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# CODE READER™

## Making Difficult Words Easy

Code Reader Books provide codes with “sound keys” to help read difficult words. For example, a word that may be difficult to read is “unicorn,” so it might be followed by a code like this: unicorn (*YOO-nih-korn*). By providing codes with phonetic sound keys, Code Reader Books make reading easier and more enjoyable.

### Examples of Code Reader™ Keys

Long a sound (as in make):

**a** (*with a silent e*) or **ay**

Examples: able (*AY-bul*); break (*brake*)

Short i sound (as in sit): **i** or **ih**

Examples: myth (*mith*); mission (*MIH-shun*)

Long i sound (as in by):

**i** (*with a silent e*) or **y**

Examples: might (*mite*); bicycle (*BY-sih-kul*)

Keys for the long o sound (as in hope):

**o** (*with a silent e*) or **oh**

Examples: molten (*MOLE-ten*); ocean (*OH-shen*)

**Codes use dashes between syllables (*SIH-luh-buls*),  
and stressed syllables have capital letters.**

For more Code Reader sound keys, see pages 74 and 75.

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*To our parents. To our Fred.*  
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*To Cécile.*  
E.F.

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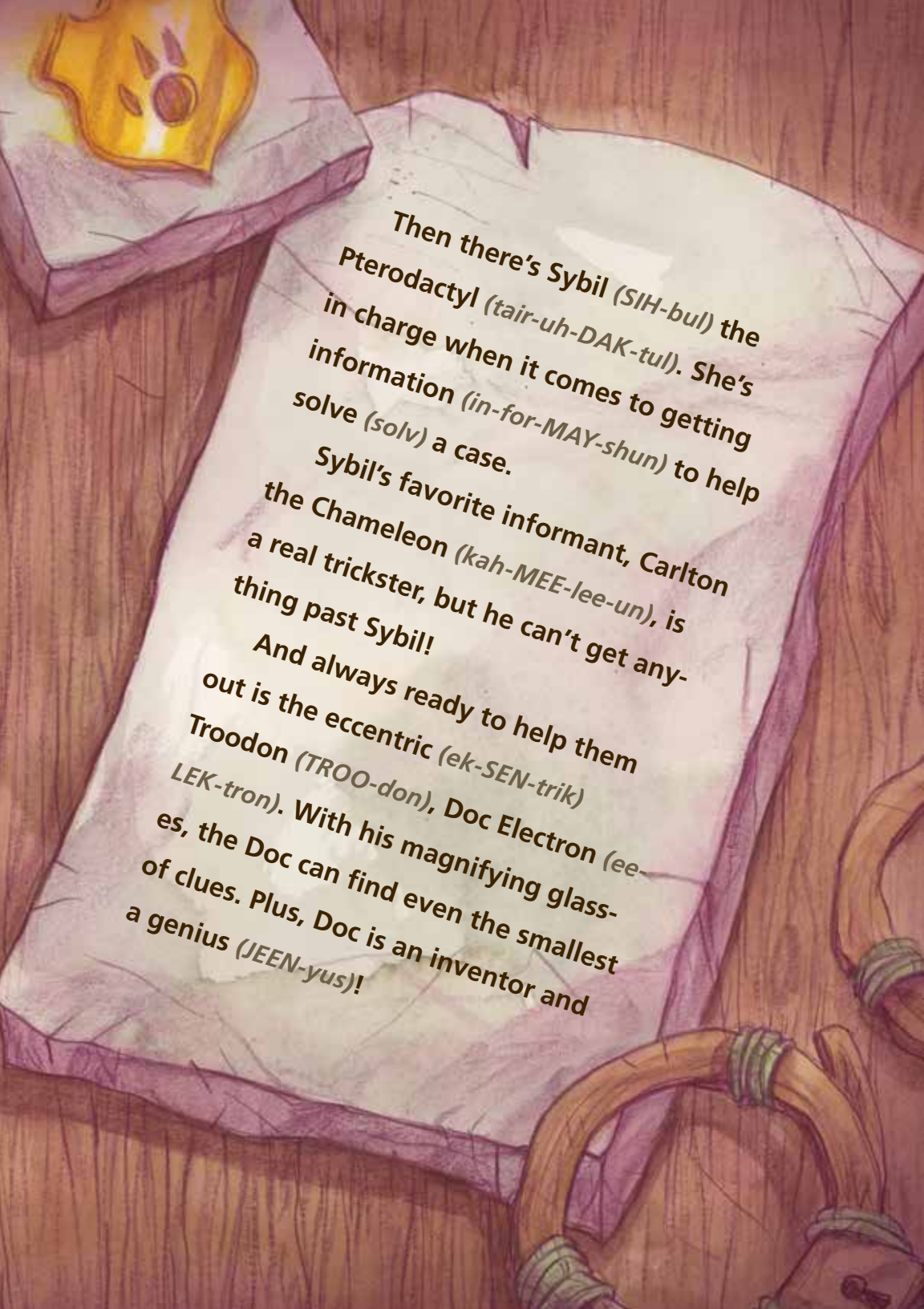


# PROLOG

(PRO-log)

There's always something exciting going on at the Dinosaur (DINE-uh-sore) Protection (pro-TEK-shun) Force. Detective Raptor (RAP-tur) is always ready to throw himself into a new case as soon as he hears Captain Smasher shout, "Raptor, report for duty (DOO-tee)!"

Bops the Triceratops (try-SARE-uh-tops) is one of Raptor's team members. His favorite activity is eating. Sandwiches, ferns, grass . . . he's not picky!



Then there's Sybil (*SIH-bul*) the Pterodactyl (*tair-uh-DAK-tul*). She's in charge when it comes to getting information (*in-for-MAY-shun*) to help solve (*solv*) a case.

Sybil's favorite informant, Carlton the Chameleon (*kah-MEE-lee-un*), is a real trickster, but he can't get anything past Sybil!

And always ready to help them out is the eccentric (*ek-SEN-trik*) Troodon (*TROO-don*), Doc Electron (*ee-LEK-tron*). With his magnifying glasses, the Doc can find even the smallest of clues. Plus, Doc is an inventor and a genius (*JEEN-yus*)!





## CHAPTER 1

# A Criminal with Connections

It was early morning and Detective (*dee-TEK-tiv*) Raptor's friend Bops was making Raptor grit his fangs in annoyance (*uh-NOY-ens*).

"No, no, no," Raptor said. "This isn't going to work."

"But I did my best," muttered Bops the Triceratops (*try-SARE-uh-tops*).

"The boss is right," Sybil (*SIB-bul*) whispered, stretching her wings. "This is ridiculous (*ree-DIK-yoo-lus*)."

"I don't get it—what did I do wrong?" Bops asked in surprise as he scratched his horn. "I've lined them all up behind the one-way mirror. The witness will be able (*AY-bul*) to identify the suspect from the safety of the other room."

Sybil nodded. "Yes. And they're all holding different numbers, which is great (*grate*). But don't you see the problem?"

"You're pulling my horn, right?" Bops said, grinning.



“No, Bops. You see, you’ve rounded up several dinos from around the station (*STAY-shun*) to be part of the line-up. But if you get police (*puh-LEES*) officers (*OFF-ih-surz*) to take part, the witness will—”

“Wait!” Bops interrupted. “How did you know they were police officers?”

“They’re all wearing (*WARE-ing*) police uniforms (*YOO-nih-formz*), Bops,” Sybil replied. “All of them except the real suspect.”



Bops eyes widened. "Ooooh, now I see the problem."

"Sybil, you handle this one," Detective Raptor said with a sigh (*sy*). "I'm going to calm (*com*) my nerves with a nice cup of earthworm (*URTH-wurm*) juice (*joos*)."

"All that work rounding up those police officers for nothing!" Bops complained. "I'm going to go and drown my sorrows with a bowl (*bole*) of ferns. Maybe even two, or three!"

**CRUNCH! MUNCH!**

Suddenly, Captain (*KAP-tin*) Smasher's office door opened with a CRASH, and their boss headed for the police station's main entrance (*EN-trens*). He was clearly in a rush.

"Raptor, report for duty!" he shouted as stomped.

"I'm all ears, boss."

Captain Smasher grinned. "I've got a very important assignment (*uh-SINE-ment*) for your team."

"Is it a new case?" Detective Raptor asked, rubbing his claws in excitement.

"Patience (*PAY-shens*), Raptor!" Smasher said, opening the main door of the station so hard that it broke off its hinges (*HIN-jiz*).

"I bet we're getting a visit (*VIZ-it*) from someone important," Sybil whispered. "Otherwise, the boss wouldn't be taking the time to personally (*PUR-suh-nul-lee*) welcome them like this."

"Another case of special (*SPESH-ul*) treatment!" Detective Raptor grumbled, gnashing (*NASH-ing*) his teeth. "It's not right!"

