crowded	older	study	look
baby	book	love	colder
though	wedding	circus	down
sixty	cooler	good	circle
higher	itches	weeding	water
tooth	crispy	walk	hurry
brown	teeth	camper	lighting
camped	warm	spout	took

### **Read the Story**

There are few *pleasures* as great as a good book. A good book will transport you to a new place. It can take you places you've never been.

You can be a knight, a spy, or a *movie* star. You can ride on a rocket ship or sail the seven seas. You can be a camper in the woods or the *pilot* of a plane.

A good book will teach you many new things.

What are you waiting for? Grab a good book and start reading!

mailing	cook	party	patch
once	planes	those	keeping
clown	pitches	COW	water
stood	frown	planning	hook
kept	though	foot	crown
colder	handy	tooth	found
every	mailed	flower	along
seated	wood	thought	shiny

# **Read the Story**

Ladies and *gentlemen!* Children of all ages! Welcome to the circus!

Thrill to the daring tricks on the high wire!

See the brave lion tamer enter a cage with the king of the jungle!

Laugh along with the crazy clowns squirting water!

Look at all of the beautiful ponies prancing in a circle.

Watch the acrobats show their amazing skills!

Get your peanuts, popcorn, and cotton candy!

Hurry, hurry, and don't be late! Come on in, everyone. It is the best show in town!

standing	age	shady	shook
warm	stitch	laugh	shaded
stopping	heard	ginger	large
house	flatter	cook	today
loud	people	switches	giraffe
pony	soaking	forty	purple
wash	now	full	how
floated	cages	proud	crook

## **Read the Story**

George was a grumpy giant who lived in a large, smelly castle. George didn't like his smelly castle, so he went to town.

The town heard him coming because he shook the ground with his huge feet.

Babies cried. Dogs and cats howled. There was a town meeting to decide what to do.

The next day all of the townspeople went to George's castle. They *brought* mops and pails of water. They cleaned the castle top to *bottom*.

George was no longer grumpy. He liked staying home in his clean castle.

patch	dropping	often	wood
book	age	city	stage
drooping	though	pages	our
penny	cooking	hood	water
heard	brook	count	strange
cooling	muddy	money	hook
out	along	smoother	only
brighter	match	change	quickest

### **Read the Story**

Giraffes are the tallest animals living on land. They have long necks and spotted coats.

Male giraffes can weigh almost 3,000 pounds and be 19 feet tall. Female giraffes are around 16 feet tall and can weigh over 2,000 pounds.

Giraffes do not eat meat. Their long necks help them eat leaves on the highest branches. They can go for a few days without water.

Giraffes in the wild travel in large herds and live in Africa. They can live to be 25 years old.

taking	round	laugh	catch
barge	water	hook	empty
crazy	stained	stood	around
heard	sound	lady	bridges
stacked	gem	warm	shout
shook	tower	latches	hood
early	pledge	ground	along
steaming	lazy	germ	town

### **Read the Story**

"Please don't touch my loose tooth," said Beth. "It will hurt."

"Let me just look around a little," said Dr. Jones, the dentist.

"Do you brush your teeth often?"

"I brush my teeth at least twice a day," said Beth.

"Good job, Beth!" said Dr. Jones. "Do you floss?"

"I floss my teeth every day," said Beth.

"Good job, Beth!" said Dr. Jones. "You can go."

"What about my loose tooth?" asked Beth.

"I *already* pulled it out," said Dr. Jones, holding up Beth's tooth.

"Good job, Dr. Jones!" said Beth.

patches	drinking	saw	laugh
story	photograph	blinking	driving
blanks	wash	anything	stormy
wrapper	fifty	ball	pennies
nothing	also	panic	matches
taping	greedy	heard	those
cries	stories	sturdy	wrapping
satin	danger	bridge	all

### **Read the Story**

It was picture day at school. The second grade class lined up on bleachers. Then Katy got the giggles. Soon all the second graders were giggling and laughing. Nothing the photographer did could make them stop. Then he had an idea.

"I want everyone to give me a silly face," he said.

Everyone made a very silly face.

"Now," he said, "All of you give me a nice smile."

Two weeks later the photographs came back. Everyone agreed the silly photograph was the best!

coldest	softest	book	bumper
charges	call	soapy	fall
anything	satin	danger	dolphin
dried	every	draw	done
shouldn't	dirty	good	small
warm	softer	buddies	dirty
look	always	woman	along
haven't	change	bumped	took

## **Read the Story**

I love to go to the *movies* with my friends. We like to go on Sunday afternoon.

We get our tickets at the ticket booth. Then we get salted popcorn, cold drinks, and candies. I like *chocolate* malt balls. We take plenty of napkins!

We like to sit in the row closest to the screen. Last week, we saw a movie about a dolphin. He was in danger and his buddies saved him. It was a good movie.

We can't wait until next Sunday afternoon!

shaker	robin	large	water
punish	work	candies	river
shack	cried	done	stood
nothing	fighter	page	crawl
locker	shake	crying	huge
drawn	thickest	though	full
emptied	word	shaking	strongest
longer	shook	shopper	laundry

### **Read the Story**

"We're out of laundry soap," said Mom. "Danny, please ride your bike to the store and get some soap."

Danny rode his bike to the store and went inside. He found the soap and went to the counter to pay.

"That will be \$4.78, please," said the clerk.

Danny reached in his pocket, but there was no money. He started to panic. *Suddenly* he *remembered* he'd put the money in his *shoe* so it wouldn't get lost!

Danny paid for the soap and took it to his mom.

babies	thirsty	wishing	cities
scratch	sauce	woman	world
anything	neater	flies	hood
scrape	today	thirty	money
wooden	filed	worst	malt
gentle	salt	around	stage
filled	nesting	switching	launch
scraps	worth	hook	thicker

# **Read the Story**

You can tell a robin by its reddish *orange* chest. Male birds are more *colorful* than females.

When robins sing, it sounds like a *whistle*. They like to sing in the morning and late afternoon.

A female robin does her nesting up high where it will be safe. The nest is about 4 to 6 inches wide. Robin's eggs are light blue and are about the size of a quarter. Baby robins cannot fly until they are bigger.

Robins like to eat berries, worms, and insects.

camper	scares	shady	wouldn't
anything	ladies	worship	woman
scars	charge	scared	shaded
shape	done	overlook	snowball
germ	tired	change	shiny
often	mall	early	nothing
tried	broken	shade	haul
brook	gem	faucet	hurried

### Read the Story

Our scout troop went camping in the woods. We set up our tents. We hauled water from the brook for cooking and cleaning.

When we were done, we built a big fire. We roasted hot dogs and marshmallows. We were telling ghost stories when we heard a strange noise.

"I don't think there is anything to be scared of," said our scout leader.

Just then, a skunk hurried out of the woods. That was the end of our camping trip!