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Parent's Introduction

WE BOTH READ

Whether your child is a beginning reader, a reluctant reader, or an eager reader, this book offers a fun and easy way to encourage and help your child in reading.

Developed with reading education specialists, **We Both Read** books invite you and your child to take turns reading aloud. You read the left-hand pages of the book, and your child reads the right-hand pages—which have been written at one of six early reading levels. The result is a wonderful new reading experience and faster reading development!

You may find it helpful to read the entire book aloud yourself the first time, then invite your child to participate the second time. As you read, try to make the story come alive by reading with expression. This will help to model good fluency. It will also be helpful to stop at various points to discuss what you are reading. This will help increase your child's understanding of what is being read.

In some books, a few challenging words are introduced in the parent's text with **bold** lettering. Pointing out and discussing these words can help to build your child's reading vocabulary. If your child is a beginning reader, it may be helpful to run a finger under the text as each of you reads. To help show whose turn it is, a round dot • comes before text for you to read, and a star shape ★ comes before text for your child to read.



If your child struggles with a word, you can encourage "sounding it out," but keep in mind that not all words can be sounded out. Your child might pick up clues about a word from the picture, other words in the sentence, or any rhyming patterns. If your child struggles with a word for more than five seconds, it is usually best to simply say the word.

Most of all, remember to praise your child's efforts and keep the reading fun. At the end of the book, there is a glossary of words, as well as some questions you can discuss. Rereading this book multiple times may also be helpful for your child.

Try to keep the tips above in mind as you read together, but don't worry about doing everything right. Simply sharing the enjoyment of reading together will increase your child's reading skills and help to start your child off on a lifetime of reading enjoyment!

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A We Both Read® Book: Level K–1 Guided Reading: Level C

To my parents, who shared a love for reading

— В. Ј.

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The

Family Engagement in Reading



 Do you have a dog? Do you know someone who has a dog? People all over the world have dogs. Many people think...



... dogs are the best!



• Why are dogs so popular?

It might be because they are smart and playful. They can also be **good** at helping people.



★ Dogs make **good** pets.



 Dogs come in all shapes and sizes. Some are short. Some are long. Some are small.

• Saint Bernard & toy terrier puppy

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Ibizan hound & smooth fox terrier



*** Some** are BIG.



Certain kinds of dogs have long hair.
Others have short hair. There are dogs with curly hair and dogs with straight hair.





This dog has no hair!



 Many different types of dogs may be entered in a dog show. The highest honor a dog can win at a dog show is called "Best in Show."

Did this dog win?



 No matter the size and shape, dogs can make great family pets. Good family dogs are friendly and fun. They like kids. They have lots of personality!



They like to play. They like to have fun!

