Mary 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.

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."

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."

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."

Cody Went to a City

By Clark Ness

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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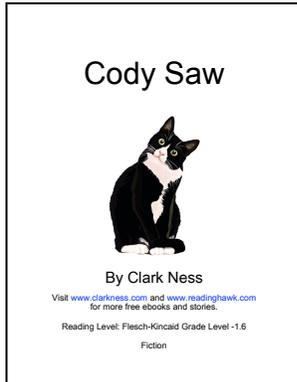## 60 single page stories, 6 ebooks, and 4 multi-page stories

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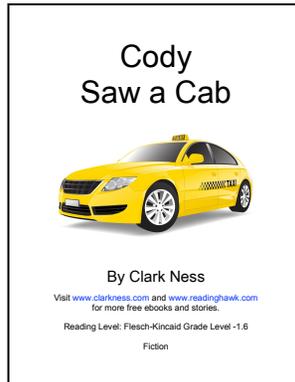Visit www.clarkness.com for more free stories and ebooks.
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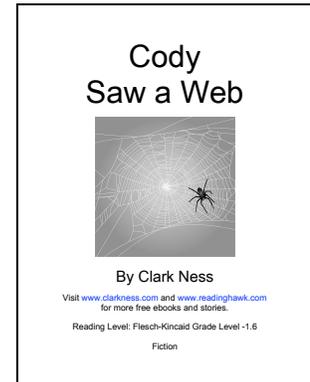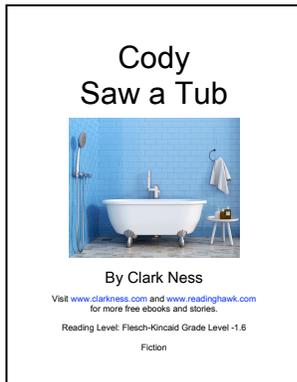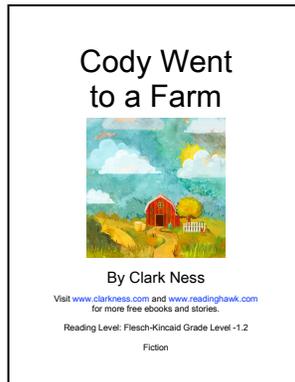
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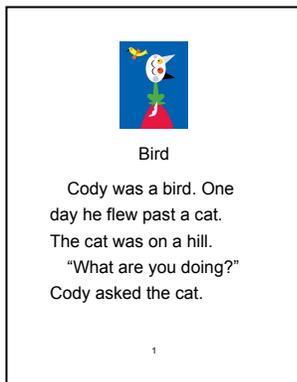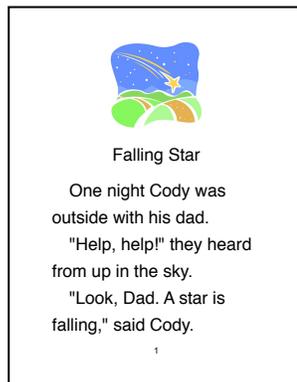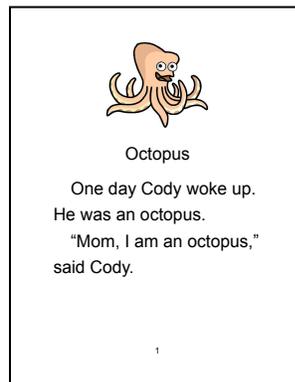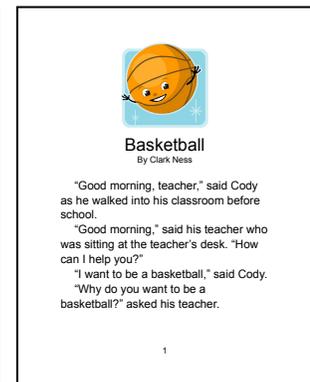
Played

Mary and her 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.

Two Cows

"I saw two cows," said Mary.

"The two cows saw me. I like these two cows. I hope the two cows like me."
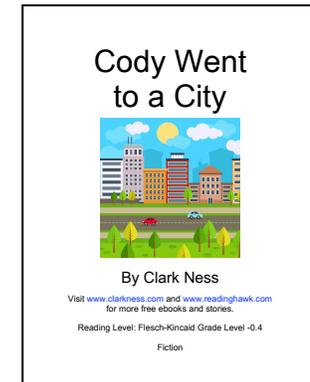
"Moo," said the two cows.

"Moo," said Mary.

Race

Mary likes to race. One day she was in a race. She ran and ran. She ran fast. Mary won the race. She was happy.

Saw a Cat

"I saw a cat," said Mary.

"I wish I was a cat. I could run fast. I could climb trees."

"It would be neat to be a cat," she said.

Out of the Water

Mary was a fish. One day she swam fast. She went so fast that she jumped out of the water.

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

Fox

Mary went for a walk and met a fox.

"How do you do?" said Mary 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 Mary.

Crocodile

One day Mary woke up. She was a crocodile. She went to school. She scared her teacher.

Her friends thought she looked cool.

Singing Flower

Mary is a flower. She loves to sing. She is a singing flower. She sings and sings.

Mary thinks that singing is fun.

Christmas Tree

Mary helped with the Christmas tree. She put candy canes on it. She put balls on it.

Her dog helped too. The tree looked great.

Read a Book

"I think I will read a book," said Mary. Soon she was done.

"I think I will read some more," said Mary.

Soon she was done reading seven books.

"That was fun," said Mary.

Ice Cream Truck

"I hear the ice cream truck coming," said Mary.

"I hope it stops by my home."

"I want to buy an ice cream treat."

"It will taste so good."
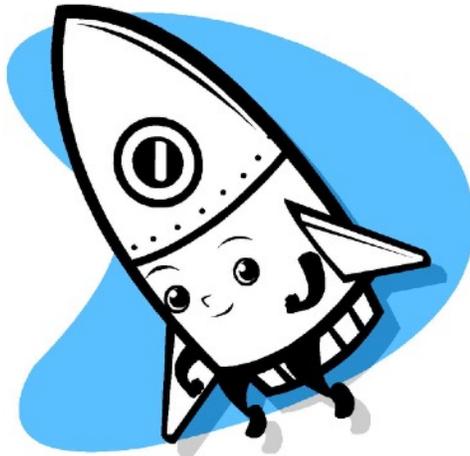
Rocket

"I want to be a rocket," said Mary.

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

"Now that was fun," said Mary.

Surfing Dog

Mary is a cool dog. She has a surf board. She loves to go to the beach with her surf board. She goes surfing at the beach.

Mary thinks surfing is cool.

Cat Lover

Mary is a cat lover. She loves cats. She loves big cats.

Mary loves little cats. She loves pretty cats. She loves ugly cats. Mary loves all cats.

Dog Lover

Mary is a dog lover. She loves dogs. She loves big dogs.

Mary loves little dogs. She loves pretty dogs. She loves ugly dogs. Mary loves all dogs.

Fly to School

One day Mary said, "I think I will fly to school today."

She put on her flying suit. She flew to school.

"Wow! You flew to school," said her teacher.

"It was easy," said Mary.

Happy Cat

"Can you see me?" said Mary.

"I am a cat."

"I am a happy cat."

"I am Mary the happy cat," said Mary.

Happy Dog

"Can you see me?" said Mary.

"I am a dog."

"I am a happy dog."

"I am Mary the happy dog," said Mary.

Rhino

Mary is a rhino. She likes to play soccer. She can kick the ball. She can score a goal.

Mary likes being a rhino.

A Deer

Mary went for a walk.

She was very quiet. She looked.

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

Mary was glad that she saw a baby deer.

Pet Dragon

"I want a pet dragon," said Mary.

"It could play with me."

"It could read books to me."

"A pet dragon would be neat," said Mary.

Owl

Mary 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 Mary.
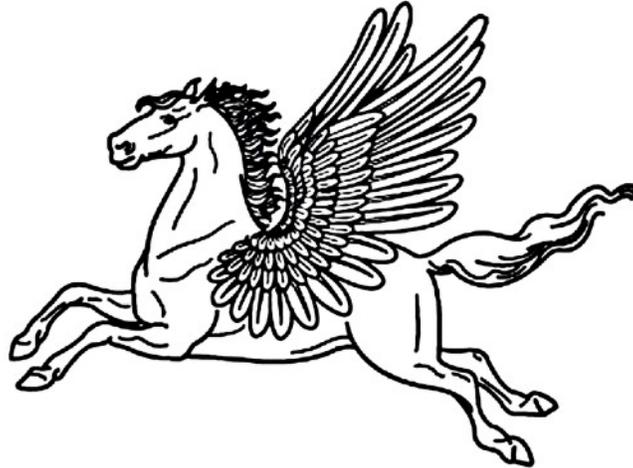
Horse With Wings

One day Mary became a horse with wings.

She flew to her school. Mary took each of her friends for a ride up into the sky.

They all had fun.

Astronaut

"I want to be an astronaut," said Mary.

"I want to go out in space."

"It would be neat to go to the Moon."

"It would be neat to go to Mars."

Happy Turtle

This is Mary. She is a happy turtle. She likes to run.

"I am a happy turtle. I like to run," said Mary.

Giraffe

"I am a giraffe," said Mary.

"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 Mary.

Bubbles

Mary made bubbles.

Some bubbles were big.

Some bubbles were small.

Mary made a lot of

bubbles. She had fun.
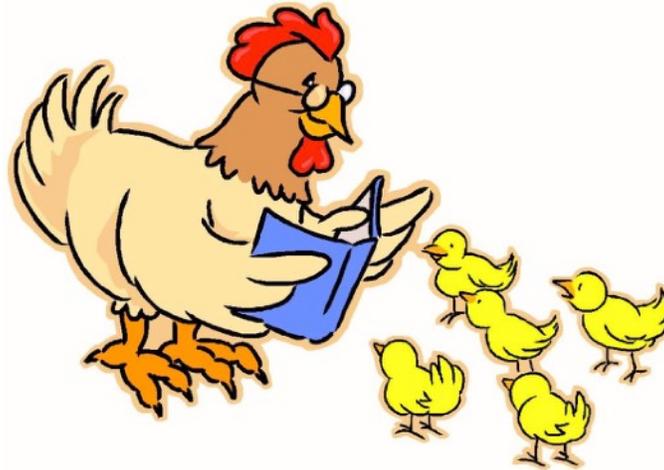
Chicken

"I saw a chicken," said Mary.

"She wore glasses and had a book."

"She was reading to her chicks."

"I wonder if all chickens can read?" said Mary.

Horses

Mary saw two horses.

One horse was brown.

One horse was white. The horses were big.

Mary liked seeing the horses.
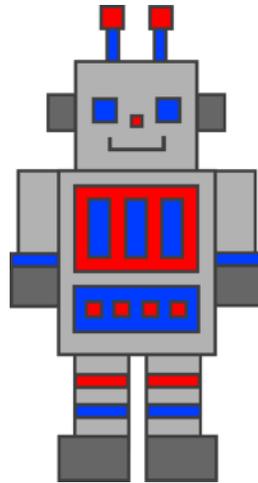
Robot

"Can I have a robot?" said Mary.

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

Sheep

"I saw a sheep near my home," said Mary.

"It was knitting a sock."

"I told the sheep that it was a nice sock."

"The sheep smiled and kept on knitting," said Mary.

Snow Skiing

"I want to go snow skiing," said Mary.

"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," she said.

Rabbit

"I want to be a rabbit," said Mary.

"I would have two long ears."

"I could hop and hop."

"I would even like to eat carrots," said Mary.

Cowgirl

"I am going to be a cowgirl," said Mary.

"I will have a rope."

"I will ride a horse."

"I will herd my cattle."

"It will be neat to be a cowgirl," said Mary.

Bear

Mary 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 Mary.

"Yes, it is," said the bear.

Soccer Ball

Mary has a soccer ball. She plays soccer with it every day.

"I love playing soccer. It is a great sport. Soccer is fun," said Mary.
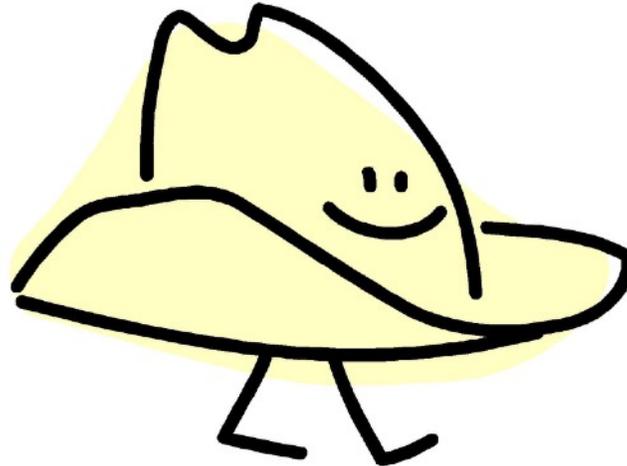
Hat

Mary saw a hat walk by.

"Where are you going?" asked Mary.

"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."

Rat

One day Mary saw a rat.

"That rat is on a skateboard," said Mary.

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

"Hope you have fun," said Mary.

Safari

"I went to Africa," said Mary.

"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."

I Have a Pencil

"I have a pencil," said Mary. "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."
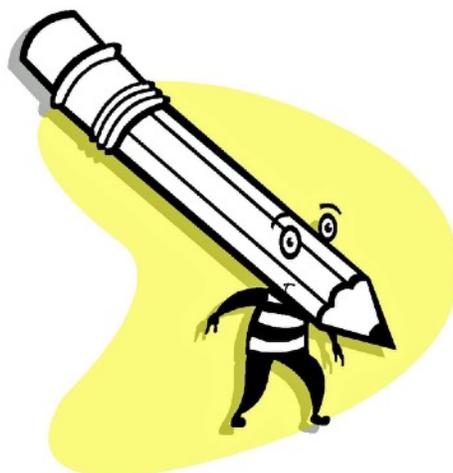
Pencil

One day Mary woke up. She was a pencil.

"I think I will write a story," said Mary. She wrote a story. It was about being a pencil.

Pink Elephant

"I saw a pink elephant," said Mary. "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 Mary.

Saw a Cat Look

"I saw a cat look at a bird. I saw the bird look at the cat," said Mary.

"I don't know what they could have been thinking. Cats and birds are usually not friends."

Snake

"I think I would like to be a snake," said Mary.

"It would be fun to slither along the ground."

"I would hunt for food and have a good life."

Elephant

"I went to a pet shop," said Mary.

"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 Mary.

Monsters

"I saw three monsters today," said Mary.

"They were happy monsters going for a walk."

"I wonder where they were going?" said Mary.

Pet Shop

"I am going to go to a pet shop," said Mary.

"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 Mary.

Singing Apples

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

"I had never seen singing apples before."

Happy Snowman

"I am a happy snowman," said Mary.

"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 Mary.

Snail

"Last night I had a dream. I dreamed that I was a snail," said Mary.

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

Singing Fish

"I want to be a fish that can sing," said Mary.

"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 Mary.

Airplane

"When I get older, I want to learn how to fly an airplane," said Mary.

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

Kangaroo

Mary is a kangaroo. She likes to play basketball. She can jump. She can shoot.

Mary likes being a kangaroo.

Lemonade

Mary made some lemonade. She set up a lemonade stand. She sold lemonade to her friends and family.

Mary made $5.00 in one day.

If I Were a Dog

"If I were a dog, I would want to be able to drive a car," said Mary.

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

Submarine

"I went on a submarine," said Mary.

"We went down underwater."

"I saw all kinds of fish."

"It was fun to go on a submarine."

Treehouse

"I am going to build a treehouse," said Mary. "It will be so much fun."

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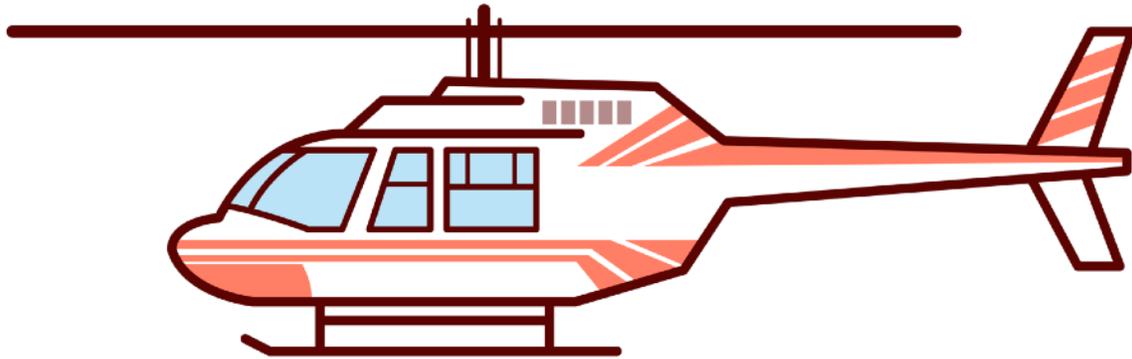
Helicopter

"I want to fly a helicopter," said Mary.

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

"I could help save people by flying a helicopter."

Opened a Book

"I opened a book last week and a pirate story came out," said Mary.

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

Hippo

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

"Be careful when you play your violin on a unicycle," said Mary to the hippo.

Mary Saw

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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

Fiction

Cat

Mary saw a cat.

It was a big cat.

"I saw a cat," said Mary.

"It was a big cat," she said.

Bat

Mary saw a bat.

It was a big bat.

"I saw a bat," said Mary.

"It was a big bat," she said.

Rat

Mary saw a rat.

It was a big rat.

"I saw a rat," said Mary.

"It was a big rat," she said.

Ant

Mary saw an ant.

It was a big ant.

"I saw an ant," said Mary.

"It was a big ant," she said.

Bee
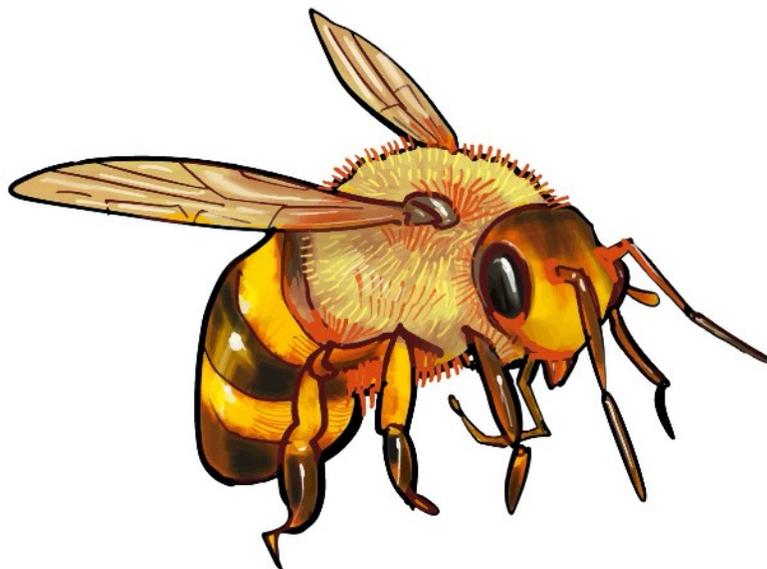
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It was a big bee.

"I saw a bee," said Mary.

"It was a big bee," she said.

Hen
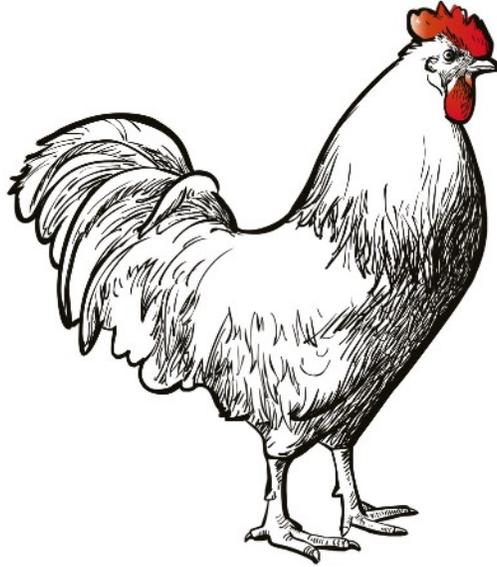
Mary saw a hen.

It was a big hen.

"I saw a hen," said Mary.

"It was a big hen," she said.

Elk

Mary saw an elk.

It was a big elk.

"I saw an elk," said Mary.

"It was a big elk," she said.

Pig
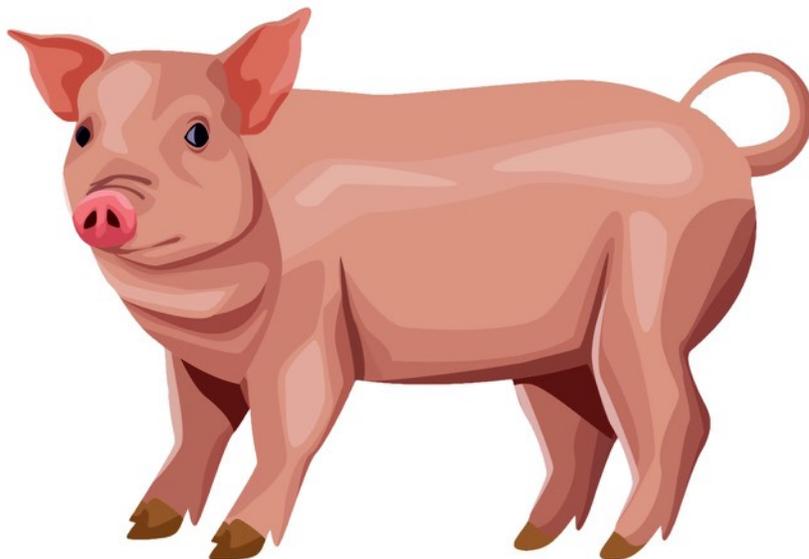
Mary saw a pig.

It was a big pig.

"I saw a pig," said Mary.

"It was a big pig," she said.

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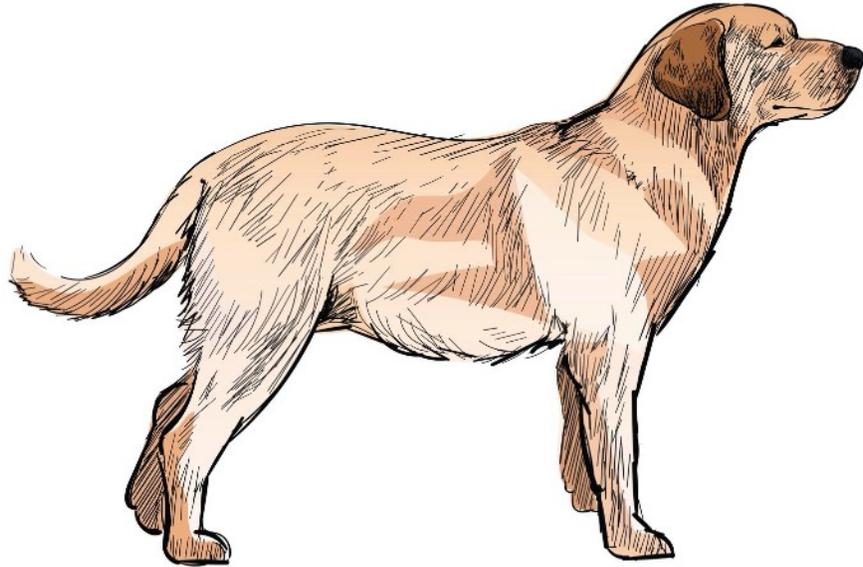
Mary saw a dog.

It was a big dog.

"I saw a dog," said Mary.

"It was a big dog," she said.

Cod

Mary saw a cod.

It was a big cod.

"I saw a cod," said Mary.

"It was a big cod," she said.

Fox

Mary saw a fox.

It was a big fox.

"I saw a fox," said Mary.

"It was a big fox," she said.

Cow

Mary saw a cow.

It was a big cow.

"I saw a cow," said Mary.

"It was a big cow," she said.

Owl

Mary saw an owl.

It was a big owl.

"I saw an owl," said
Mary.

"It was a big owl," she
said.

Bug

Mary saw a bug.

It was a big bug.

"I saw a bug," said Mary.

"It was a big bug," she said.

Pup

Mary saw a pup.

It was a big pup.

"I saw a pup," said Mary.

"It was a big pup," she
said.

Fly

Mary saw a fly.

It was a big fly.

"I saw a fly," said Mary.

"It was a big fly," she said.

Mary
Saw a Cab

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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

Fiction

Cab

Mary saw a cab.

It was a nice cab.

"I saw a cab," said Mary.

"It was a nice cab," she said.

Lab
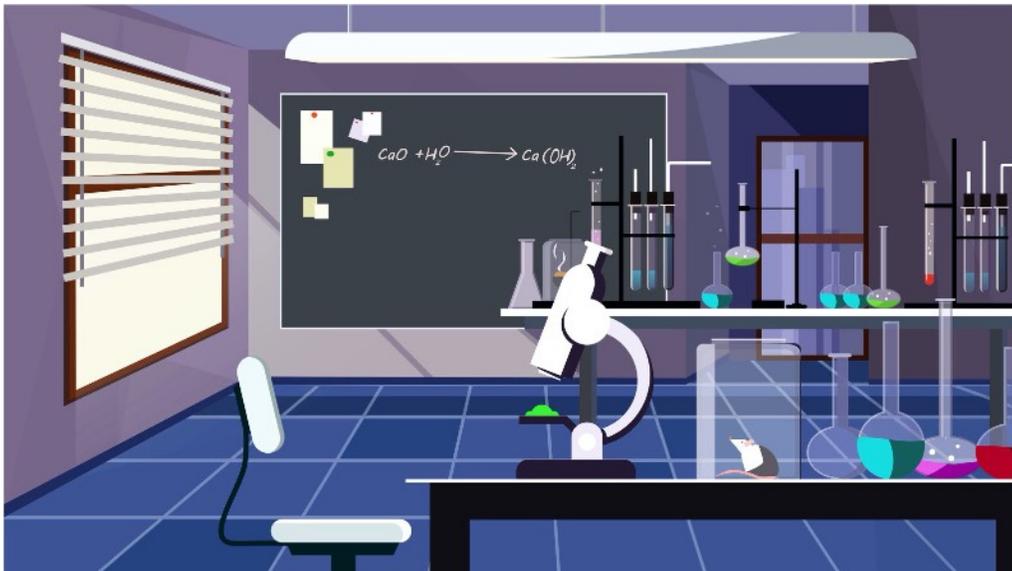
Mary saw a lab.

It was a nice lab.

"I saw a lab," said Mary.

"It was a nice lab," she said.

Bag

Mary saw a bag.

It was a nice bag.

"I saw a bag," said Mary.

"It was a nice bag," she said.

Rag

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Mary saw a rag.

It was a nice rag.

"I saw a rag," said Mary.

"It was a nice rag," she said.

Yam

Mary saw a yam.

It was a nice yam.

"I saw a yam," said Mary.

"It was a nice yam," she said.

Can

Mary saw a can.

It was a nice can.

"I saw a can," said Mary.

"It was a nice can," she said.

Fan

Mary saw a fan.

It was a nice fan.

"I saw a fan," said Mary.

"It was a nice fan," she said.

Pan

Mary saw a pan.

It was a nice pan.

"I saw a pan," said Mary.

"It was a nice pan," she said.

Van

Mary saw a van.

It was a nice van.

"I saw a van," said Mary.

"It was a nice van," she said.

Cap

Mary saw a cap.

It was a nice cap.

"I saw a cap," said Mary.

"It was a nice cap," she said.

Map

Mary saw a map.

It was a nice map.

"I saw a map," said Mary.

"It was a nice map," she said.

Bat

Mary saw a bat.

It was a nice bat.

"I saw a bat," said Mary.

"It was a nice bat," she said.

Hat

Mary saw a hat.

It was a nice hat.

"I saw a hat," said Mary.

"It was a nice hat," she said.

Mat

Mary saw a mat.

It was a nice mat.

"I saw a mat," said Mary.

"It was a nice mat," she said.

Vat

Mary saw a vat.

It was a nice vat.

"I saw a vat," said Mary.

"It was a nice vat," she said.

Sax

Mary saw a sax.

It was a nice sax.

"I saw a sax," said Mary.

"It was a nice sax," she said.

Mary Saw a Web

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Fiction

Web

Mary saw a web.

It was a cool web.

"I saw a web," said Mary.

"It was a cool web," she said.

Gem

Mary saw a gem.

It was a cool gem.

"I saw a gem," said Mary.

"It was a cool gem," she said.

Pen

Mary saw a pen.

It was a cool pen.

"I saw a pen," said Mary.

"It was a cool pen," she said.

Net
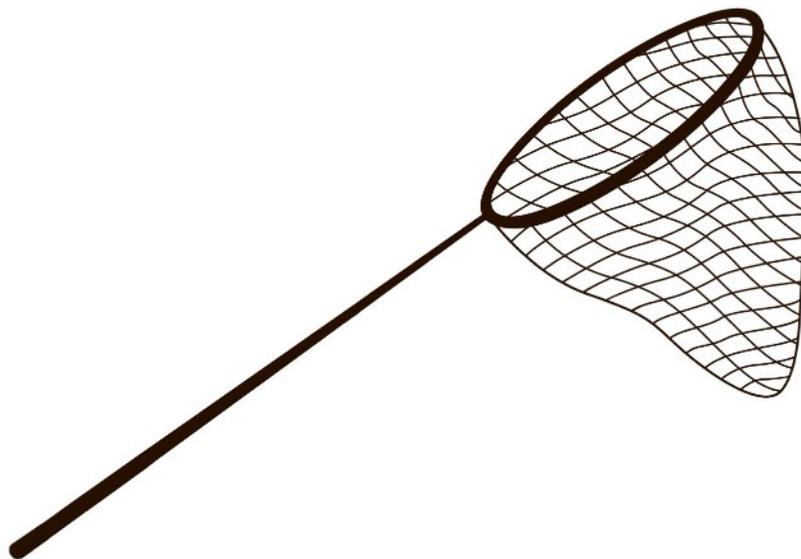
Mary saw a net.

It was a cool net.

"I saw a net," said Mary.

"It was a cool net," she said.

Jet

Mary saw a jet.

It was a cool jet.

"I saw a jet," said Mary.

"It was a cool jet," she said.

Wig

Mary saw a wig.

It was a cool wig.

"I saw a wig," said Mary.

"It was a cool wig," she said.

Bin

Mary saw a bin.

It was a cool bin.

"I saw a bin," said Mary.

"It was a cool bin," she said.

Fin

Mary saw a fin.

It was a cool fin.

"I saw a fin," said Mary.

"It was a cool fin," she said.

Pin
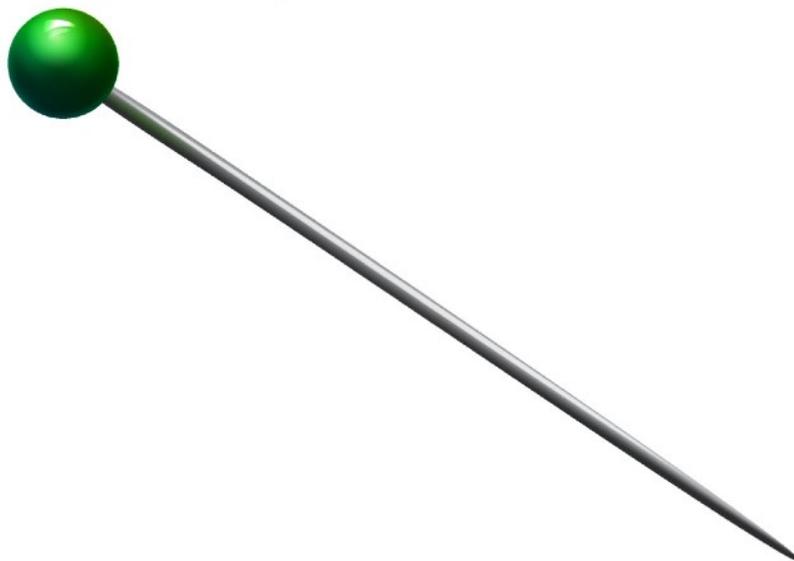
Mary saw a pin.

It was a cool pin.

"I saw a pin," said Mary.

"It was a cool pin," she said.

Rod

Mary saw a rod.

It was a cool rod.

"I saw a rod," said Mary.

"It was a cool rod," she said.

Log
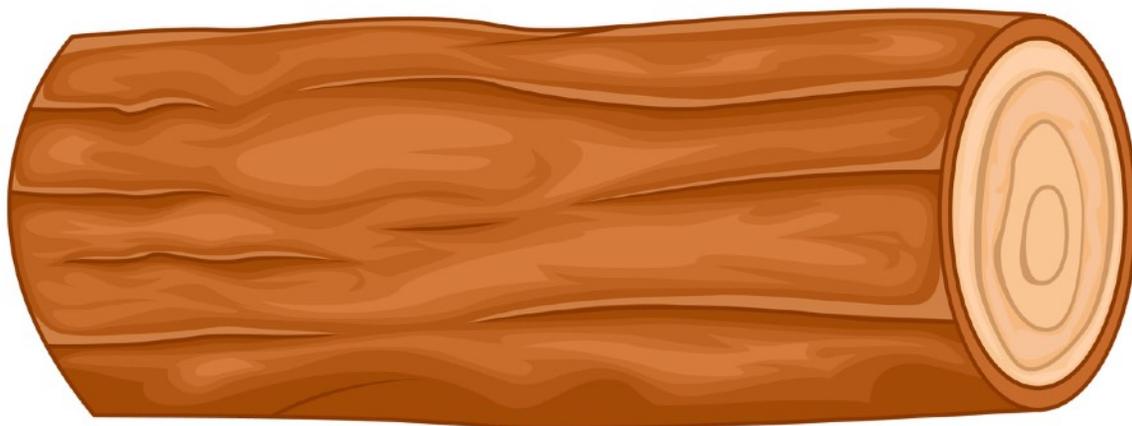
Mary saw a log.

It was a cool log.

"I saw a log," said Mary.

"It was a cool log," she said.

Mop

Mary saw a mop.

It was a cool mop.

"I saw a mop," said Mary.

"It was a cool mop," she said.

Top

Mary saw a top.

It was a cool top.

"I saw a top," said Mary.

"It was a cool top," she said.

Cot

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Mary saw a cot.

It was a cool cot.

"I saw a cot," said Mary.

"It was a cool cot," she said.

Pot

Mary saw a pot.

It was a cool pot.

"I saw a pot," said Mary.

"It was a cool pot," she said.

Box

Mary saw a box.

It was a cool box.

"I saw a box," said Mary.

"It was a cool box," she said.

Mary Saw a Tub

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Fiction

Tub

Mary saw a tub.

It was a neat tub.

"I saw a tub," said Mary.

"It was a neat tub," she said.

Jug

Mary saw a jug.

It was a neat jug.

"I saw a jug," said Mary.

"It was a neat jug," she said.

Rug
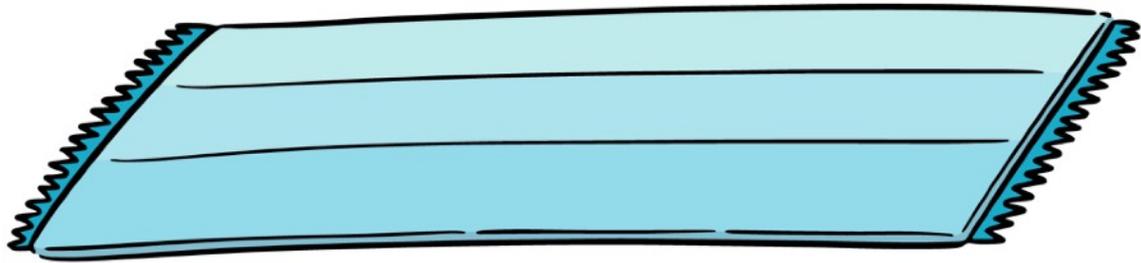
Mary saw a rug.

It was a neat rug.

"I saw a rug," said Mary.

"It was a neat rug," she said.

Bun

Mary saw a bun.

It was a neat bun.

"I saw a bun," said Mary.

"It was a neat bun," she said.

Cup

Mary saw a cup.

It was a neat cup.

"I saw a cup," said Mary.

"It was a neat cup," she said.

Bus

Mary saw a bus.

It was a neat bus.

"I saw a bus," said Mary.

"It was a neat bus," she said.

Hut

Mary saw a hut.

It was a neat hut.

"I saw a hut," said Mary.

"It was a neat hut," she said.

Nut

Mary saw a nut.

It was a neat nut.

"I saw a nut," said Mary.

"It was a neat nut," she said.

Mary Went to a Farm

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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.2

Fiction

Mary went to a farm. She saw a horse. It was a nice horse.
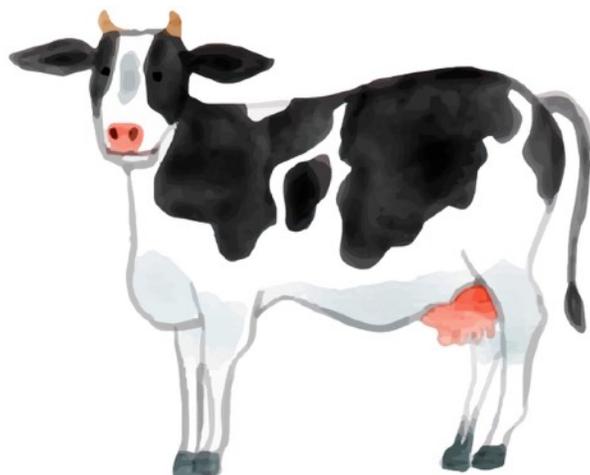
Mary went to a farm. She saw a cow. It was a nice cow.

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

Mary went to a farm. A pig was there. It was a nice pig.
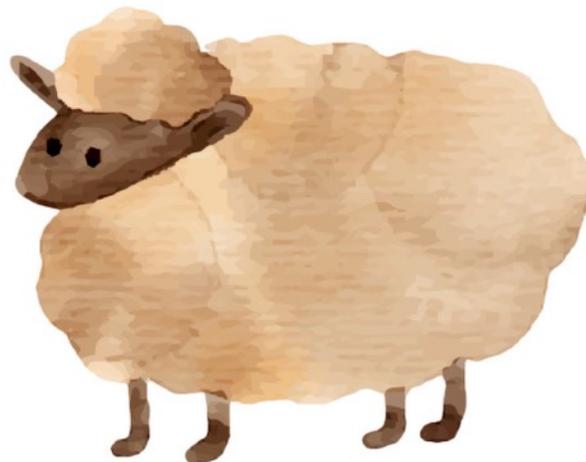
Mary went to a farm. There was a sheep. It was a nice sheep.

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

Mary went to a

farm. It had a duck.

It was a nice duck.
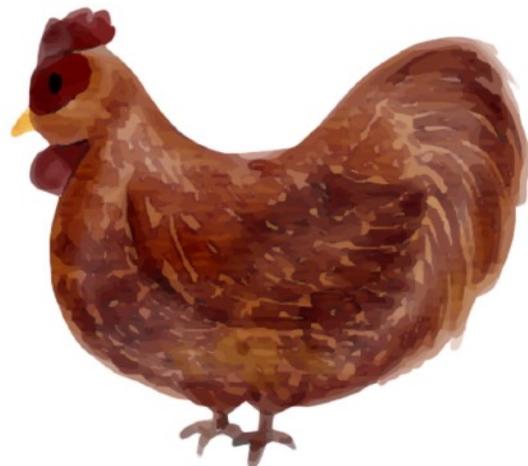
Mary went to a farm. It had a chicken. It was a nice chicken.

Mary was happy that she went to a nice farm.

Mary Went to a City

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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

Fiction

Mary went to a city. She saw a train. It was a nice train.
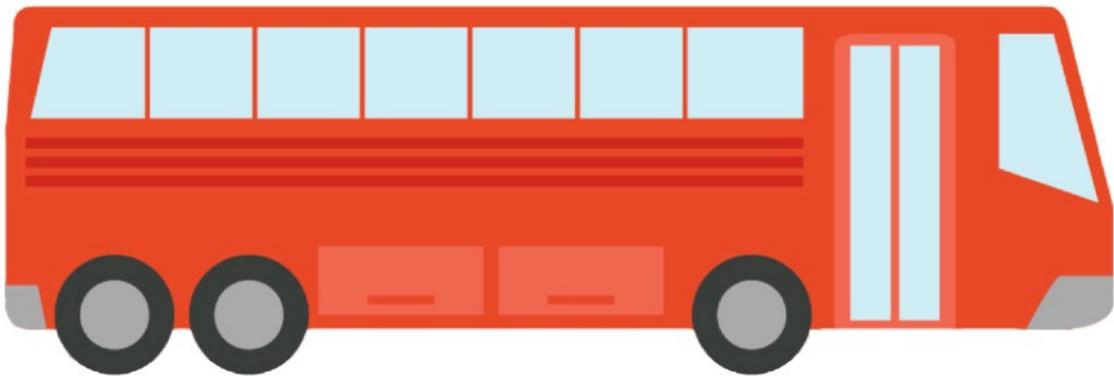
Mary went to a city. She saw a bus.

It was a nice bus.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Mary was happy that she went to a nice city.

Mary Is In This Story

Bird

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"What are you doing?" Cody asked the cat.

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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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Octopus

One day Cody woke up. He was an octopus.

"Mom, I am an octopus," said Cody.

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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

Mary was a bird. One day she flew past a cat. The cat was on a hill.

"What are you doing?" Mary asked the cat.

"I am sitting on a hill," said the cat.

"Come and fly with me," said Mary.

"I cannot fly," said the cat.

"That is too bad," said Mary.

"I will go and fly all around," said Mary.

"I will then come back and tell you all about it," she said.

"That would be nice," said the cat.

So Mary went and flew all around.

She then came back to the cat.

Mary told the cat what she had seen.

The cat was happy.

"Thank you," said the cat.

"You are welcome," said Mary.

Falling Star

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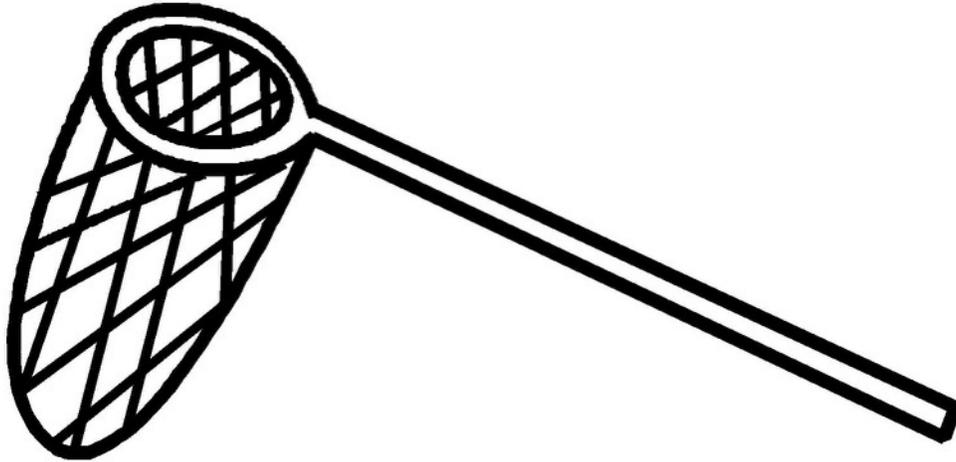
"What should we do?" said her dad.

"I know what to do," said Mary.

She ran and got a big net.

Mary 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 Mary's dad.

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

Mary 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.

Mary was proud that she had saved a falling star.
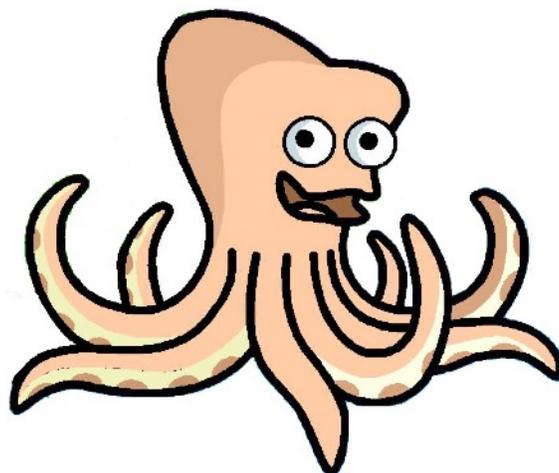
Octopus

One day Mary woke up.
She was an octopus.
"Mom, I am an
octopus," said Mary.

"That is nice. Now figure out what to do with your eight arms," said her mom.

Mary thought and thought.

"I think I will play some music," she said.

She got out a guitar and played it.

She got out a trumpet and played it.

She got out a drum and played it.

She then got out a maraca and played it.

"I bet I can play all of these at once with my eight arms," said Mary.

She picked up the maraca. She put the drum next to her. She picked up the trumpet. She then picked up the guitar.

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

"Your band sounds
great," said her mother.

"Thanks, Mom. It is fun to be a one octopus band," said Mary.

Basketball

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"Good morning, Teacher," said Mary as she walked into her classroom before school.

"Good morning," said her teacher who was sitting at the teacher's desk. "How can I help you?"

"I want to be a basketball," said Mary.

"Why do you want to be a basketball?" asked her teacher.

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

"Okay you can become a basketball. Please come over here," said the teacher. Mary's teacher reached inside the teacher's desk and pulled out the lucky buffalo coin. Mary walked over to the teacher's desk. Her teacher held the coin above Mary's head.

"Basketball, basketball, basketball," said the teacher.

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

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

"Do you want to go out and play basketball?" asked Mary the basketball. Her friend stopped right in her tracks and looked at the talking basketball.

"How can a basketball talk?" she asked.

"It's me, Mary," said Mary. "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 Mary 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 Mary back inside."

Mary's friend grabbed Mary the basketball and ran outside with her.

"Cool basketball," said the other kids on the playground.

"It is just me, your friend, Mary," said the basketball.

"Neat," said the kids.

The kids all played basketball with Mary the basketball.

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

"Not a bit," said Mary. "Shoot me through the hoop again."

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

"That sure is fun," said Mary. "Thanks."

The school bell then rang. Mary's friend went back into the classroom with Mary and walked over to their teacher.
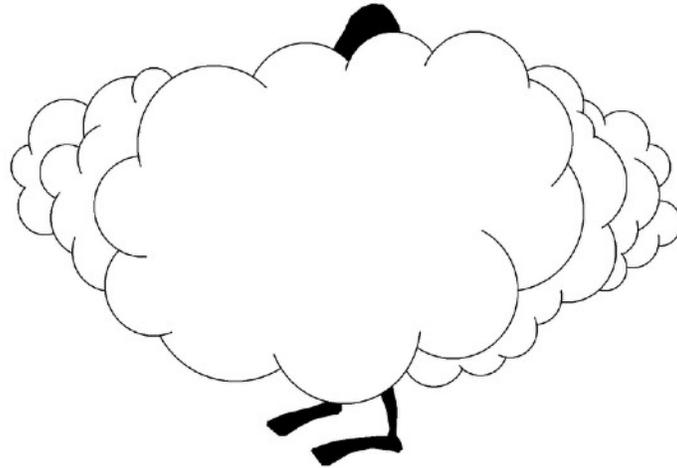
The teacher held up the lucky buffalo coin and said, "Mary, Mary, Mary." There was a *poof*, then some white smoke, and Mary was Mary the girl again.

"Thank you. It was a lot of fun being a basketball. Maybe tomorrow I can be a baseball," said Mary.

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