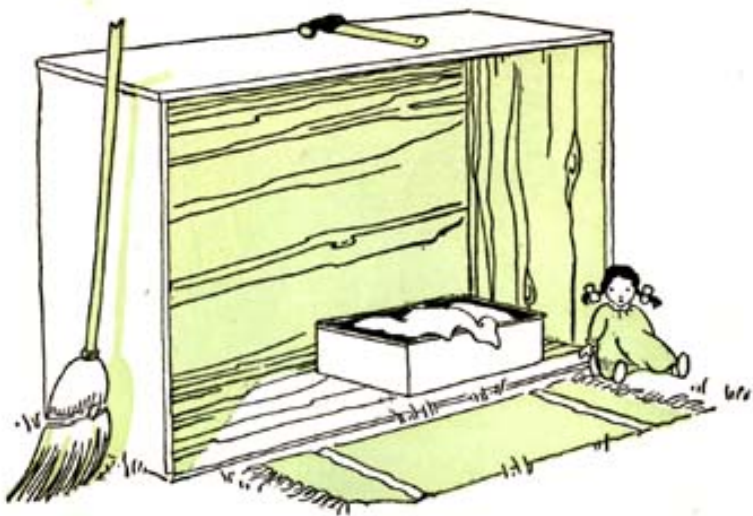
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She was a funny baby,  
and a fat little thing.

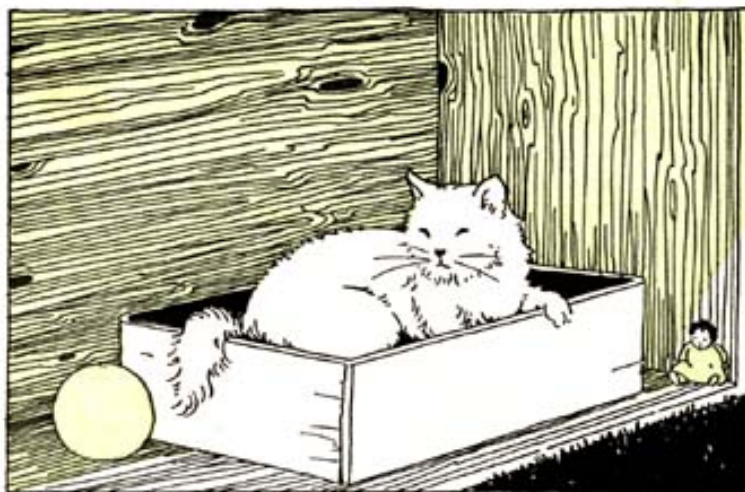
Betty said,

“Bing, you run and play.”

And Bing did.



The father made the house.  
 It was a brown house.  
 It was a playhouse.  
 He made it for the mother.  
 He made it for the baby.  
 The mother made a cake.  
 It was a little cake,  
 and it was white.  
 She made it for the father.



The baby was in the playhouse.  
 She was in a box.  
 It was her box.  
 Billy made it for her.  
 The baby said,  
 "Meow! Meow!"  
 The mother said,  
 "Sleep, Baby, sleep!"  
 And baby did.



Bing ran into the playhouse.  
He ran to the baby  
in her box.

“Bow wow!” said Bing.

“I want to play.”

“Meow!” said the baby.

“I want to sleep.”

“Bow wow!” said Bing.

“I want to play.”

“Meow!” said the baby.

And she ran away.



## Squealer Ran Away

One morning Squealer ran away.

He ran away for fun.

He was a little, little pig,

A funny little one.

He said,

“I am a wee, wee pig.

I am, I am!

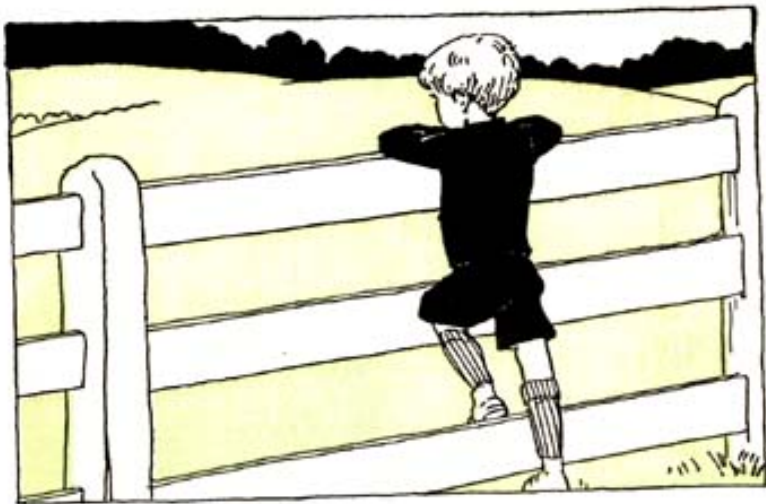
I like to run away.

Wee wee! Wee wee!

I run and run,

and I have fun.”

And away he ran.



Billy looked for Squealer.  
 He looked and looked and looked.  
 He looked in the playhouse.  
 He looked in the box.  
 He said,  
 "Come, Squealer, come!  
 You funny Squealer, come!  
 I want you, Squealer."  
 But Squealer did not come.

Billy ran to Betty.

He said,

"Betty, Betty!

I cannot find Squealer.

I have looked and looked.

He is not in the playhouse.

He is not in his box.

He is lost.

Will you look for Squealer?

Will you, Betty?"

Betty said,

"I will! I will!

I will look for Squealer."

And she did.





She ran to the rabbit box.  
 She ran to the playhouse.  
 She looked here,  
     and she looked there.  
 But she did not find Squealer.  
 She said,  
     "I want you, Squealer Pig."  
 But Squealer did not come.



Betty said,  
     "Bing, Bing!  
     Come here, Bing!  
     I cannot find Squealer.  
     He is lost.  
     Look for him, Bing!  
     Find him! Find him!"

Bing said,  
     "Bow wow!  
     I will find him."  
 And away he ran.



He ran here,  
 and he ran there.  
 He looked here,  
 and he looked there.  
 He went to the playhouse.  
 He went to Billy's house.  
 He looked in.  
 He went in.  
 "Bow wow!" said Bing.  
 "Here he is under the table!"  
 "Wee wee!" said Squealer.  
 "Here I am under the table!"  
 "Good dog, Bing!" said Betty.  
 "Good dog, Bing!"



## Raining

One morning it was raining.  
 Raining, raining, raining.  
 Pat, pat, pat!

"Rain, rain!" Billy said.  
 "I want you to go away.  
 I want to go  
 to the playhouse."

"Pat, pat!" said the rain.  
 "I want to rain."

And it did.

"We can play here," said Betty.  
 "We will have fun in the house."

And they did.



Billy had a train.  
 The train was in a box.  
 It was a brown train.  
 Betty had a doll.  
 It was a baby doll.  
 It was a big baby doll.



Billy made the train go.  
 "Go fast!" said Billy.  
 "Go fast! Go fast!"

And the train went fast.  
 It ran here  
 and it ran there.

Billy said,  
 "Look, Betty!  
 My train can go fast.  
 It is a fast train."  
 "Too, too!" said the train.  
 "I am a fast train."



Betty made the doll go to sleep.

“Sleep, my baby, sleep,” she said.

“Mother will sing to you.

Baby will sleep.

Sleep, my baby, sleep.”

And the baby did.

“Too, too!” said the train.

“Pat, pat!” said the rain.

And they all had fun.

## A Ride on the Big Train

One morning Billy and Betty  
went for a ride.

Mother and Father went, too.

They all had a ride  
on the train.

“I like to ride on the train,”  
said Betty.

“I like a fast train,”  
said Billy.

“Too, too!” said the train.

“I am a fast train.  
Too, too!

Too, too, too!”



The train stopped.  
 And they all went out.  
 Grandma was out there.  
 Grandpa was out there.  
 His car was out there, too.  
 It was a big, blue car.

“Good morning, Grandma  
 and Grandpa!” said Billy  
 and Betty.

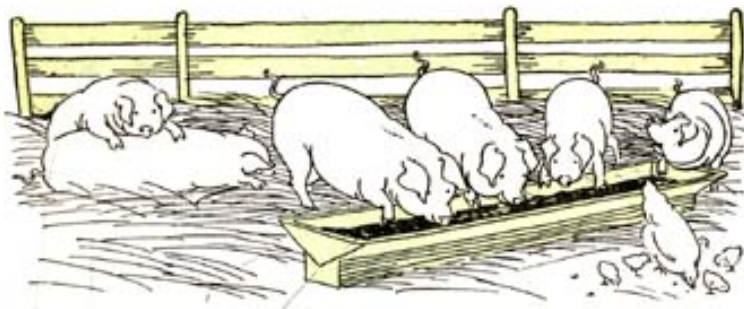
“Good morning! Good morning!”  
 said Grandma and Grandpa.

“Jump into the car!  
 And away we go to the house!”

And away they all went  
 to the house.



Grandma and Grandpa  
 had a big, white house.  
 It had a little, blue chair  
 in it for Betty.  
 It had a little, red chair  
 in it for Billy.  
 Grandma had made them  
 a big, brown cake.  
 The cake was on the table.  
 A big, brown cat  
 was under the table.



Grandpa had a white horse.  
He had brown and white cows.  
He had hens and pigs.

Billy and Betty went out  
to see the horse.

They stopped to see the cows.  
They stopped to see the pigs.

“I like the little red hens,”  
said Betty.

“I like the big, white horse,”  
said Billy.

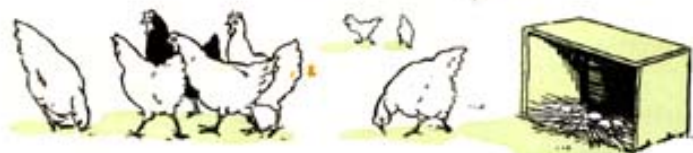
“I will give you a ride,”  
said the big, white horse.  
And he did.

“We will give you some eggs,”  
said the little, red hens.  
And they did.

“I will give you some milk,”  
said a big, brown cow.  
And it was good milk.

“We will squeal for you,”  
said the funny little pigs.  
“Wee, wee, wee!”

And they all had fun.





## I Know a Story

One morning Betty said,  
 “Mother, I know a story.  
 The cows give milk to me.  
 I give the milk to my Fluff.  
 The hens give eggs to me.  
 And I give some to Bing.  
 The birds sing to me.  
 I sing to my baby doll.  
 And we all have fun.”



Billy said,  
 “Mother, I know a story, too.  
 Grandpa gives me a ride.  
 I ride in his car.  
 I give Fluff a ride.  
 She rides on my train.  
 The horse gives me a ride, too.  
 And we all have fun.”



Mother said,

“I know a story, too.

There was a little girl,

and she had a little cat.

There was a little boy,

and he had a big dog.

The girl will soon be six.

The boy will soon be six.

And soon the boy and girl

will have a party.

Boys and girls

will come to the party.

Grandma and Grandpa

will come to the party.

The cat will be there.

The dog will be there.

And they will all have fun.”

Betty said,

“I know! I know!

Billy is the boy.

I am the girl.

And we can have a party!”

Billy said,

“Good, good, good!

A party! A party!

When, Mother, when?”

“Soon, soon,” said the Mother,

“When you are six.”

“Soon, soon,” said Betty,

“When we are six.”

And they ran away to play.

## The Birthday Party

Soon Billy and Betty

had the party.

Two little girls

came to the party.

Two little boys came, too.

The two little girls said,

“Happy Birthday, Betty!

Here is a book for you.”

It was a little, blue book.

The two little boys said,

“Happy Birthday, Billy!

Here is a ball for you.”

It was a big, red ball.



They played with the ball.

They played with the train.

They played with Fluff

and with Bing.

They went to see Bunny.

They went to see Squealer.

The girls said,

“See the little pig!

The funny little thing!”

The boys said,

“See him run!

See him run!

He squeals and squeals.”



They had ice cream.

They had some milk.

They had a white birthday cake.

They had a brown birthday cake.

The white cake had blue candles.

The brown cake had red candles.

Grandma made the white cake.

It was for Betty.

Mother made the brown cake.

It was for Billy.

Betty cut the white cake.

Billy cut the brown cake.

All the children ate the cake.

And Bing ate cake, too.

The children all said,

“It was a good party, Billy.

It was fun, Betty.

We had a good time.

And it is time to go home.”

Grandpa said,

“It is time for me

to go home, too.

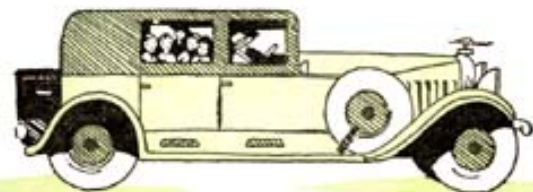
I had a good time, Betty.

And Grandma had a good time.

Jump into the car, children.

And we can all ride home.”

And they all did.







# Billy and Betty Go to School



Betty said,

“Mother, I am happy, happy.

We are six.

And we can go to school.

I want to go to school.

I want to play with the children.”

Billy said,

“It is time to go, Betty.

See the children out there!

They go to school.

Come on, Betty!

Good-bye, Mother! Good-bye!”

And away they went to school.



They came to the children.

Billy said,

“We are six.

And we are going to school.”

The children said,

“We are going to school, too.

The school is over the hill.

We will show it to you.

Come on!”

And they all went over the hill.



Soon they came to the school.

It had a big, red door.

Miss Bird was at the door.

They all stopped at the door.

The children said,

“Good morning, Miss Bird.

This is Billy and Betty.

They are six.

And they have come to school.”

Miss Bird said,

“Good morning, boys and girls!

Come in, Billy and Betty.”

And they all went in

the big, red door.



They had a good time in school.

They had a good play

with the children.

Miss Bird had a story to tell.

It was a story of a rabbit.

His house had a little, red door.

The rabbit had a little, blue cup.

The children made a picture

of the rabbit.

They made a picture

of his house.

They made a picture

of the red door.

They made a picture

of the blue cup.

When Betty came home,  
she was happy.

She said,

“Mother, we had a good time.  
I like Miss Bird.  
We have little, brown chairs.  
We have little, brown tables.”

Billy said,

“I know a story, Mother.  
It is a story of a rabbit.  
He had a blue cup.  
I will tell you the story.”

Mother said,

“Good, Billy!  
I will tell you a story, too.”

And Billy did, and Mother did.



## The Rabbit with the Little Blue Cup

(Miss Bird's Story)

One time there was a rabbit.  
He was a baby bunny.  
He hopped and he hopped.  
He hopped on his toes.  
And he had a little, blue cup.  
  
He lived in a funny, brown house.  
It was over the hill.  
It was under a tree.  
The house had a little, red door.





One morning he said,  
 “Good-bye, Red Door.

I am going to run away.”

And away he went with a hop.

He hopped out of the house.

He hopped over the hill.

He hopped here.

He hopped there.

He looked up

and he looked down.

But he did not see his home.

He looked here,

and he looked there.

But he did not find his home.

The little baby bunny was lost.



He came to a cat  
 and he stopped.

He said,

“Cat, Cat, I am lost.

I live over the hill.

I live under a tree.

I live in a house

with a little, red door.

I want to go home.

Will you show me the way?”

The cat said,

“I will.

But what will you do for me?”



The rabbit said,

“I will wiggle my nose.

I will hop on my toes.

I will show you the way

a good rabbit goes.

And I will go home.”

The cat said,

“Get me some milk.

And I will show you the way

to go home.”

The rabbit went to the cow.

He said,

“Cow, Cow, I am lost.

Will you give me some milk

to give to the cat?

She will show me the way

to go home.”

The cow said,

“I will.

But what will you do for me?”

“I will wiggle my nose.

I will hop on my toes.

I will show you the way

A good rabbit goes.”

“Get me some grass,” said the cow,

“And I will give you the milk.”



The rabbit went to the horse.  
He said,

“Horse, Horse, I am lost.  
Will you give me some grass  
to give to the cow?  
She will give me some milk  
to give to the cat.  
And the cat will show me  
the way to go home.”

The horse said,  
“I will.

But what will you do for me?”



The rabbit said,  
“I will wiggle my nose.  
I will hop on my toes.  
I will show you the way  
A good rabbit goes.”

The horse said,  
“Get me some water.  
And I will give  
you the grass.”



The rabbit went to the man.

He said,

“Man, Man, I am lost.

Will you give me some water  
to give to the horse?

He will give me some grass  
to give to the cow.

She will give me some milk  
to give to the cat.

And the cat will show me  
the way to go home.”

The man said,

“Here is the water.

You have a blue cup.

I will fill it up.”

And the man filled the cup  
with the water.



The rabbit gave the water  
to the horse.

The horse filled the blue cup  
with grass.

The rabbit gave the grass  
to the cow.

The cow filled the blue cup  
with milk.



The rabbit gave the milk  
to the cat.

He said,

“Cat, Cat, I want to go home.  
Will you show me the way?”

The cat said,

“I will.

There is the hill,  
and there is the tree.

Hop over and under.

There is the house  
with the little, red door.

Hop in!”

Away went the rabbit.

He wiggled his nose.

He hopped on his toes.  
He showed her the way  
A good rabbit goes.

And he went

in the little, red door.





## The Bear and His Party

(Mother's Story)

One time there was a bear.

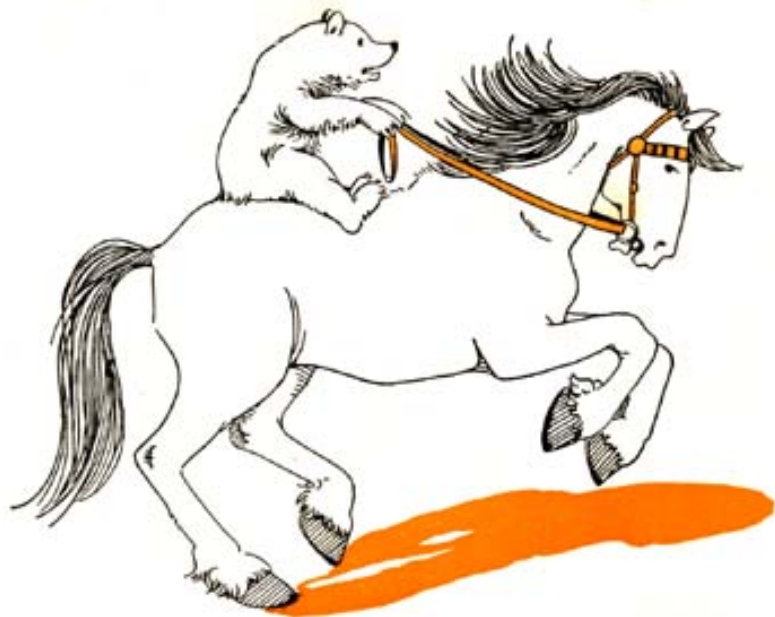
He was a brown bear.

He lived in the woods.

He had a birthday party.

The birds and the bees  
came to the party.

The squirrel came, too,  
and the horse and the rabbit,  
the pig and the cow,  
the dog and the little, red hen.



The hen gave him eggs.

The cow gave him milk.

The bees gave him honey.

The squirrel gave him nuts.

The horse

gave the little bear a ride.

It was a funny ride.





The pig began to squeal.  
 The birds began to sing.  
 The cow began to moo.  
 The rabbit began to hop.  
 He wiggled his nose.  
 He hopped on his toes.  
 He showed them the way  
 A good rabbit goes.  
 And they all had fun.

The bear said, "Wind, Wind!  
 Will you bring us a table?"

The wind said, "I will."  
 And there was the table.

The bear said, "Wind, Wind!  
 Will you bring us some chairs?"

The wind said, "I will."  
 And there was a chair  
 For the pig and the rabbit,  
 The horse and the bear,  
 The hen and the squirrel.  
 A little one now  
 For the birds and the bees,  
 And one for the cow.

The chairs were brown.  
 They went all around the table.  
 Soon the honey  
     came up on the table.  
 Some little blue cups  
     came on the table, too.  
 So did the nuts and the milk.  
 And soon there came a birthday cake.  
 There were candles on the cake.  
 “Good old wind!” said the bear.  
 The bear filled the cups with milk.  
 He gave them all a cup.  
 The bear cut the birthday cake.  
 They all ate the birthday cake.  
 And they all had fun.



The cow said,  
 “Moo moo!  
 What a pretty, pretty cake!”  
 The hen said,  
 “Cut cut!  
 What pretty candles on it!”  
 The pig said,  
 “Wee wee!  
 What a happy, happy party!”  
 The rain said,  
 “Pat pat!  
 It is time to go home.”  
 And they all went home.



## Squealer Goes to Grandpa

One day Betty said,

“Squealer will soon

be a big pig.

He is so fat now.

He squeals all the time.”

Mother said,

“We will give him to Grandpa.

He can live with the pigs there.

He can squeal with them.”

So they all went out

to see Grandpa.

Billy said to Grandpa,

“Squealer is too big

to live with us.

I will give him to you.”

Betty said,

“Four little feet

And one little nose,

And with a big squeal

The little pig goes.”

Grandpa said,

“Come on, Squealer!

Come and live with my pigs!

I will show them to you.”

So they all went out

to see the pigs.



The little, red hen said,  
 "Cut-cut-cut-ARE-cut!  
 Have you come  
 to live with us?  
 Happy to see you!  
 You will like it here."

The big, brown cow said,  
 "Moo, moo, moo!  
 You will like my milk."

The funny, little pigs said,  
 "Wee, wee, wee!  
 Come on in, Squealer!"

Squealer went in.  
 And all the little pigs  
 began to squeal.



## Pat

Grandpa said to Billy,  
 "You gave Squealer to me.  
 See what I have for you!  
 I found it in the woods.  
 It was lost.  
 It is too little to run around.  
 I made a box for it, Billy,  
 and it is in the box.  
 You will be good to it.  
 When it is big,  
 you will let it out.  
 You will let it live outside."

Billy looked in the box.

Billy said,

“It is a squirrel, Betty!  
See his funny, little feet!  
They go pat, pat, pat.  
I shall name him Pat.  
I shall be good to him.”

Betty said,

“You pretty, little Pat!  
You shall have a good time.  
You shall have nuts to eat.  
When you are big,  
we will let you out.  
And we will be good to you.  
We will, we will!”

And they were.



Pat had a happy time.  
He lived in his box.  
He had good things to eat  
and he ate them.  
He ate nuts, nuts, nuts.  
And Pat got fat.

One day Mother said,  
“Let him out of his box.  
Let him run around  
in here, Billy.  
See what he will do  
outside of his box.”

So Billy let him out.



Pat began to run around.  
 He ran here,  
     and he ran there.  
 He ran to Billy.  
 He went up Billy's leg.  
 He went up Billy's arm.  
 His nose was so funny.  
 It went wiggle, wiggle, wiggle.

"You funny, little thing!"  
     said Betty.

"You are so pretty!  
 I love you, Pat!"

## Pat Does Funny Things

One day Billy said,  
 "Come here, Father.

I want you to see  
     what Pat does.

He has two hands, Father.  
 And he has two feet.

He can sit up  
     on his two funny feet.

He can eat  
     with his two funny hands.  
 He does funny things, Father.  
 He does, he does!"

Pat looked at Father.  
 Pat wiggled his nose.





Billy said,

“See what he does  
when I open the door.”

Pat came out.

He ran around outside.

He went to Billy.

He ran up Billy’s leg.

He ran up Billy’s arm.

He went into Billy’s pockets.

Billy had four nuts

in his pockets.

Pat found the four nuts.

He got them all out

of Billy’s pockets.

And he ate the four nuts.

“You pretty Pat!” said Betty.



## For Christmas

“Christmas will soon be here,”  
said Betty.

“Christmas! Christmas!  
What do you want, Billy?  
What do you want  
for Christmas?”

“I want a drum,”  
said Billy.

“I want a red drum.  
I want my name on it, too.  
But I will let you  
play with it, Betty.

I want a coat, too.

I want a coat  
with big pockets."

Betty said,  
"What do you want, Father?"

Father said,  
"I want a car.  
I want a blue car.  
I want my name on it, too.  
But I will let you  
ride in it, Betty.  
I want a coat, too.  
I want a coat  
with big pockets."

Betty laughed.

Billy laughed.

Mother and Father laughed, too.



"What do you want, Mother?"  
said Betty.

Mother laughed and said,  
"I want shoes for my feet  
and a hat for my head.  
And I want a ride  
in Father's car.  
What do you want, Betty?"



Betty said,

“Mother, there is a little girl  
at school.

Her name is Ann.

She has no mother to love her.

She has no doll to play with.

I want to give her a doll.

May I, Mother?

May I give her a doll

when Christmas comes?”

“You may, Betty,” said Mother.

“I will get the doll.

And you

may give it to her.”

“I shall give her a book,”  
said Billy.

“Oh, Mother!” said Betty.

“When Christmas comes,  
may Ann come to the tree?”

“Oh, Betty!” said Father.

“When I am old,  
may I live with you?”







## The Christmas Tree

The children had a Christmas tree.

It was a big tree.

There were oranges and apples  
on the tree.

There were candles  
all over the tree.

Red candles, green candles,  
Yellow candles, too,  
Pretty little orange candles  
Candles white and blue.



Ann came to the Christmas tree.  
And Ann was happy.

Betty and Billy  
were happy, too.

They all laughed and laughed.  
and they all had fun.

Fluff went to sleep.

She went to sleep  
under the tree.

But Bing did not go to sleep.  
He said,

“Bow wow! Bow wow!  
See the funny, old tree!  
See the funny, old tree  
in the house!”



Ann got a big doll  
 With yellow, yellow hair.  
 Ann got a story book  
 And a little, yellow chair.  
 Ann put the doll in the chair.  
 "You pretty chair!" said Ann.  
 "You pretty, pretty doll.  
 I love you!"



Billy got a red drum.  
 His name was on it, too.  
 Billy got a green book,  
 And a pretty coat of blue.  
 Billy put the coat on.  
 He said,  
 "See my coat, Grandpa!  
 It has big pockets."  
 Billy put his hands  
 in the pockets.



Mother got a new hat,  
 And shoes for her feet.  
 Bunny got a new box,  
 And good things to eat.  
 Betty got a story book.  
 The story book was red.  
 Betty got a new doll,  
 And a yellow doll bed.  
 Mother put the hat on her head.  
 Betty put the doll in the bed.



Grandma got a pretty bag,  
 And a picture in a box.  
 Grandpa got a new tie,  
 And Grandpa got some socks.  
 Grandma put the bag in the box.  
 Grandpa put his tie and his socks  
 in his pocket.





There was a coat for Father,  
 A bell for Fluff, the cat.  
 A yellow ball for good old Bing,  
 And a bag of nuts for Pat.

There was a car for Father,  
 The car was outside.  
 On Christmas Day," said Father,  
 "We shall all have a ride."

They ate oranges and candy,  
 And apples big and red.  
 They put out all the candles  
 And they all went up to bed.



## A Ride to the Woods

One day Father said,  
 "Who wants to ride to the woods?  
 Who wants to eat  
 out in the woods?  
 Who wants to go now?  
 Who wants to help Mother?  
 Who wants to help Father?"

Billy and Betty said,  
 "We do! We do!"



Betty said,

“I will help Mother.”

Betty did six things.

She found six cups.

She cut the bread.

She got the milk.

She made her bed.

She put all the things in a bag.

She put the bag in the car.

Betty was a big help

to her Mother.

Her Mother said she was.



Billy said,

“I will help Father.”

Billy did five things.

He found a brown coat for Father.

He found some brown shoes

for him, too.

He got him a box.

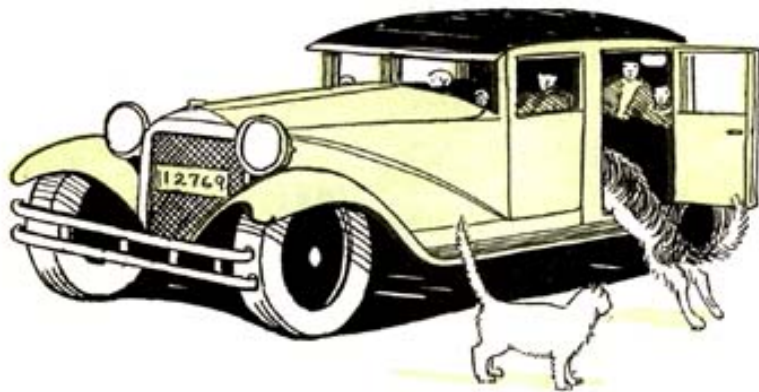
He got him his hat.

He gave him a drink of water.

Billy was a big help

to his Father.

His Father said he was.



“And now come on!” said Father.  
 “Away we go to the woods!  
 One, two, three, four,  
     Open the car door.  
 Five, six, seven, eight,  
     Jump in! Sit straight!”

Billy and Betty and Mother got in.  
 And so did Fluff and Bing.

“Sit straight, Bing!” said Billy.  
     “Sit straight!”



Soon they came to the woods.  
 They got out of the car  
     and went under a tree.  
 The grass was green.  
 The birds were pretty.  
 And Bing was a happy dog.  
 He ran around and around.  
 He found some water under a tree.  
 So Bing had a drink.

Fluff played  
     with her Christmas bell.  
 And Father and Billy  
     played ball.





They had bread and cake to eat.

They had nuts and oranges.

They had milk to drink.

And Mother had made them  
some candy.

It was nut candy.

“Bow wow!” said Bing.

“I like nut candy.”

“Meow!” said Fluff.

“I like good milk.”

“You shall have some,”  
said Billy and Betty.

And they all had a good time  
under the green tree.



Soon Father said,

“Time to go home!”

So they all went out  
to the car.

“One, two, three, four,  
Open the car door.

“Five, six, seven, eight,  
Jump in! Sit straight!

“Seven, eight, nine, ten,  
Here we go home again!”

And they all went home.



## A Picture Show in the Playhouse

One day Ann came over to play.

Billy said,

“Who wants to play picture show?”

Betty and Ann said,

“We do! We do!”

Billy said,

“I will show you the way.

I know some funny things to say.”



“The show will be  
in the playhouse.

I shall be the showman.

I shall be the doorman.

You stay outside, Ann.

And you stay outside, Betty.

Bing shall stay outside, too.

The drum will tell you

when to come.”

So the children played picture show.



“Boom, boom, boom!” went the drum.

“Come, come, come!”

And they all came.

The doorman said,

“One, two, three, four,

Open the showhouse door.

“Five, six, seven, eight,

Walk in! Walk straight!”

Ann came in, and Betty came in,  
and Bing came, too.

They had little, brown chairs  
to sit in.

And Bing looked funny.



The showman said,

“Now you will see the pictures.

This is a white bear.

He lives in the cold north.

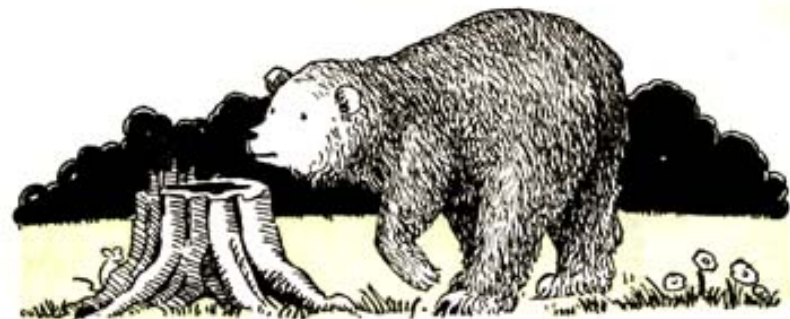
He likes the ice.

He likes to walk on the ice.

He likes the cold.

He likes to eat fish.”





"This is a brown bear.  
 He does not live  
     in the cold north.  
 He lives in the woods.  
 He likes to walk  
     in the woods.  
 He does not eat fish.  
 But he does eat honey.  
 The honey is in a tree.  
 The bees put it there.  
 They find it in the flowers.  
 A brown bear likes honey."



"This is a brown squirrel.  
 He has a pretty back.  
 His back has yellow on it.  
 He lives in the woods.  
 He can run up a tree.  
 He can sit up  
     on his two feet.  
 He can eat  
     with his two hands.  
 I have a squirrel.  
 He has a pretty back, too.  
 He can run up my arm.  
 He can run up my leg.  
 He can get nuts  
     out of my pockets."



“That is all,” said the showman.

“Boom, boom, boom!” went the drum.

The showman said,

“One, two, three, four,  
Open the showhouse door.

“Five, six, seven, eight,  
Walk out! Walk straight!

“Seven, eight, nine, ten,  
Good-bye! Come again!”

And they all went out  
and they all went away.



## I Wish

It was raining again.  
Father was at home.  
And there was no school.

Billy said,  
“I wish the rain  
would go away.”

The rain said,  
“The flowers wish  
that I would stay.  
So I will stay.”

And the rain did.



"Bow wow!" said Bing at the door.

"I wish that you  
would let me in."

"I will let you in, Bing,"  
said Betty.

"Good old dog, Bing!  
Funny old dog, Bing!  
I will let you in."

So Bing came in.



Bing went over to Billy.

Bing said,

"I wish that you  
would pat me on the head."

Billy said,

"Good old Bing Dog!  
I will pat you on the head."

And Billy did.





Fluff came over to Bing.

“Meow!” said Fluff.

“I wish that you  
would play with me.”

“Bow wow!” said Bing.

“I will play with you, Fluff.”

They played and they played.

Soon they went to sleep.



Mother looked over at Betty.

She said,

“I wish I had that bag of socks,  
the old socks and the new socks.

I want to look them over.”

Betty ran out and Betty came back.

And Mother had her bag of socks.



Billy looked over at Mother.  
He said,

“I wish you would make  
a honey cake, Mother.  
I wish you would make  
some nut candy.”

“I will make them soon,”  
said Mother.  
And she did.



Father began to laugh.  
“This is Wishing Day,” he said.  
“I wish I had a drink of water.”

Billy ran out  
and Billy came back.  
And Father had a drink  
of good, cold water.



“What do you wish, Betty?”  
said Father.

“I wish you would read a story  
to us, Father.

There is a funny story  
in my Christmas book.  
It is a story  
of Grandfather Owl.

Will you read it to us?

Will you read it now, Father?”

“Get the book,” said Father.

“And I will read it now.”

And Father did.



## Grandfather Owl and His Nightcap

Grandfather Owl lived in a tree.

He was old, old, old.

He would fly all night

When the Sun was gone.

He would sleep all day

With his nightcap on.



One night he went out to fly.  
 In the morning,  
 he came home to sleep.  
 He put on his nightcap.  
 There was a North Wind  
 and it was cold.

Grandfather Owl said,  
 "I shall tie my nightcap on.  
 I shall tie it on  
 with a one, two, three."  
 And he did.  
 But his head was cold, cold.  
 He put his hand to his head  
 and the cap was not there.  
 It was gone.  
 Grandfather Owl began to cry.



A Little Red Hen  
 came walking by.  
 And she stopped.  
 "Why do you cry?" she said.  
 "Why do you cry?"  
 "My nightcap is gone,"  
 said Grandfather Owl.  
 "My head is cold.  
 So I cry."  
 "Why cry?" said the Hen.  
 "Maybe I can find it."  
 And the Hen began to look.



She looked over the hill.

She looked under the tree.

But the nightcap, the nightcap,

She did not see.

The North Wind began to blow.

The North Wind began to laugh.



A Big, Green Rooster  
came walking by.

And he stopped.

“Why do you cry?” he said.

“Why do you cry?”

“I have lost my nightcap,”  
said Grandfather Owl.

“My head is cold.  
So I cry.”

“Why cry?” said the Rooster.

“Why cry?”

Maybe I can find it for you.”

And the Big, Green Rooster  
began to look.



He looked down in the grass.

He looked up in the tree.

But the nightcap, the nightcap,

He did not see.

“Blow, blow, blow!”

went the Wind again.

And he laughed.

A Bird came by  
with a hop, hop, hop,  
and he stopped.

“Grandfather Owl!” he said.

“Why do you cry?”

“My nightcap is gone,”  
said Grandfather Owl.

“My head is cold.

So I cry.”

“Why cry?” said the Bird.

“Why cry?

Maybe I can help.

Maybe I can find it for you.”

And the Bird began to look  
with a hop, hop, hop.





He looked down in the flowers,  
 Around in the tree,  
 But the nightcap, the nightcap,  
 He did not see.

“Blow, blow, blow!” went the Wind.  
 And he laughed and laughed  
 and laughed.



The Big, Yellow Sun came out.  
 “Now, now, now!” said the Sun.

“Grandfather Owl,  
 why do you cry?”

“My head is cold,” the old Owl said.

“I want my nightcap  
 and it is lost.

I tied it on  
 with a one, two, three.

I put my hand up to my head,  
 and my nightcap was gone.”

The Big, Yellow Sun began to laugh.



“Now, Grandfather Owl!”

said the Sun.

“Your cap is not lost.

You tied your cap on

with a one, two, three.

The Wind gave a blow

and away went the cap.

It is there on your back!

It is there on your back.”

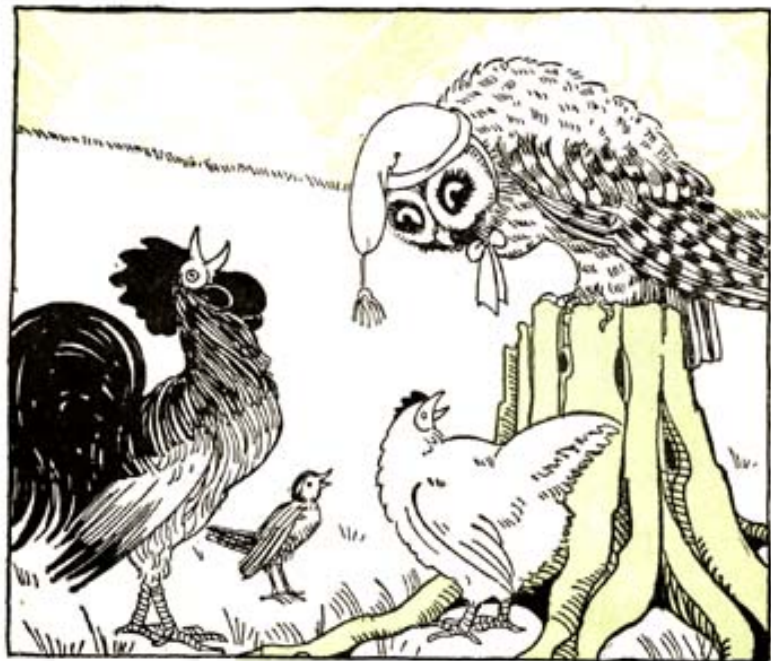
Grandfather Owl looked.

“Why, there it is on my back!”

he said.

And he put the cap back

on his head.



The Little, Red Hen

began to laugh.

The Big, Green Rooster

began to laugh.

So did the Wind and the Sun

and the Bird.

And Grandfather Owl laughed, too.



“Good-bye, Grandfather Owl!”  
said the Rooster.

“Good-day, Grandfather Owl!”  
said the Hen.

“Good-night, Grandfather Owl!”  
said the Bird.

One, two, three!

They all were gone,  
And the Owl was asleep  
With his nightcap on.



## Pat Goes to Live in the Woods

One day Betty said,

“Pat, you are a big squirrel.

Do you want

to go back to the woods?

Do you want to eat nuts

under a tree?

Do you want to run around

in the woods?

We are going there now

in the car.

You are going, too, Pat.”



When they came to the woods,  
they all got out.

There were Grandma and Grandpa,  
and Fluff and Bing,  
and Betty and Billy,  
and Pat in his box.

Grandpa put the box under a tree.

Grandma said,

“Pat, you will like it here.

This was your home.

Grandpa found you here.

You will be happy

in your home.

We shall not cry

when you are gone.

We know you will have

a good time.”



Billy let Pat out of the box.

Pat looked all around.

He looked up,

and he looked down.

And he ran straight to Billy.

He went up Billy's leg

and up Billy's arm.

“Oh, Pat!” said Billy.

“I wish you would stay with me!

I wish you would stay with me!”



Grandpa had some nuts  
 in his pockets.  
 He put them under a tree.  
 A big, brown squirrel  
 came down the tree.  
 He looked at Grandpa.  
 He looked at the nuts.  
 He began to eat the nuts.  
 He ate the nuts  
 with his two little hands.

“Come on, Pat!” said Grandpa.  
 “Help the squirrel eat the nuts!”

Pat looked at the squirrel.  
 He ran down Billy’s arm  
 and down Billy’s leg.  
 He ran straight to the squirrel.  
 He wiggled his nose  
 at the squirrel.  
 The squirrel wiggled his nose  
 back at Pat.  
 They began to eat the nuts,  
 And soon they ran away.

“Good-bye, Pat!” said Betty.  
 “I love you,  
 but I shall not cry.  
 You will have a good time.”

"Good-bye, Pat!" said Billy.

"I wish you would stay  
and live with me.

But I shall not cry,  
for you will have fun  
in the woods."

"Maybe he will find his Mother,"  
said Betty.

"Maybe he will find his Father,"  
said Billy.

"Maybe he will," said Grandma.

And maybe he did.



## To the Teacher

*Having Fun* contains 289 different words including (the more difficult) forms of the same word. This reading vocabulary is based upon the *Gates List* of primary words having composite claims to be taught first. The relative positions that the words in this book occupy upon the *Gates List* are definitely indicated by figures adjacent to the words in the following list.

In general, the *Having Fun* Vocabulary may be classified as follows:

217 words, among the first 300 on the *Gates List*.

235 words, among the first 400 on the *Gates List*.

250 words, among the first 500 on the *Gates List*.

22 words, listed above first 500 on the *Gates List*.

17 words, not found upon the *Gates List*, but needed for proper names, story interest, and dramatic values.

The entire word content including titles of stories is approximately 6074. With a vocabulary of 289 different words, this gives 21+ for the average repetition per word.

In checking the vocabulary of this book with the *E. L. Thorndike List* as given in *The Teacher's Word Book*, the following classification results:

200 words, among the first 500 on the Thorndike List.

40 words, among the second 500 on the Thorndike List.

40 words, found above first 1000 on the Thorndike List.

9 words, not appearing on the Thorndike List.

The words in the following vocabulary of *Having Fun* are marked also according to the system used in *The Teacher's Word Book*. Those from the first 500 are indicated by 1 A; those from the second 500, by 1 B. Those from the second 1000, 2 A and 2 B, and so on.

Within the first 500 words there is a further distinction into hundreds, 1 A 1 meaning that the word is one of the first 100; 1 A 2 meaning that it is in the second 100; 1 A 3, that it is in the third 100; 1 A 4 that it is in the fourth 100; 1 A 5 that it is in the fifth 100.

Those words that have a credit number of 3 alone and 6 alone belong among the words listed under the 3000's and the 6000's respectively in the Thorndike List.

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Thorndike	Gates	Thorndike	Gates	Thorndike	Gates
		1		2	
		Betty		Billy	
1 A 1	3	1 A 2	26	1 A 2	white
1 A 1	90	3		4	Bunny
1 A 1	138	Fluff		1 A 4	big
1 A 3	57	2 A	165	2 B	rabbit
1 A 1	95	1 A 3	53	1 B	brown
				3 — Cont.	
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Thorndike	Gates	Thorndike	Gates	Thorndike	Gates
5		12 — Cont.		21 — Cont.	
Bing		1 A 1 for	15	3 B pat	730
1 B dog	75	1 B cake	164	1 A 1 we	21
1 A 1 he	7	13		1 A 1 go	19
1 A 1 and	174	1 A 1 in	5	22	
6		1 A box	225	1 A 1 had	40
Squealer		4 meow		1 A 4 train	190
2 A pig	243	1 A 4 sleep	169	2 B doll	289
1 A 1 likes	85	14		23	
1 A 1 to	4	1 B ran	284	1 A 5 fast	144
1 A 1 have	38	1 A 1 into	135	1 A 1 my	25
2 A fun	291	bow wow	666	24	
7		1 A 2 I	12	1 A 5 sing	109
1 A 1 her	35	1 A 3 want	154	25	
1 A 2 too	194	1 A 2 away	107	1 A 5 ride	210
1 B fat	569	15		1 A 1 on	8
8		1 A 1 one	12	26	
Billy's		1 A 3 morning	196	1 A 3 stopped	67
1 A 1 his	33	3 A wee	578	1 A 1 out	81
3 A funny	314	1 A 4 am	54	4 A Grandma	347
1 A 1 thing	443	16		4 A Grandpa	400
9		1 A 2 looked	90	1 B car	228
1 A 3 play	36	1 A 1 but	206	1 A 5 blue	148
1 B jumps	229	1 A 1 not	74	1 B jump	229
squeals		17		27	
1 A 1 they	51	1 A 1 can	130	1 B chair	218
1 A 1 all	17	1 A 2 find	167	1 A 4 red	49
1 A 2 run	40	1 A 5 lost	608	1 A 1 them	61
10		1 A 1 will	276	28	
1 A 2 said	145	1 A 2 look	90	1 A 3 horse	114
1 A 1 come	29	18		1 B cows	171
1 A 1 you	6	1 A 1 here	184	2 A pigs	243
1 A 2 house	73	1 A 1 there	219	2 A hens	268
1 A 2 did	65	19		1 A 1 see	18
11		1 A 1 him	55	29	
1 A 1 was	77	20		1 A 2 give	43
1 A 1 the	1	1 A 2 under	159	1 A 1 some	274
1 A 2 father	68	1 A 4 table	149	1 A 5 eggs	124
1 A 3 mother	44	1 A 4 went	136	1 A 5 milk	88
1 B baby	84	1 A 1 good	187	squeal	
12		21		30	
1 A 3 made	48	1 A 5 raining	180	1 A 1 know	499
1 A 1 it	22	1 A 5 rain	180	1 A 5 story	147

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30 — Cont.		40		53 — Cont.	
1 A 5 birds	121	1 A 1 at	20	1 A 2 showed	231
1 A 1 me	23	1 A 3 door	113	54	
31		1 A 5 Miss	198	1 A 4 bear	150
1 A 2 gives	43	41		1 A 4 woods	294
1 A 5 rides	209	1 A 2 tell	395	1 B bees	446
32		1 A 1 of	24	3 A squirrel	461
1 A 2 soon	189	1 B cup	299	55	
1 A 1 be	16	1 A 5 picture	281	2 A honey	1377
1 A 4 six	93	42		2 A nuts	282
1 B party	336	1 B chairs	218	56	
33		1 A 4 tables	149	1 B began	978
1 A 1 when	127	43		moo	
1 A 1 are	34	3 A hopped	385	57	
34		3 A toes	642	1 A 4 wind	216
1 A 1 two	32	1 A 2 lived	257	1 A 3 bring	161
1 A 2 came	118	1 A 2 tree	69	1 A 2 us	59
1 A 4 happy	512	44		1 A 1 now	104
2 B birthday	375	3 A hop	385	58	
1 A 2 book	83	1 A 1 up	46	1 B cups	299
1 A 5 ball	132	1 A 2 down	211	1 A 1 were	142
35		45		1 A 3 around	258
1 A 3 played	36	1 A 2 live	257	1 A 1 so	240
1 A 1 with	272	1 A 1 way	155	59	
36		1 A 1 what	91	1 A 5 pretty	249
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cream	434	46		1 A 1 day	37
2 B candles	1105	wiggle		61	
1 A 2 cut	293	1 B nose	494	1 A 2 four	58
1 A 4 children	193	1 A 1 goes	458	1 A 5 feet	191
2 B ate	262	1 A 2 get	31	63	
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1 A 1 time	140	1 B grass	239	1 A 2 let	172
1 A 2 home	47	49		1 B outside	1094
38		1 A 2 water	60	64	
1 A 3 school	125	50		1 A 2 shall	163
3 B good-bye	361	1 A 1 man	28	1 A 2 name	100
39		1 A 4 fill	359	1 A 4 cat	50
1 B going	309	1 A 4 filled	359	65	
1 A 1 over	110	51		1 A 1 things	443
1 A 4 hill	175	1 A 4 gave	115	66	
1 A 2 show	231	53		1 B leg	278
		wiggled		1 A 3 arm	275

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1 A 3 does	151	79		1 A 2 back	141
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1 A 4 sit	126	1 B tie	405	1 A 1 that	98
1 A 2 has	56	5 B socks		95	
68		80		1 A 3 wish	92
1 A 2 open	259	1 B bell	244	1 A 1 would	195
2 A pockets	899	2 B candy	386	100	
1 A 5 got	192	81		1 A 1 make	11
69		1 A 1 who	62	101	
1 B Christmas	221	1 A 3 wants	154	1 A 3 wishing	92
2 B drum	373	1 A 3 help	103	1 A 5 laugh	436
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1 A 5 apples	179	1 A 3 walk	226	1 A 5 blow	597
1 B yellow	304	91		107	
76		1 A 2 lives	257	5 B rooster	508
1 A 5 hair	301	1 A 3 cold	106	111	
1 A 2 put	168	1 A 4 north	1156	1 B tied	787
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