

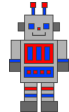
Kailer Is In This Story



Played

Sam and his friends played. They played with a ball. They played in the sand. They played with a dog. They went down the slide. They had a great time.

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Robot

"Can I have a robot?" said Cody.
"A robot could play games with me."
"A robot could read books to me."
"A robot would be neat."

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Saw a Cat Look

"I saw a cat look at a bird. I saw the bird look at the cat," said Sam.
"I don't know what they could have been thinking. Cats and birds are usually not friends."

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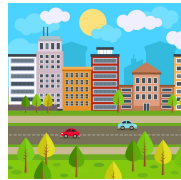


Airplane

"When I get older, I want to learn how to fly an airplane," said Sam.
"I will fly it up into the sky and look down on the world. It will be so fun."

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Cody Went to a City



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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

Fiction



Falling Star

One night Cody was outside with his dad.
"Help, help!" they heard from up in the sky.
"Look, Dad. A star is falling," said Cody.

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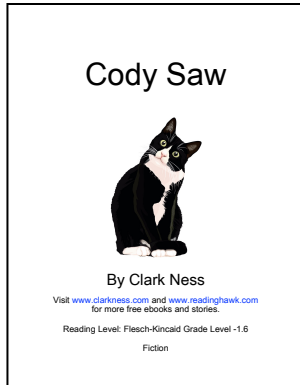
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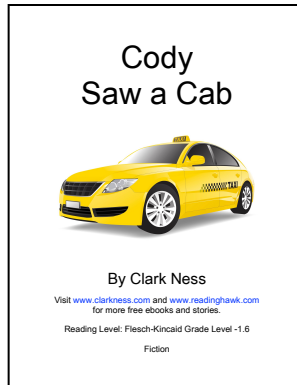
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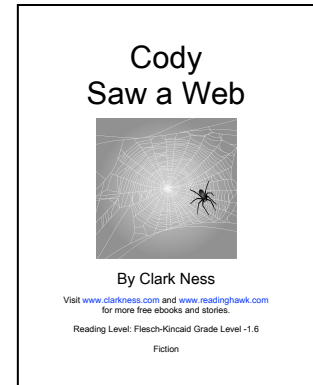
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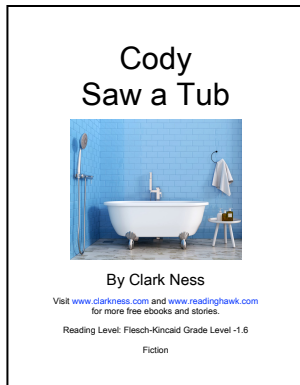
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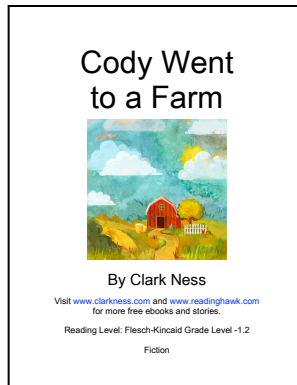
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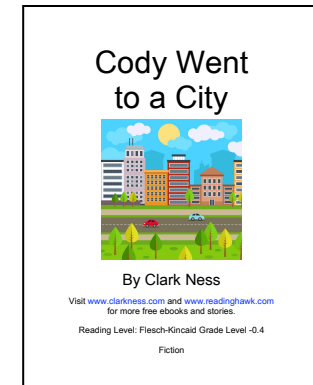
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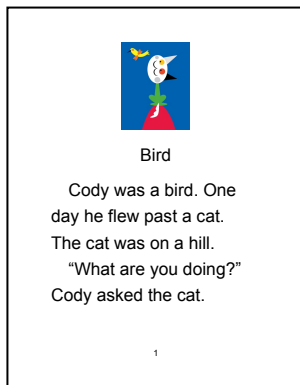


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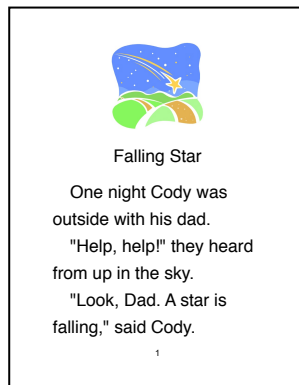


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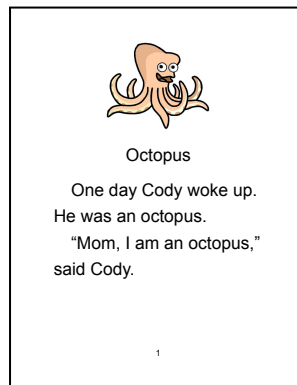
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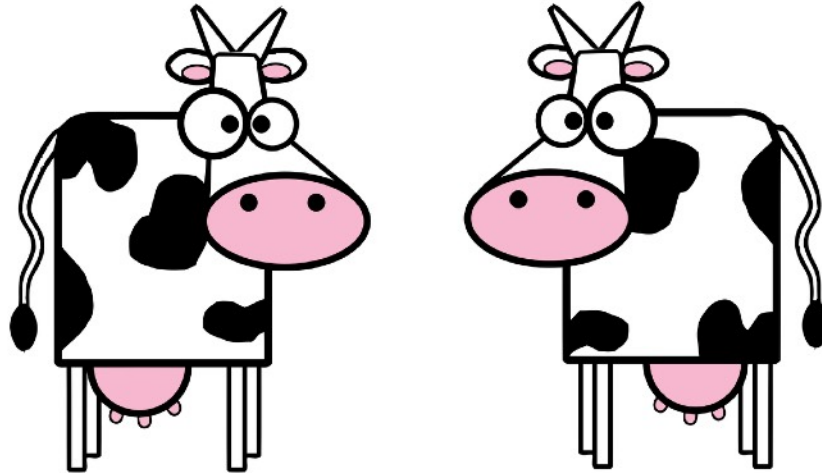
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They had a great time.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.8

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Two Cows

“I saw two cows,” said Kailer.

“The two cows saw me. I like these two cows. I hope the two cows like me.”

“Moo,” said the two COWS.

“Moo,” said Kailer.

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Race

Kailer likes to race. One day he was in a race. He ran and ran. He ran fast. Kailer won the race. He was happy.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.7

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Saw a Cat

“I saw a cat,” said Kailer.

“I wish I was a cat. I could run fast. I could climb trees.”

“It would be neat to be a cat,” he said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.5

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Out of the Water

Kailer was a fish. One day he swam fast. He went so fast that he jumped out of the water.

He went up high. He could see far and wide. He had fun.

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Fox

Kailer went for a walk and met a fox.

“How do you do?” said Kailer to the fox.

“I do very well, thank you. It is a nice day for a walk, isn't it?” said the fox.

“Yes, it is,” said Kailer.

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Crocodile

One day Kailer woke up.
He was a crocodile. He
went to school. He scared
his teacher.

His friends thought he
looked cool.

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Singing Flower

Kailer is a flower. He loves to sing. He is a singing flower. He sings and sings.

Kailer thinks that singing is fun.

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Christmas Tree

Kailer helped with the Christmas tree. He put candy canes on it. He put balls on it.

His dog helped too. The tree looked great.

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Read a Book

“I think I will read a book,” said Kailer. Soon he was done.

“I think I will read some more,” said Kailer.

Soon he was done reading seven books.

“That was fun,” said Kailer.

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Ice Cream Truck

“I hear the ice cream truck coming,” said Kailer.

“I hope it stops by my home.”

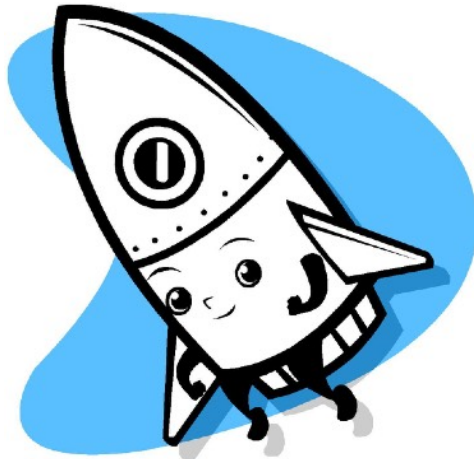
“I want to buy an ice cream treat.”

“It will taste so good.”

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Rocket

“I want to be a rocket,”
said Kailer.

Poof! He was a rocket.
Whoosh! He flew up into
the sky and went to the
moon.

“Now that was fun,” said
Kailer.

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Surfing Dog

Kailer is a cool dog. He has a surf board. He loves to go to the beach with his surf board. He goes surfing at the beach.

Kailer thinks surfing is cool.

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Cat Lover

Kailer is a cat lover. He loves cats. He loves big cats.

Kailer loves little cats. He loves pretty cats. He loves ugly cats. Kailer loves all cats.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.5

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Dog Lover

Kailer is a dog lover. He loves dogs. He loves big dogs.

Kailer loves little dogs. He loves pretty dogs. He loves ugly dogs. Kailer loves all dogs.

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Fly to School

One day Kailer said, “I think I will fly to school today.”

He put on his flying suit. He flew to school.

“Wow! You flew to school,” said his teacher.

“It was easy,” said Kailer.

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Happy Cat

“Can you see me?” said
Kailer.

“I am a cat.”

“I am a happy cat.”

“I am Kailer the happy
cat,” said Kailer.

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Happy Dog

“Can you see me?” said
Kailer.

“I am a dog.”

“I am a happy dog.”

“I am Kailer the happy
dog,” said Kailer.

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Rhino

Kailer is a rhino. He likes to play soccer. He can kick the ball. He can score a goal.

Kailer likes being a rhino.

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A Deer

Kailer went for a walk. He was very quiet. He looked.

He saw a baby deer. It had spots on its back.

Kailer was glad that he saw a baby deer.

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Pet Dragon

“I want a pet dragon,”
said Kailer.

“It could play with me.”

“It could read books to
me.”

“A pet dragon would be
neat,” said Kailer.

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Owl

Kailer went for a walk
and saw an owl.

It sat up in a tree.

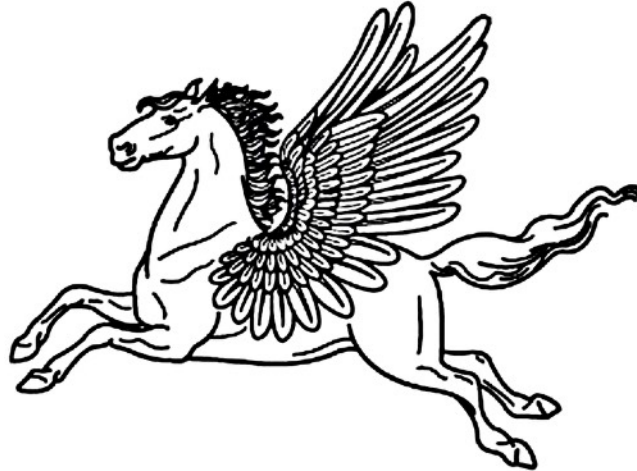
The owl said, “*Whoo,
whoo, who, who.*”

“I think that owl just said
hello to me,” said Kailer.

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Horse With Wings

One day Kailer became
a horse with wings.

He flew to his school.
Kailer took each of his
friends for a ride up into
the sky.

They all had fun.

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Astronaut

“I want to be an astronaut,” said Kailer.

“I want to go out in space.”

“It would be neat to go to the Moon.”

“It would be neat to go to Mars.”

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Happy Turtle

This is Kailer. He is a happy turtle. He likes to run.

“I am a happy turtle. I like to run,” said Kailer.

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Giraffe

“I am a giraffe,” said Kailer.

“I like to go on hikes.”

“I wear a hat. I take a pack.”

“I use a walking stick.”

“It is neat to be a giraffe,” said Kailer.

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Bubbles

Kailer made bubbles.

Some bubbles were big.

Some bubbles were small.

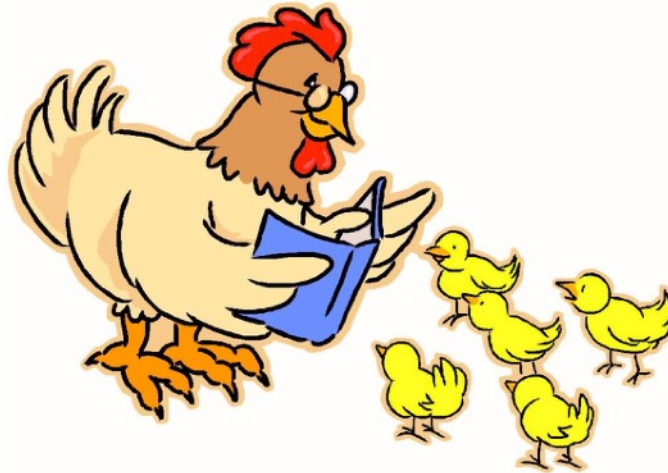
Kailer made a lot of
bubbles. He had fun.

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Chicken

“I saw a chicken,” said Kailer.

“She wore glasses and had a book.”

“She was reading to her chicks.”

“I wonder if all chickens can read?” said Kailer.

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Horses

Kailer saw two horses.
One horse was brown.
One horse was white. The
horses were big.

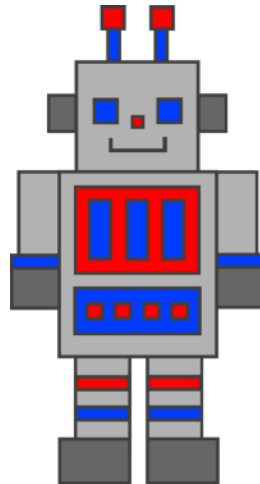
Kailer liked seeing the
horses.

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Robot

“Can I have a robot?”
said Kailer.

“A robot could play
games with me. A robot
could read books to me.
A robot would be neat.”

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Sheep

“I saw a sheep near my home,” said Kailer.

“It was knitting a sock.”

“I told the sheep that it was a nice sock.”

“The sheep smiled and kept on knitting,” said Kailer.

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Snow Skiing

“I want to go snow skiing,” said Kailer.

“It would be so much fun.”

“I would be out in the nice cold snow.”

“I could go fast.”

“Snow skiing would be a blast,” he said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.1

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Rabbit

“I want to be a rabbit,”
said Kailer.

“I would have two long
ears.”

“I could hop and hop.”

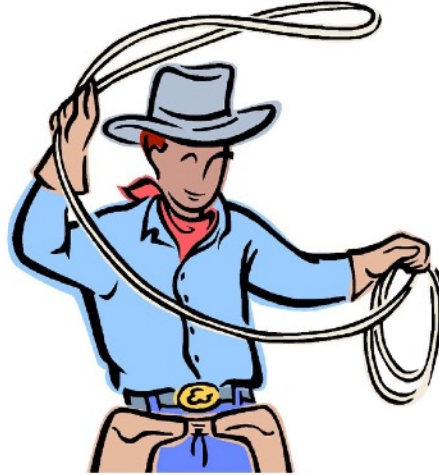
“I would even like to eat
carrots,” said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.2

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Cowboy

“I am going to be a cowboy,” said Kailer.

“I will have a rope.”

“I will ride a horse.”

“I will herd my cattle.”

“It will be neat to be a cowboy,” said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.3

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Bear

Kailer went for a walk and met a happy bear.

The bear wore boots, mittens, and a stocking hat.

“It must be a cold day,” said Kailer.

“Yes, it is,” said the bear.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.5

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Soccer Ball

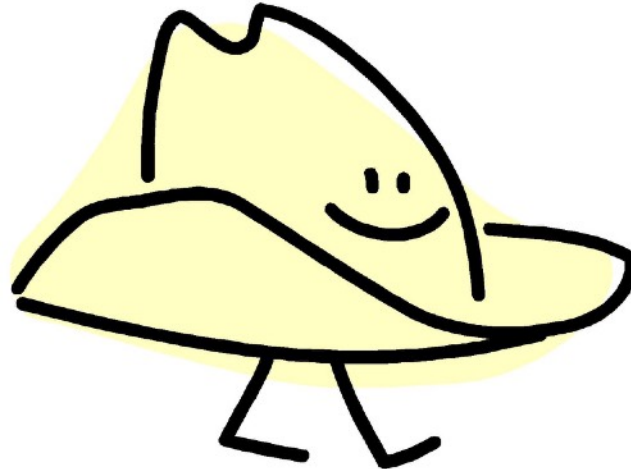
Kailer has a soccer ball.
He plays soccer with it
every day.

“I love playing soccer. It
is a great sport. Soccer is
fun,” said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.5

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Hat

Kailer saw a hat walk by.
“Where are you going?”
asked Kailer.

“I am going to a cattle
ranch,” said the hat.

“I want a cowboy to find
me so that I can become a
real cowboy hat.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.7

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Rat

One day Kailer saw a rat.

“That rat is on a skateboard,” said Kailer.

“I love to go on my skateboard,” said the rat.

“Hope you have fun,” said Kailer.

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Safari

“I went to Africa,” said Kailer.

“I went on a safari.”

“We drove out in a jeep and saw a rhino.”

“It was so neat.”

“I took a lot of pictures.”

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I Have a Pencil

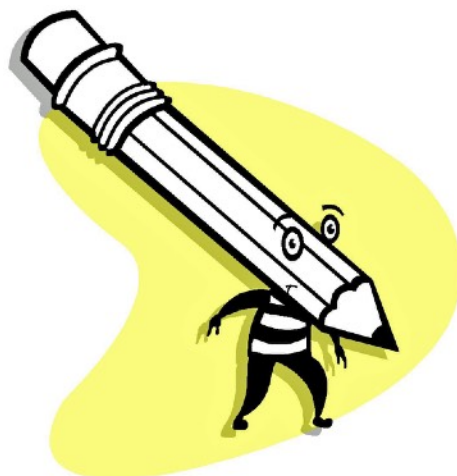
“I have a pencil,” said Kailer. “I use it every day. I write stories with it. I answer questions. I solve math problems.”

“My pencil is a great tool to have.”

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Pencil

One day Kailer woke up.
He was a pencil.

“I think I will write a
story,” said Kailer. He
wrote a story. It was about
being a pencil.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Pink Elephant

“I saw a pink elephant,”
said Kailer. “It had a green
balloon and wore a yellow
hat.”

“There was a bird sitting
on its back. I wonder
where it was going?” said
Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Saw a Cat Look

“I saw a cat look at a bird. I saw the bird look at the cat,” said Kailer.

“I don’t know what they could have been thinking. Cats and birds are usually not friends.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Snake

“I think I would like to be a snake,” said Kailer.

“It would be fun to slither along the ground.”

“I would hunt for food and have a good life.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Elephant

“I went to a pet shop,”
said Kailer.

“I got a nice elephant. I
took my elephant home.”

“Mom said it was too big
for me to keep.”

“So I took the elephant
back,” said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Monsters

“I saw three monsters today,” said Kailer.

“They were happy monsters going for a walk.”

“I wonder where they were going?” said Kailer.

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Pet Shop

“I am going to go to a pet shop,” said Kailer.

“I will see all kinds of animals there.”

“I will see fish, cats, dogs, mice, and birds.”

“It will be fun to go to a pet shop,” said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Singing Apples

“I went to the store. I saw some apples. Three of the apples jumped up and sang a song to me,” said Kailer.

“I had never seen singing apples before.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.1

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Happy Snowman

“I am a happy snowman,” said Kailer.

“I wear a hat and a scarf, and I hold a broom.”

“My nose is a carrot.”

“I am happy to be a snowman,” said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.2

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Snail

“Last night I had a dream. I dreamed that I was a snail,” said Kailer.

“I was a happy snail, but it took a long time to get anywhere.”

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Singing Fish

“I want to be a fish that can sing,” said Kailer.

“I would sing songs about the sea.”

“I would sing songs to sailors and to people who go fishing.”

“It would be fun to be a singing fish,” said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.6

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Airplane

“When I get older, I want to learn how to fly an airplane,” said Kailer.

“I will fly it up into the sky and look down on the world. It will be so fun.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.7

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Kangaroo

Kailer is a kangaroo. He likes to play basketball. He can jump. He can shoot.

Kailer likes being a kangaroo.

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Lemonade

Kailer made some lemonade. He set up a lemonade stand. He sold lemonade to his friends and family.

Kailer made \$5.00 in one day.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.9

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If I Were a Dog

“If I were a dog, I would want to be able to drive a car,” said Kailer.

“I would put on my yellow hat and get in my red car. People would smile when I went by.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.0

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Submarine

“I went on a submarine,”
said Kailer.

“We went down
underwater.”

“I saw all kinds of fish.”

“It was fun to go on a
submarine.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.0

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Treehouse

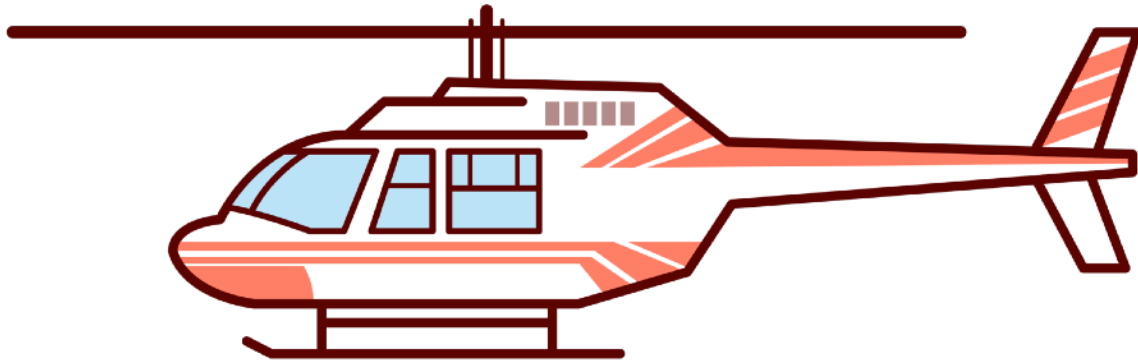
“I am going to build a treehouse,” said Kailer. “It will be so much fun.”

“I will have a good view and get to see birds and little animals every day.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.5

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Helicopter

“I want to fly a helicopter,” said Kailer.

“It would be neat to fly it up in the sky.”

“I could help save people by flying a helicopter.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.8

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Opened a Book

“I opened a book last week and a pirate story came out,” said Kailer.

“It was a very good story about pirates and pirate ships. I liked the part about buried treasure.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 4.4

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Hippo

Kailer saw a hippo. It was on a unicycle. It was playing a violin.

“Be careful when you play your violin on a unicycle,” said Kailer to the hippo.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 4.7

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Kailer Saw



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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

Fiction

Cat



Kailer saw a cat.

It was a big cat.

“I saw a cat,” said Kailer.

“It was a big cat,” he
said.

Bat



Kailer saw a bat.

It was a big bat.

“I saw a bat,” said Kailer.

“It was a big bat,” he
said.

Rat



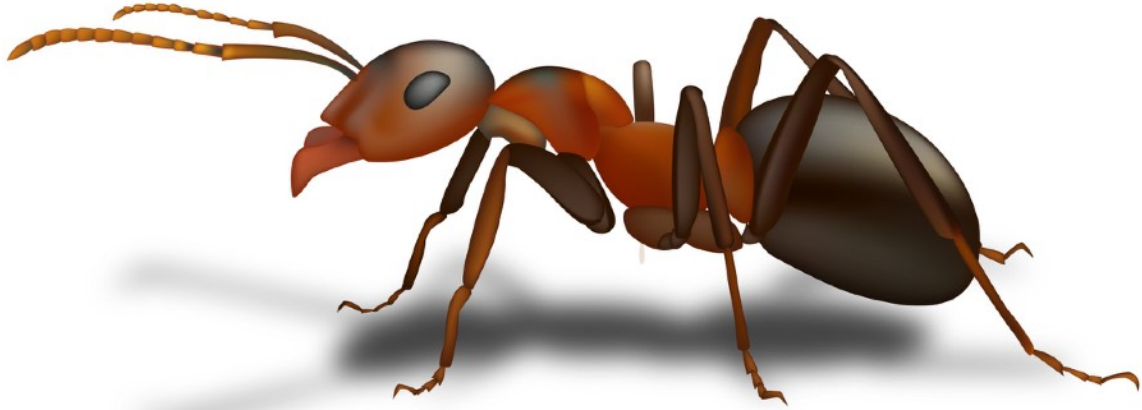
Kailer saw a rat.

It was a big rat.

“I saw a rat,” said Kailer.

“It was a big rat,” he
said.

Ant



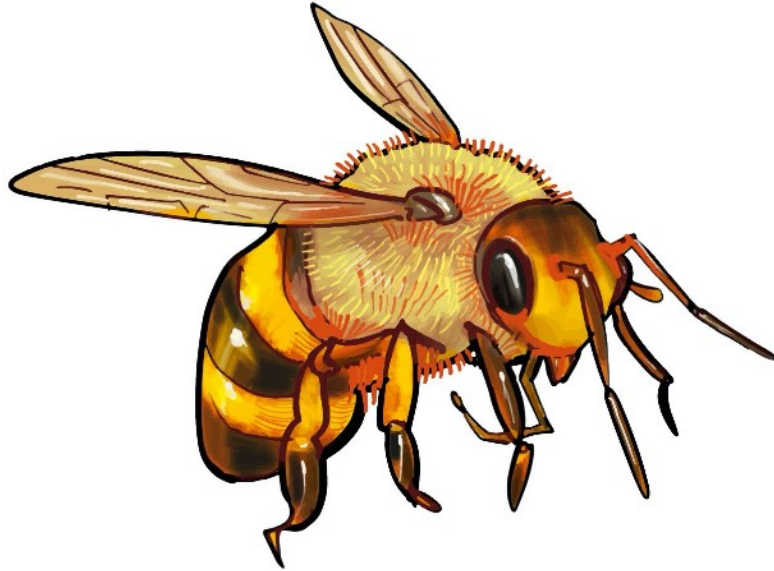
Kailer saw an ant.

It was a big ant.

“I saw an ant,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big ant,” he
said.

Bee



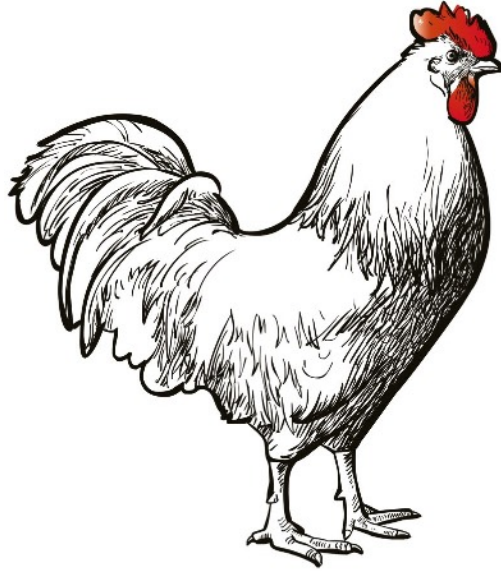
Kailer saw a bee.

It was a big bee.

“I saw a bee,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big bee,” he
said.

Hen



Kailer saw a hen.

It was a big hen.

“I saw a hen,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big hen,” he
said.

Elk



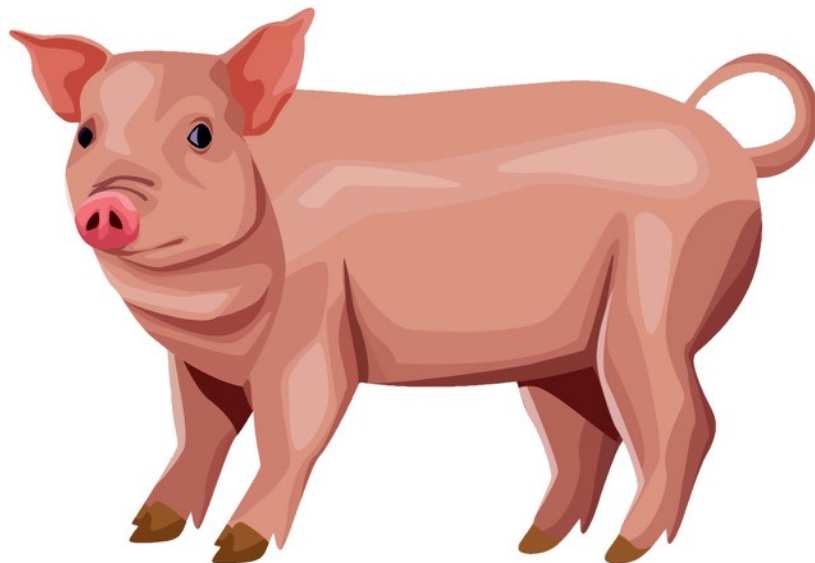
Kailer saw an elk.

It was a big elk.

“I saw an elk,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big elk,” he
said.

Pig



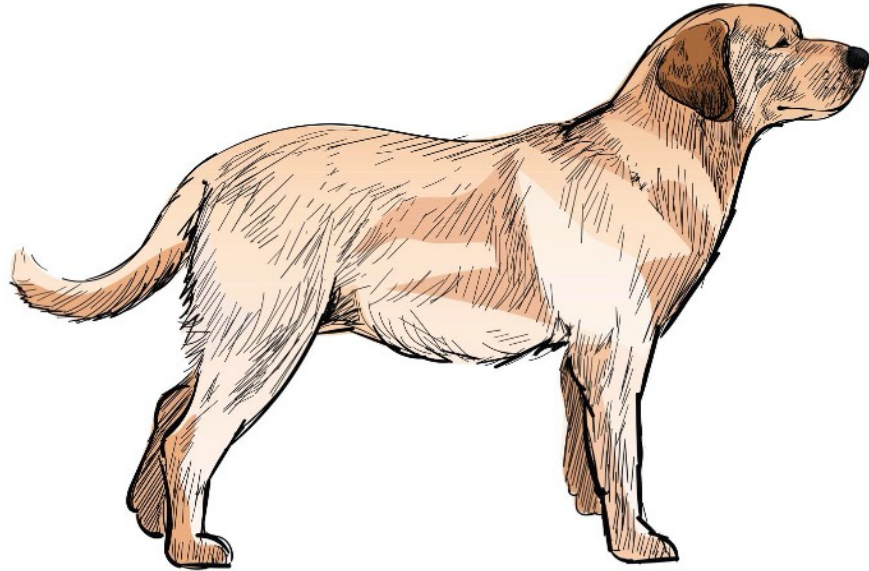
Kailer saw a pig.

It was a big pig.

“I saw a pig,” said Kailer.

“It was a big pig,” he
said.

Dog



Kailer saw a dog.

It was a big dog.

“I saw a dog,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big dog,” he
said.

Cod



Kailer saw a cod.

It was a big cod.

“I saw a cod,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big cod,” he
said.

Fox



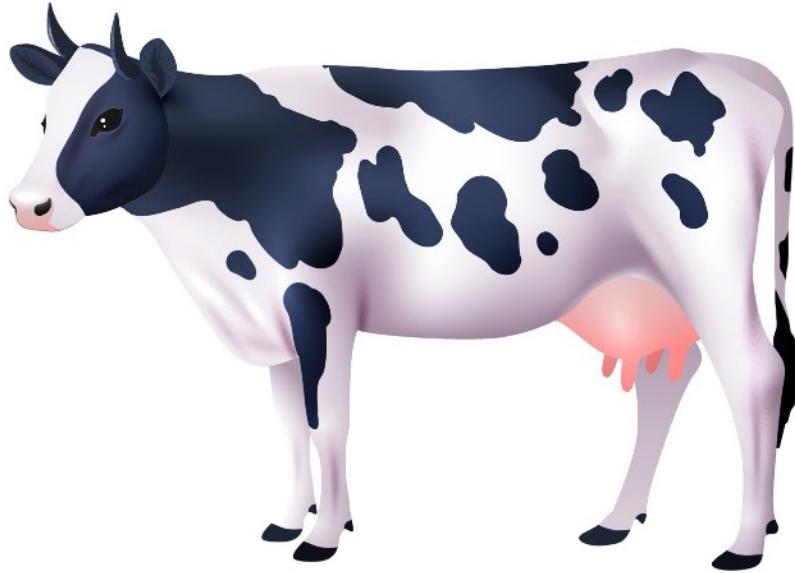
Kailer saw a fox.

It was a big fox.

“I saw a fox,” said Kailer.

“It was a big fox,” he
said.

Cow



Kailer saw a cow.

It was a big cow.

“I saw a cow,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big cow,” he
said.

Owl



Kailer saw an owl.

It was a big owl.

“I saw an owl,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big owl,” he
said.

Bug



Kailer saw a bug.

It was a big bug.

“I saw a bug,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big bug,” he
said.

Pup



Kailer saw a pup.

It was a big pup.

“I saw a pup,” said
Kailer.

“It was a big pup,” he
said.

Fly



Kailer saw a fly.

It was a big fly.

“I saw a fly,” said Kailer.

“It was a big fly,” he said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

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Kailer Saw a Cab



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Fiction

Cab



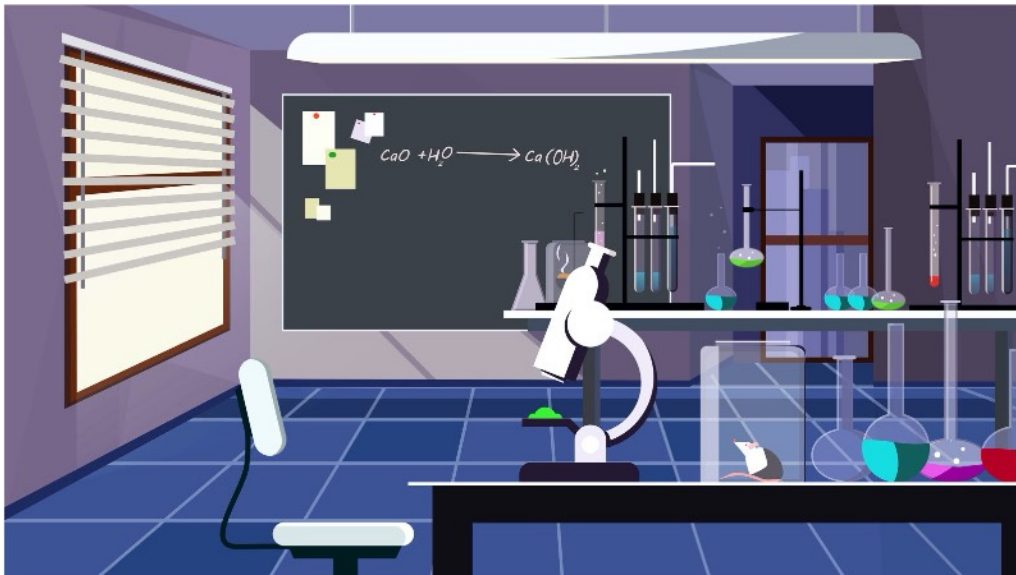
Kailer saw a cab.

It was a nice cab.

“I saw a cab,” said
Kailer.

“It was a nice cab,” he
said.

Lab



Kailer saw a lab.

It was a nice lab.

“I saw a lab,” said Kailer.

“It was a nice lab,” he
said.

Bag



Kailer saw a bag.
It was a nice bag.
“I saw a bag,” said
Kailer.
“It was a nice bag,” he
said.

Rag



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Kailer saw a rag.
It was a nice rag.
“I saw a rag,” said Kailer.
“It was a nice rag,” he
said.

Yam



Kailer saw a yam.
It was a nice yam.
“I saw a yam,” said
Kailer.
“It was a nice yam,” he
said.

Can



Kailer saw a can.

It was a nice can.

“I saw a can,” said
Kailer.

“It was a nice can,” he
said.

Fan



Kailer saw a fan.

It was a nice fan.

“I saw a fan,” said Kailer.

“It was a nice fan,” he
said.

Pan



Kailer saw a pan.
It was a nice pan.
“I saw a pan,” said
Kailer.
“It was a nice pan,” he
said.

Van



Kailer saw a van.

It was a nice van.

“I saw a van,” said
Kailer.

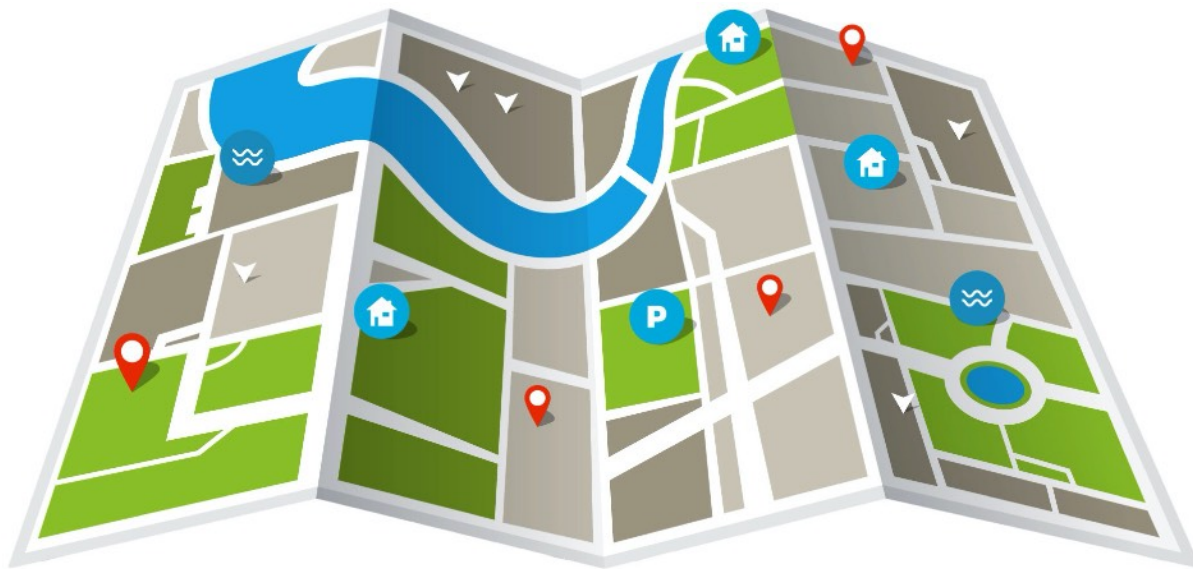
“It was a nice van,” he
said.

Cap



Kailer saw a cap.
It was a nice cap.
“I saw a cap,” said
Kailer.
“It was a nice cap,” he
said.

Map



Kailer saw a map.
It was a nice map.
“I saw a map,” said
Kailer.

“It was a nice map,” he
said.

Bat



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Hat



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Mat



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said.

Vat



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It was a nice vat.

“I saw a vat,” said Kailer.

“It was a nice vat,” he
said.

Sax



Kailer saw a sax.

It was a nice sax.

“I saw a sax,” said
Kailer.

“It was a nice sax,” he
said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

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Kailer Saw a Web



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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

Fiction

Web



Kailer saw a web.
It was a cool web.
“I saw a web,” said
Kailer.

“It was a cool web,” he
said.

Gem



Kailer saw a gem.
It was a cool gem.
“I saw a gem,” said
Kailer.

“It was a cool gem,” he
said.

Pen



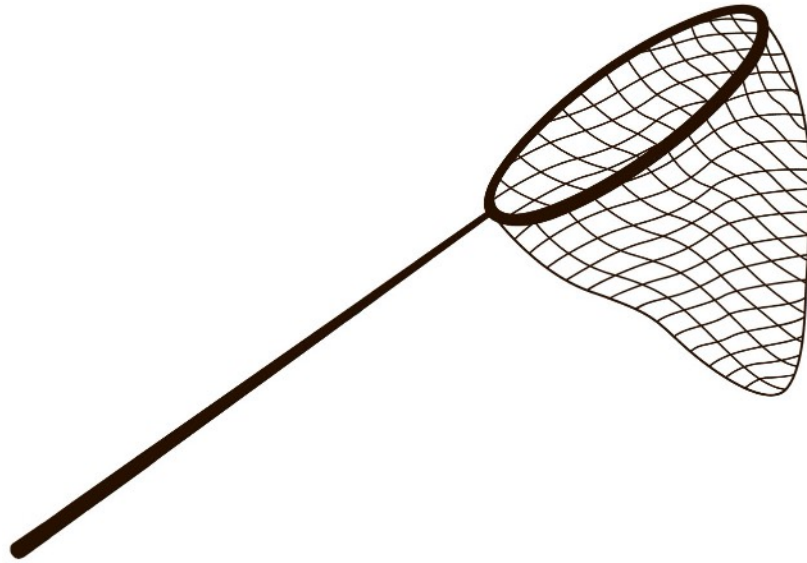
Kailer saw a pen.

It was a cool pen.

“I saw a pen,” said
Kailer.

“It was a cool pen,” he
said.

Net



Kailer saw a net.

It was a cool net.

“I saw a net,” said Kailer.

“It was a cool net,” he
said.

Jet



Kailer saw a jet.

It was a cool jet.

“I saw a jet,” said Kailer.

“It was a cool jet,” he
said.

Wig



Kailer saw a wig.
It was a cool wig.
“I saw a wig,” said Kailer.
“It was a cool wig,” he
said.

Bin



Kailer saw a bin.

It was a cool bin.

“I saw a bin,” said Kailer.

“It was a cool bin,” he
said.

Fin



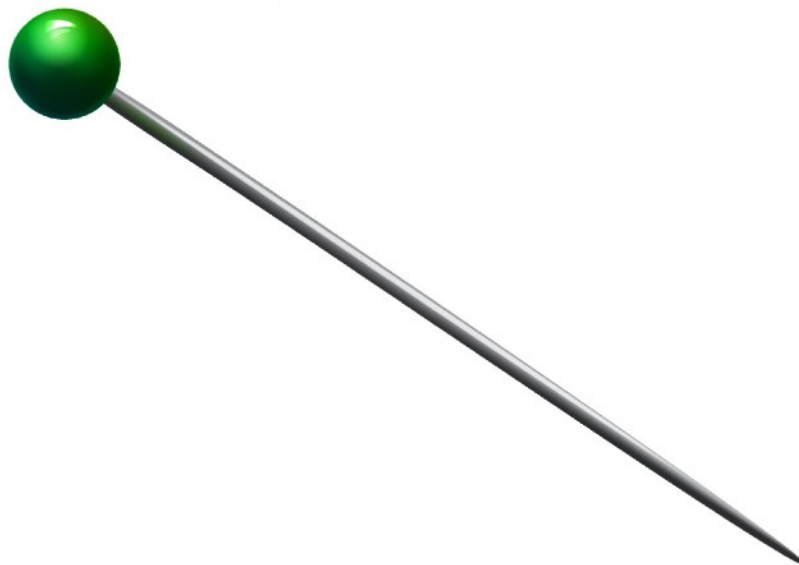
Kailer saw a fin.

It was a cool fin.

“I saw a fin,” said Kailer.

“It was a cool fin,” he
said.

Pin



Kailer saw a pin.
It was a cool pin.
“I saw a pin,” said Kailer.
“It was a cool pin,” he
said.

Rod



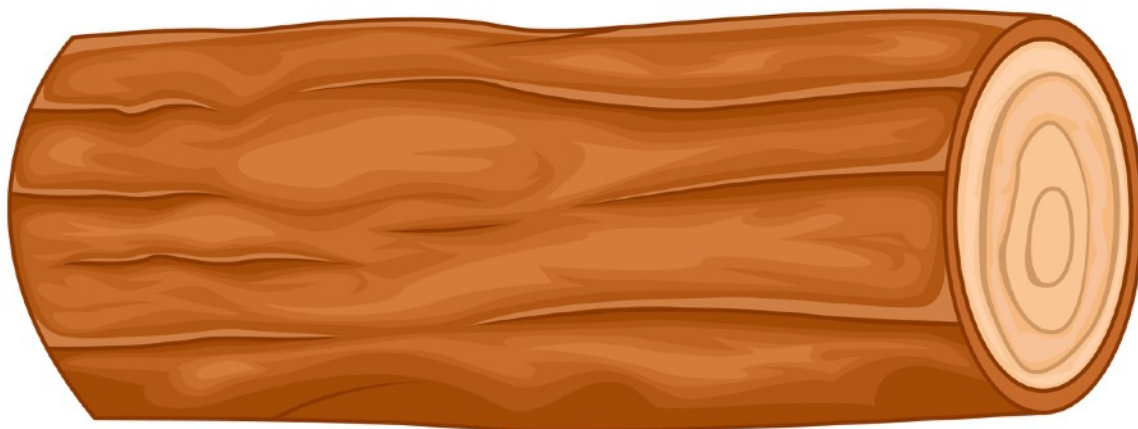
Kailer saw a rod.

It was a cool rod.

“I saw a rod,” said Kailer.

“It was a cool rod,” he
said.

Log



Kailer saw a log.
It was a cool log.
“I saw a log,” said Kailer.
“It was a cool log,” he
said.

Mop



Kailer saw a mop.
It was a cool mop.
“I saw a mop,” said
Kailer.

“It was a cool mop,” he
said.

Top



Kailer saw a top.
It was a cool top.
“I saw a top,” said Kailer.
“It was a cool top,” he
said.

Cot



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Kailer saw a cot.
It was a cool cot.
“I saw a cot,” said Kailer.
“It was a cool cot,” he
said.

Pot



Kailer saw a pot.

It was a cool pot.

“I saw a pot,” said Kailer.

“It was a cool pot,” he
said.

Box



Kailer saw a box.
It was a cool box.
“I saw a box,” said
Kailer.

“It was a cool box,” he
said.

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Kailer Saw a Tub



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Fiction

Tub



Kailer saw a tub.
It was a neat tub.
“I saw a tub,” said Kailer.
“It was a neat tub,” he
said.

Jug



Kailer saw a jug.

It was a neat jug.

“I saw a jug,” said Kailer.

“It was a neat jug,” he
said.

Rug



Kailer saw a rug.

It was a neat rug.

“I saw a rug,” said Kailer.

“It was a neat rug,” he
said.

Bun



Kailer saw a bun.
It was a neat bun.
“I saw a bun,” said
Kailer.
“It was a neat bun,” he
said.

Cup



Kailer saw a cup.
It was a neat cup.
“I saw a cup,” said
Kailer.

“It was a neat cup,” he
said.

Bus



Kailer saw a bus.
It was a neat bus.
“I saw a bus,” said
Kailer.
“It was a neat bus,” he
said.

Hut



Kailer saw a hut.

It was a neat hut.

“I saw a hut,” said Kailer.

“It was a neat hut,” he
said.

Nut



Kailer saw a nut.

It was a neat nut.

“I saw a nut,” said Kailer.

“It was a neat nut,” he
said.

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Kailer Went to a Farm



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Fiction



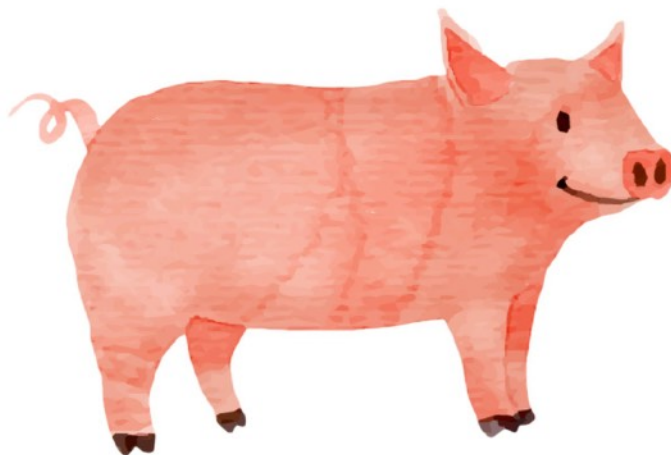
Kailer went to a
farm. He saw a
horse. It was a nice
horse.



Kailer went to a
farm. He saw a
cow. It was a nice
COW.



Kailer went to a
farm. A donkey was
there. It was a nice
donkey.



Kailer went to a
farm. A pig was
there. It was a nice
pig.



Kailer went to a
farm. There was a
sheep. It was a nice
sheep.



Kailer went to a
farm. There was a
turkey. It was a nice
turkey.



Kailer went to a
farm. It had a duck.
It was a nice duck.



Kailer went to a
farm. It had a
chicken. It was a
nice chicken.



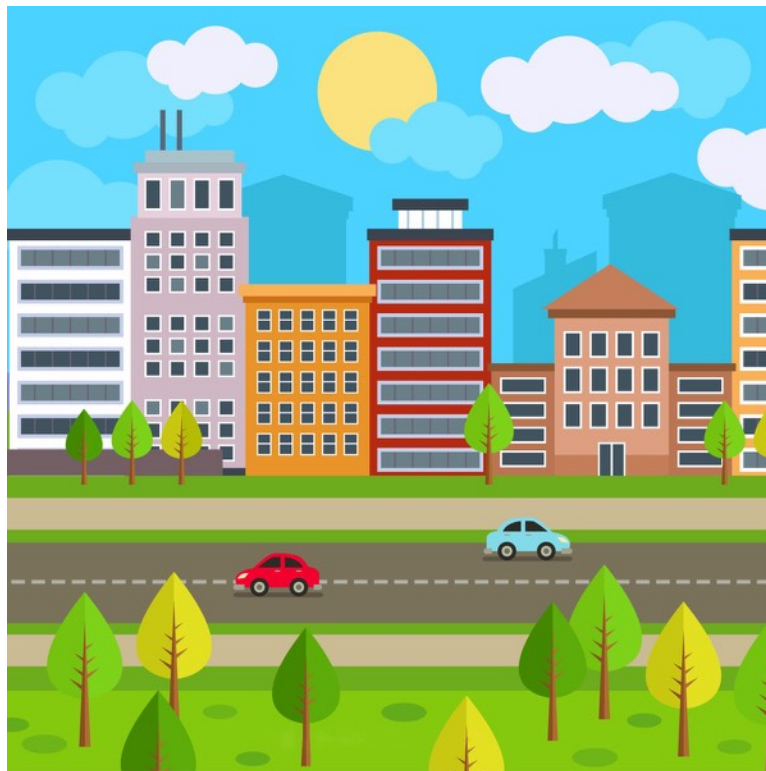
Kailer was happy
that he went to a
nice farm.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.2

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Kailer Went to a City



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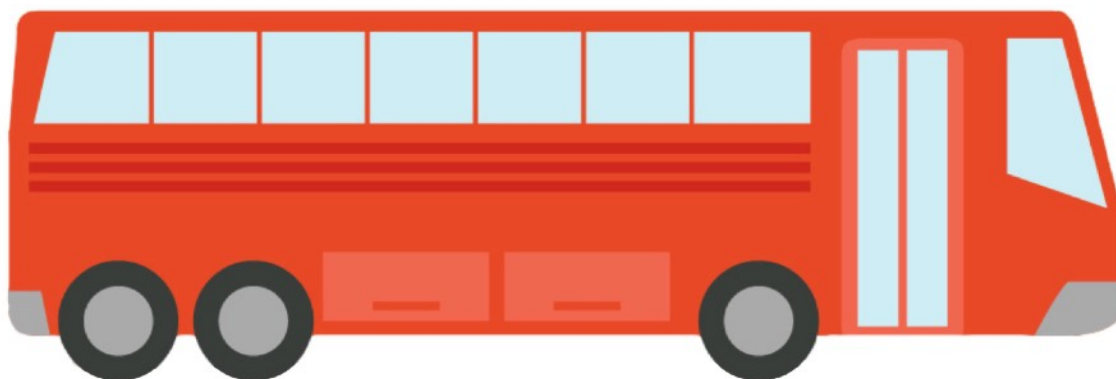
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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

Fiction



Kailer went to a
city. He saw a train.
It was a nice train.



Kailer went to a
city. He saw a bus.
It was a nice bus.



Kailer went to a
city. A truck was
there. It was a nice
truck.



Kailer went to a
city. A fire truck was
there. It was a nice
fire truck.



Kailer went to a
city. An ambulance
was there. It was a
nice ambulance.



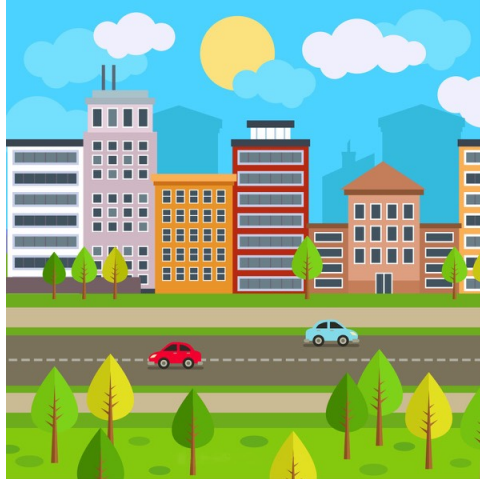
Kailer went to a
city. There was a
police car. It was a
nice police car.



Kailer went to a
city. There was a
taxi. It was a nice
taxi.



Kailer went to a
city. There was a
motorcycle. It was a
nice motorcycle.



Kailer was happy
that he went to a
nice city.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

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Kailer Is In This Story



Bird

Cody was a bird. One day he flew past a cat. The cat was on a hill. "What are you doing?" Cody asked the cat.

1



Falling Star

One night Cody was outside with his dad. "Help, help!" they heard from up in the sky. "Look, Dad. A star is falling," said Cody.

1



Octopus

One day Cody woke up. He was an octopus. "Mom, I am an octopus," said Cody.

1



Basketball

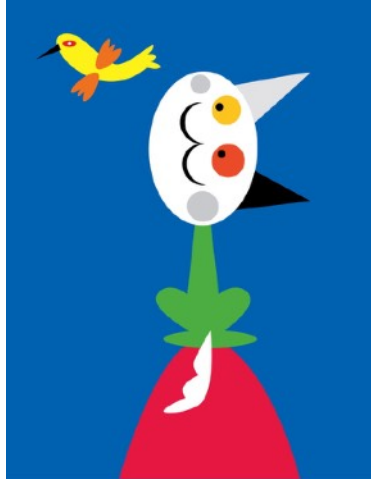
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"Good morning, teacher," said Cody as he walked into his classroom before school. "Good morning," said his teacher who was sitting at the teacher's desk. "How can I help you?" "I want to be a basketball," said Cody. "Why do you want to be a basketball?" asked his teacher.

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Bird

Kailer was a bird. One day he flew past a cat. The cat was on a hill.

“What are you doing?” Kailer asked the cat.



“I am sitting on a hill,”
said the cat.

“Come and fly with me,”
said Kailer.

“I cannot fly,” said the
cat.

“That is too bad,” said
Kailer.



“I will go and fly all around,” said Kailer.

“I will then come back and tell you all about it,” he said.

“That would be nice,” said the cat.



So Kailer went and flew
all around.

He then came back to
the cat.

Kailer told the cat what
he had seen.

The cat was happy.



“Thank you,” said the
cat.

“You are welcome,”
said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.5

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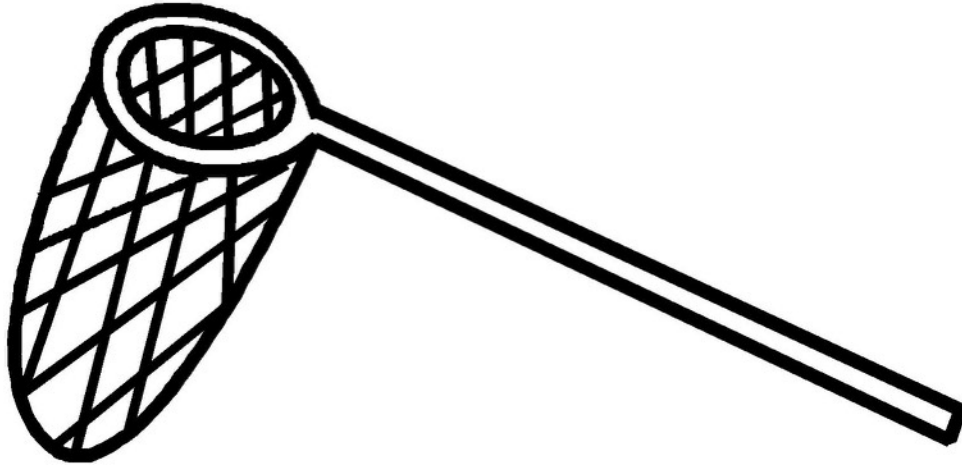


Falling Star

One night Kailer was
outside with his dad.

"Help, help!" they heard
from up in the sky.

"Look, Dad. A star is
falling," said Kailer.



"What should we do?"
said his dad.

"I know what to do,"
said Kailer.

He ran and got a big
net.



Kailer took the net and quickly caught the star just before it hit the ground.

"Thanks for saving me," said the star.

"What should we do with this star now?" asked Kailer's dad.



"We need to throw it back up into the sky," said Kailer.

Kailer grabbed the star out of the net and threw it back up into the sky.



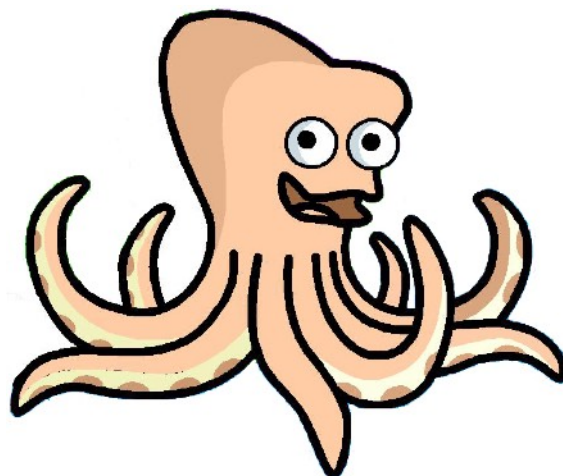
"Thanks so much," said the star from high up in the sky.

Kailer was proud that he had saved a falling star.

Flesch Kincaid Grade Level -0.1

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Octopus

One day Kailer woke up. He was an octopus.

“Mom, I am an octopus,” said Kailer.



“That is nice. Now figure out what to do with your eight arms,” said his mom.

Kailer thought and thought.

“I think I will play some music,” he said.



He got out a guitar and played it.

He got out a trumpet and played it.

He got out a drum and played it.

He then got out a maraca and played it.



“I bet I can play all of these at once with my eight arms,” said Kailer.

He picked up the maraca. He put the drum next to him. He picked up the trumpet. He then picked up the guitar.



He began to play music with the guitar, the trumpet, the drum, and the maraca.

“Your band sounds great,” said his mother.

“Thanks, Mom. It is fun to be a one octopus band,” said Kailer.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Basketball

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“Good morning, Teacher,” said Kailer as he walked into his classroom before school.

“Good morning,” said his teacher who was sitting at the teacher’s desk. “How can I help you?”

“I want to be a basketball,” said Kailer.

“Why do you want to be a basketball?” asked his teacher.



“I think it would be fun to fly in the air and then go *swish* through the basketball net,” replied Kailer.

“Okay you can become a basketball. Please come over here,” said the teacher. Kailer’s teacher reached inside the teacher’s desk and pulled out the lucky buffalo coin. Kailer walked over to the teacher’s desk. His teacher held the coin above Kailer’s head.

“Basketball, basketball, basketball,” said the teacher.



There was a loud *poof*, followed by some white smoke, and Kailer was a basketball.

One of Kailer's friends walked into the classroom just at that time.

"Do you want to go out and play basketball?" asked Kailer the basketball. His friend stopped right in his tracks and looked at the talking basketball.

"How can a basketball talk?" he asked.



“It’s me, Kailer,” said Kailer. “Our teacher used the lucky buffalo coin and turned me into a basketball.”

“Boy, you must have done something really bad for our teacher to turn you into a basketball,” said the friend.

“No, I didn’t. I asked our teacher to turn me into a basketball because I wanted to be a basketball,” said Kailer with a big smile.



“You kids can go outside and play,” said the teacher. “You have about five minutes before school will start. Just remember to bring Kailer back inside.”

Kailer’s friend grabbed Kailer the basketball and ran outside with him.

“Cool basketball,” said the other kids on the playground.

“It is just me, your friend, Kailer,” said the basketball.

“Neat,” said the kids.



The kids all played basketball with Kailer the basketball.

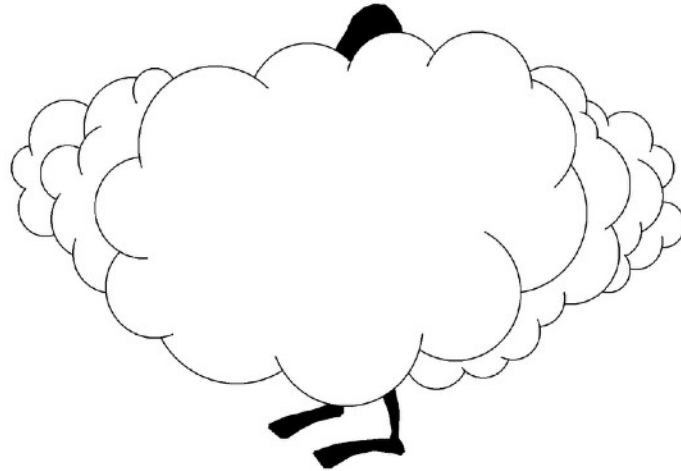
“Does it hurt being a basketball?” asked one of the friends.

“Not a bit,” said Kailer. “Shoot me through the hoop again.”

One of the kids picked up Kailer and took a shot. *Swish* went Kailer.

“That sure is fun,” said Kailer.
“Thanks.”

The school bell then rang. Kailer’s friend went back into the classroom with Kailer and walked over to their teacher.



The teacher held up the lucky buffalo coin and said, “Kailer, Kailer, Kailer.” There was a *poof*, then some white smoke, and Kailer was Kailer the boy again.

“Thank you. It was a lot of fun being a basketball. Maybe tomorrow I can be a baseball,” said Kailer.

“I am glad you had fun. We can see about you being a baseball tomorrow. Now, time for school,” said the teacher.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.6

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