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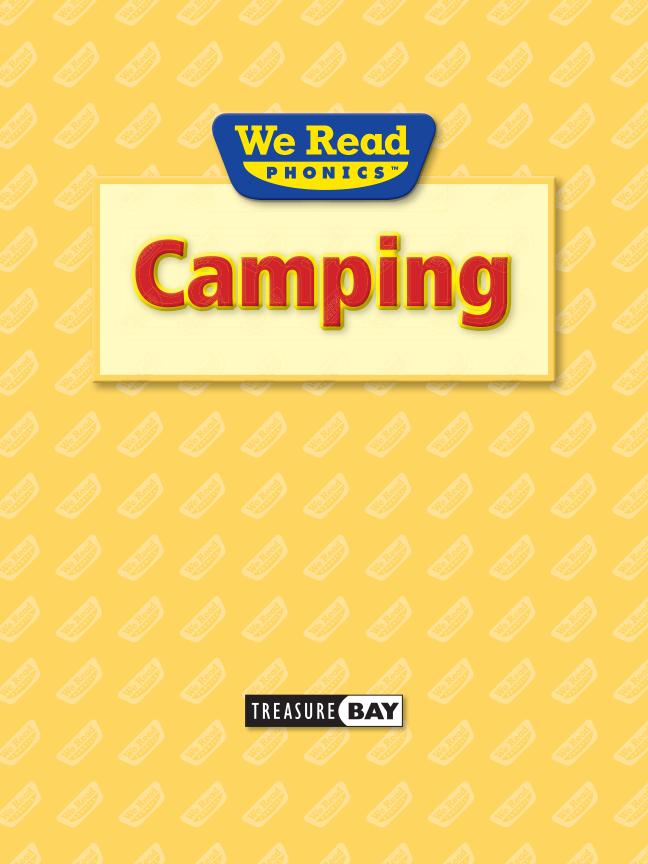
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Parent's Introduction

Welcome to **We Read Phonics**! This series is designed to help you assist your child in reading. Each book includes a story, as well as some simple word games to play with your child. The games focus on the phonics skills and high-frequency words your child will use in reading the story.

Here are some recommendations for using this book with your child:

Word Play

There are word games both before and after the story. Make these games fun and playful. If your child becomes bored or frustrated, play a different game or take a break.



Phonics is a method of sounding out words by blending together letter sounds. However, not all words can be "sounded out." Some words have letter and sound combinations that don't follow normal patterns in phonics.

Read the Story

After some word play, read the story aloud to your child—or read the story together, by reading aloud at the same time or by taking turns. As you and your child read, move your finger under the words.

Next, have your child read the entire story to you while you follow along with your finger under the words. If there is some difficulty with a word, either help your child to sound it out or wait about five seconds and then say the word.

3 Discuss and Read Again

After reading the story, talk about it with your child. Ask questions like, "What happened in the story?" and "What was the best part?" It will be helpful for your child to read this story to you several times. Another great way for your child to practice is by reading the book to a younger sibling, a pet, or even a stuffed animal!





Level 6 introduces words with "ey," "ie," and "y" with the long "e" sound (as in *key*, *chief*, and *sunny*), "oa," "oe," and "ow" with the long "o" sound (as in *boat*, *toe*, and *show*), and "ew" and "ue" with the long "u" sound (as in *crew* and *blue*). Also included are word endings -es, -ed, and -ly (as in *misses*, *started*, and *quickly*).

Camping

A We Read Phonics Book: Level 6 Guided Reading: Level F

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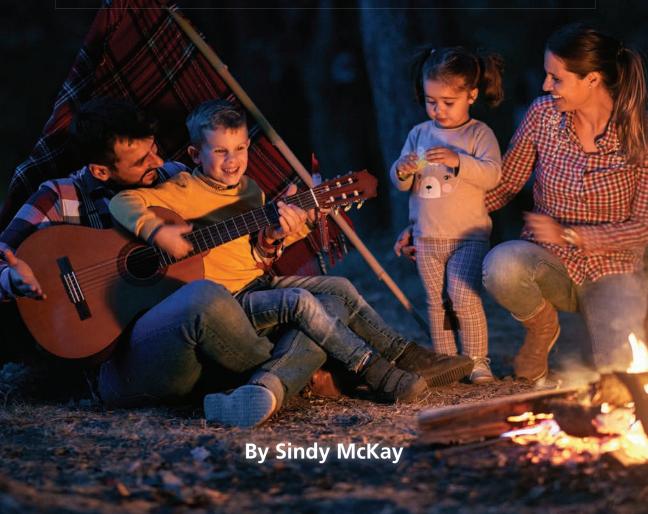
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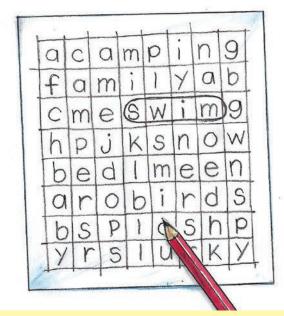




Phonics Game

Word Search

Rereading words from the story will help your child become more comfortable reading those words.



Materials:

Option 1—Fast and Easy: To print free game materials from your computer, go online to WeReadPhonics.com and click on "Select Titles to View & Print: Game Materials." Then go to this book title and print the game materials.

Option 2—Make Your Own: You'll need graph paper or a sheet of paper, marker and/or pencil, and a ruler. Use the graph paper or make a grid on a sheet of paper that is 8 squares across and 8 squares down. Write these letters on the first line, one letter per square:

Write these letters on the second line, one letter per square:

Continue with these letters on subsequent lines:

1 Try to find these words in the word search. Words can be across or down. Circle the words when you find them.

camping, campers, baby, bed, birds, family, lucky, snow, splash, swim



Memory

This is a fun way to practice recognizing some high-frequency words used in the story.

OK, now pick another card.



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Option 2—Make Your Own: You'll need 18 index cards and a marker. Write each word listed on the right on two cards. You will now have two sets of cards.

1 Using one set of cards, ask your child to repeat each word after you. Shuffle both decks of cards together, and place them face down in a grid pattern.

The first player turns over one card and says the word, then turns over a second card and says the word. If the cards match, the player takes those cards and continues to play. If they don't match, both cards are turned over, and it's the next player's turn. Play continues until all the cards have been picked up. The winner is the person with the most cards.

3 Keep the cards. You can make more cards with other We Read Phonics books and combine the cards for even bigger games!

blue

thing

many

only

yellow

very

could

even

your



Have you ever been camping in a tent? It can be lots of fun!



You can camp when it is sunny. The sky is blue, and a breeze may blow. It feels good to just rest in the sun.



You can camp when it is windy.
But tie your tent down tight.
This one blew away!



You can even camp in the snow! It is cold, but a good fire will heat things up.



One fun part of camping is what you get to eat. You can cook stew on the fire. Or you can roast hot dogs.



After a meal you may roast a marshmallow. Or you may roast a lot of marshmallows! Yummy!