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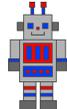


## Played

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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## 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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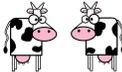
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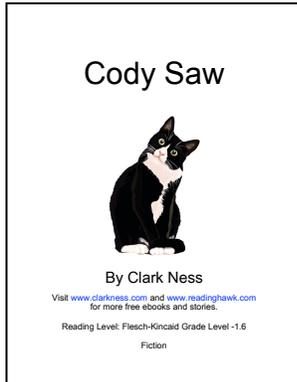
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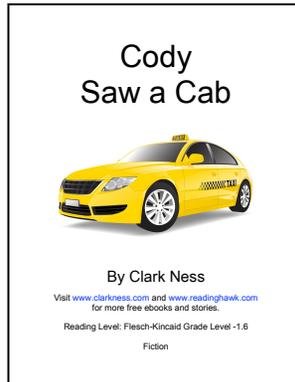
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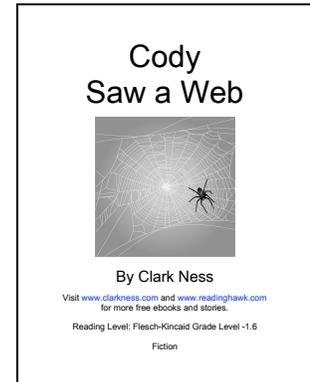
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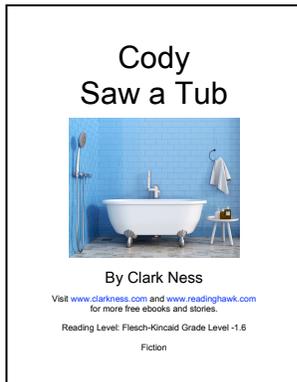
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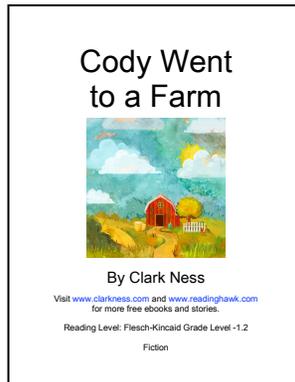
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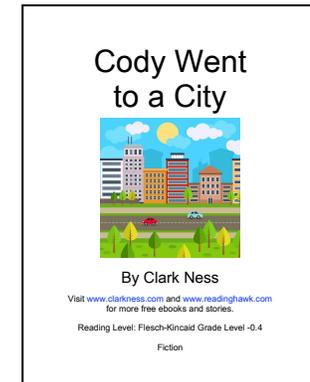
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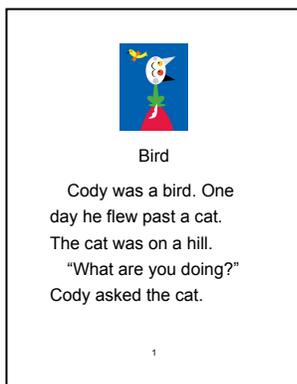


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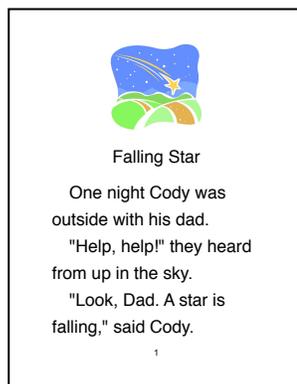


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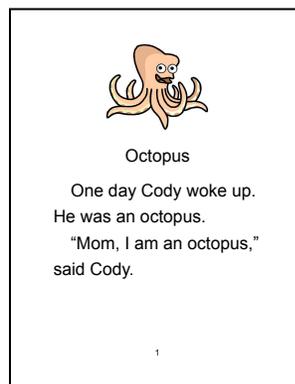
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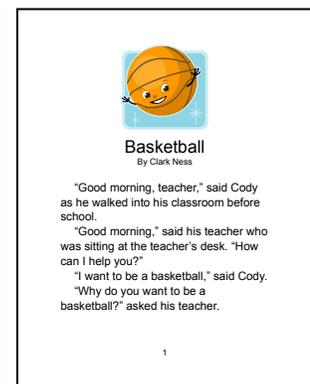
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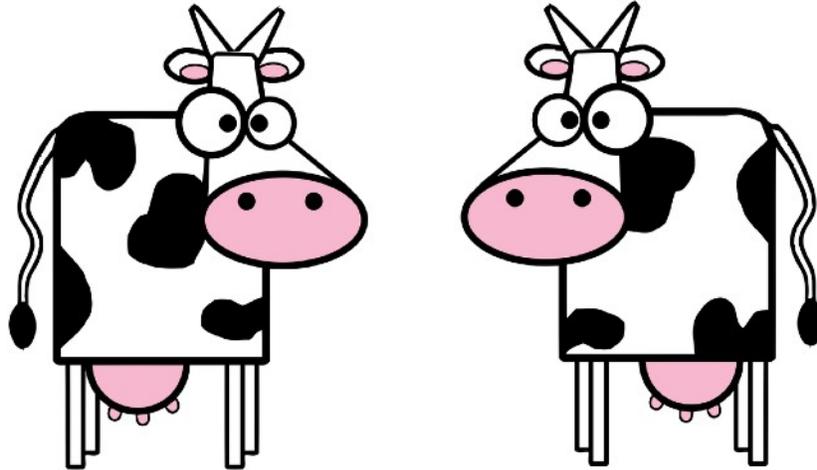
Charlotte and her friends played. They played with a ball. They played in the sand. They played with a dog. They went down the slide.

They had a great time.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.8

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## Two Cows

“I saw two cows,” said Charlotte.

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

“Moo,” said the two COWS.

“Moo,” said Charlotte.

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## Race

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.7

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## Saw a Cat

“I saw a cat,” said  
Charlotte.

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

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.5

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## Out of the Water

Charlotte 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.

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## Fox

Charlotte went for a walk and met a fox.

“How do you do?” said Charlotte 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 Charlotte.

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## Crocodile

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

Her friends thought she looked cool.

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## Singing Flower

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

Charlotte thinks that singing is fun.

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## Christmas Tree

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

Her dog helped too. The tree looked great.

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## Read a Book

“I think I will read a book,” said Charlotte. Soon she was done.

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

Soon she was done reading seven books.

“That was fun,” said Charlotte.

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## Ice Cream Truck

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

“I hope it stops by my home.”

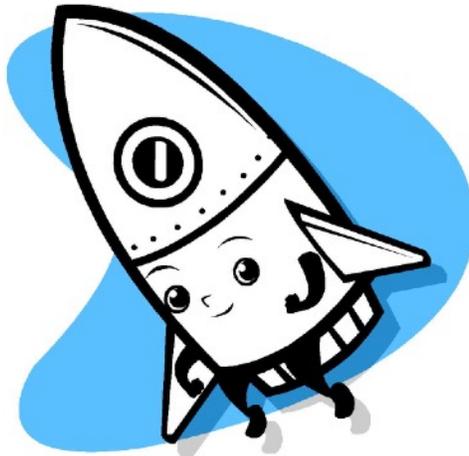
“I want to buy an ice cream treat.”

“It will taste so good.”

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## Rocket

“I want to be a rocket,”  
said Charlotte.

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

“Now that was fun,” said  
Charlotte.

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## Surfing Dog

Charlotte 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.

Charlotte thinks surfing  
is cool.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.6

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## Cat Lover

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

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.5

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## Dog Lover

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

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

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## Fly to School

One day Charlotte 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  
Charlotte.

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## Happy Cat

“Can you see me?” said  
Charlotte.

“I am a cat.”

“I am a happy cat.”

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

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## Happy Dog

“Can you see me?” said  
Charlotte.

“I am a dog.”

“I am a happy dog.”

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

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## Rhino

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

Charlotte likes being a rhino.

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## A Deer

Charlotte went for a walk. She was very quiet. She looked.

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

Charlotte was glad that she saw a baby deer.

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## Pet Dragon

“I want a pet dragon,”  
said Charlotte.

“It could play with me.”

“It could read books to  
me.”

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

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## Owl

Charlotte went for a walk  
and saw an owl.

It sat up in a tree.

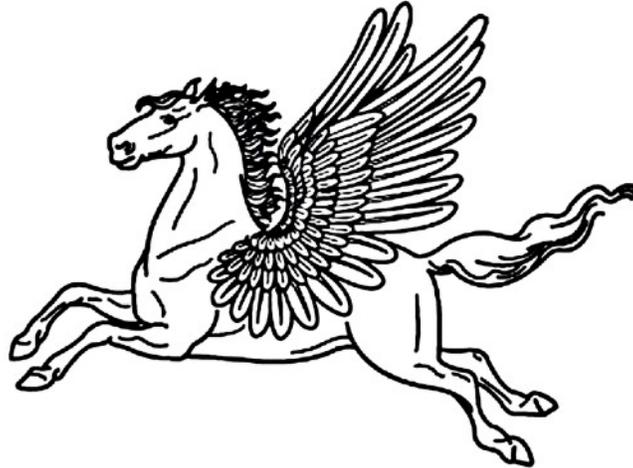
The owl said, “*Whoo,  
whoo, who, who.*”

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

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## Horse With Wings

One day Charlotte became a horse with wings.

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

They all had fun.

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## Astronaut

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

“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 Charlotte. She is a happy turtle. She likes to run.

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

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## Giraffe

“I am a giraffe,” said Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

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## Bubbles

Charlotte made bubbles.

Some bubbles were big.

Some bubbles were small.

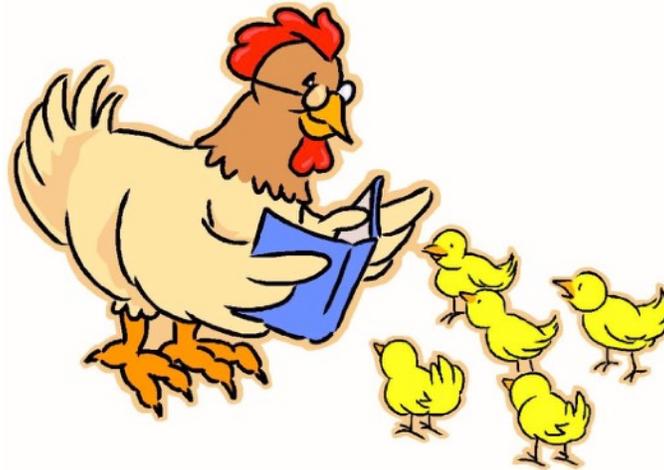
Charlotte made a lot of  
bubbles. She had fun.

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## Chicken

“I saw a chicken,” said Charlotte.

“She wore glasses and had a book.”

“She was reading to her chicks.”

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.1

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## Horses

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

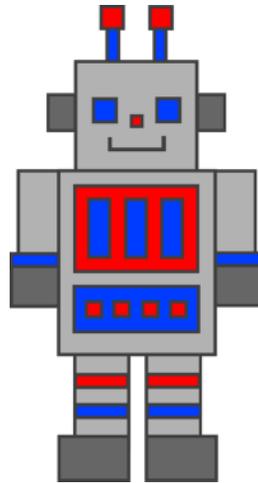
Charlotte liked seeing the  
horses.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.1

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## Robot

“Can I have a robot?”  
said Charlotte.

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.1

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## Sheep

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

“It was knitting a sock.”

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

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.1

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## Snow Skiing

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

“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.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.1

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## Rabbit

“I want to be a rabbit,”  
said Charlotte.

“I would have two long  
ears.”

“I could hop and hop.”

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.2

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## Cowgirl

“I am going to be a cowgirl,” said Charlotte.

“I will have a rope.”

“I will ride a horse.”

“I will herd my cattle.”

“It will be neat to be a cowgirl,” said Charlotte.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.3

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## Bear

Charlotte 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 Charlotte.

“Yes, it is,” said the bear.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.5

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## Soccer Ball

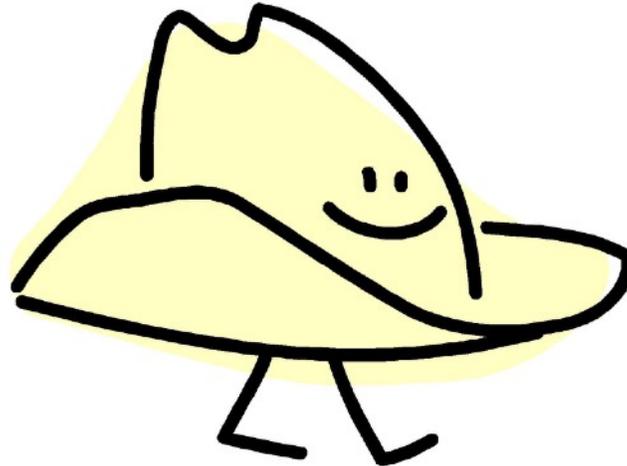
Charlotte has a soccer ball. She plays soccer with it every day.

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.5

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## Hat

Charlotte saw a hat walk by.

“Where are you going?” asked Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte saw a rat.

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

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

“Hope you have fun,” said Charlotte.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.7

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## Safari

“I went to Africa,” said  
Charlotte.

“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

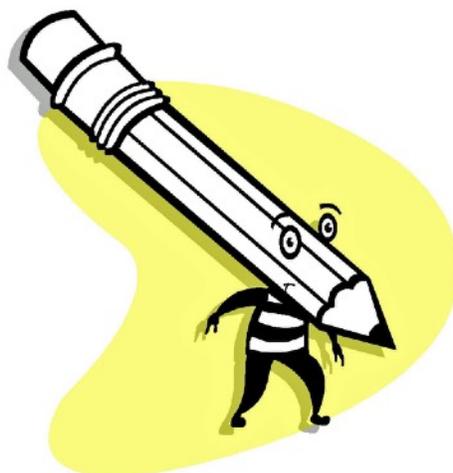
“I have a pencil,” said Charlotte. “I use it every day. I write stories with it. I answer questions. I solve math problems.”

“My pencil is a great tool to have.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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## Pencil

One day Charlotte woke up.

She was a pencil.

“I think I will write a story,” said Charlotte. She 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 Charlotte. “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  
Charlotte.

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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 Charlotte.

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

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## Snake

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

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

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

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## Elephant

“I went to a pet shop,”  
said Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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## Monsters

“I saw three monsters today,” said Charlotte.

“They were happy monsters going for a walk.”

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

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## Pet Shop

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

“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 Charlotte.

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 Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

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 Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

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## Airplane

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

“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

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

Charlotte likes being a  
kangaroo.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.9

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## Lemonade

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

Charlotte made \$5.00 in one day.

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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 Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

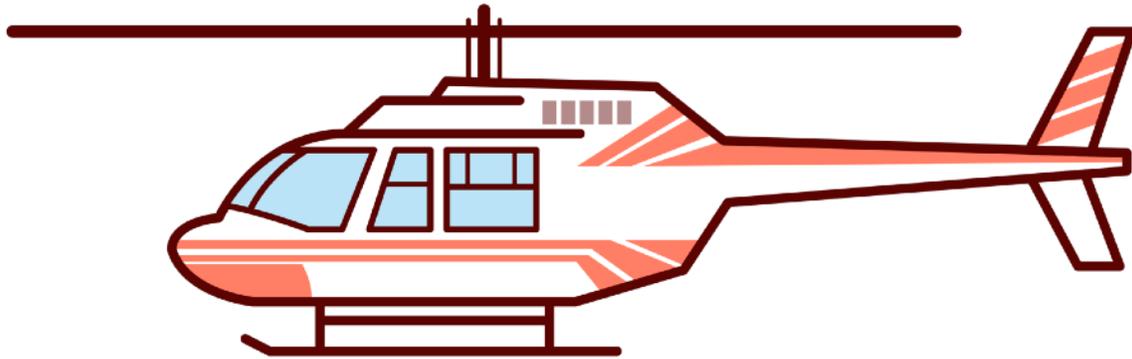
“It will be so much fun.”

“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 Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

“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

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

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 4.7

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# Charlotte Saw



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Fiction

# Cat



Charlotte saw a cat.

It was a big cat.

“I saw a cat,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big cat,” she  
said.

# Bat



Charlotte saw a bat.

It was a big bat.

“I saw a bat,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big bat,” she  
said.

# Rat



Charlotte saw a rat.

It was a big rat.

“I saw a rat,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big rat,” she  
said.

# Ant



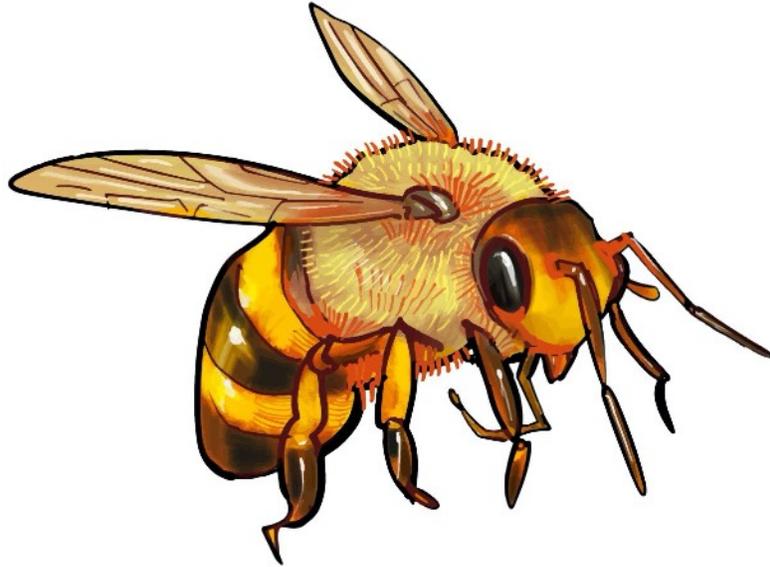
Charlotte saw an ant.

It was a big ant.

“I saw an ant,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big ant,” she  
said.

# Bee



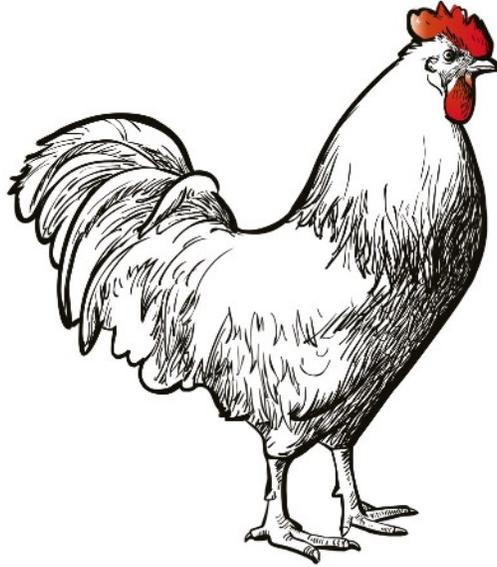
Charlotte saw a bee.

It was a big bee.

“I saw a bee,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big bee,” she  
said.

# Hen



Charlotte saw a hen.

It was a big hen.

“I saw a hen,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big hen,” she  
said.

# Elk



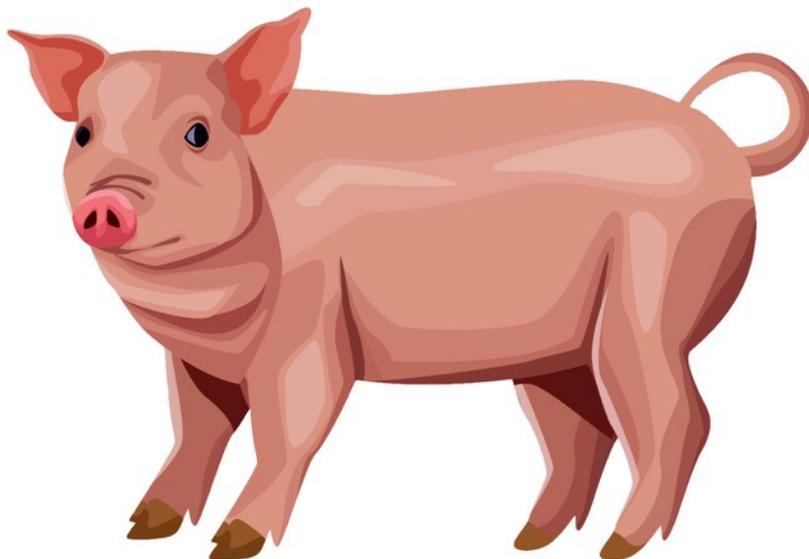
Charlotte saw an elk.

It was a big elk.

“I saw an elk,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big elk,” she  
said.

# Pig



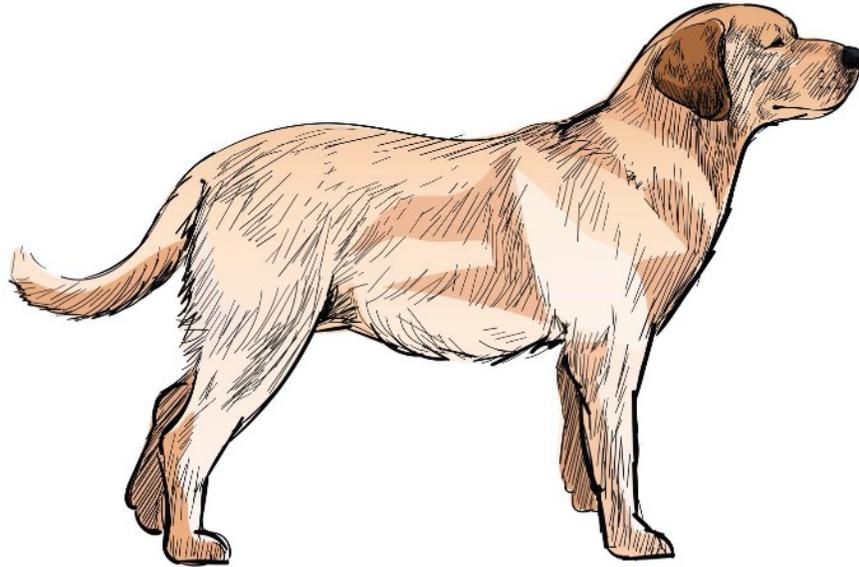
Charlotte saw a pig.

It was a big pig.

“I saw a pig,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big pig,” she  
said.

# Dog



Charlotte saw a dog.

It was a big dog.

“I saw a dog,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big dog,” she  
said.

# Cod



Charlotte saw a cod.

It was a big cod.

“I saw a cod,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big cod,” she  
said.

# Fox



Charlotte saw a fox.

It was a big fox.

“I saw a fox,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big fox,” she  
said.

# Cow



Charlotte saw a cow.

It was a big cow.

“I saw a cow,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big cow,” she  
said.

# Owl



Charlotte saw an owl.

It was a big owl.

“I saw an owl,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big owl,” she  
said.

# Bug



Charlotte saw a bug.

It was a big bug.

“I saw a bug,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big bug,” she  
said.

# Pup



Charlotte saw a pup.

It was a big pup.

“I saw a pup,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big pup,” she  
said.

# Fly



Charlotte saw a fly.

It was a big fly.

“I saw a fly,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a big fly,” she  
said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

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# Charlotte Saw a Cab



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Fiction

# Cab



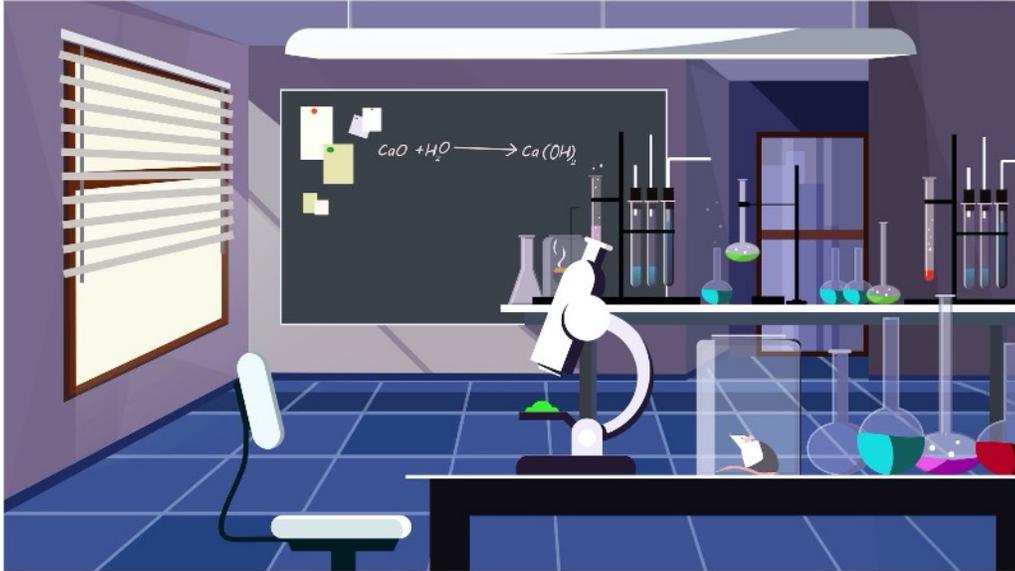
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It was a nice cab.

“I saw a cab,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice cab,” she  
said.

# Lab



Charlotte saw a lab.

It was a nice lab.

“I saw a lab,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice lab,” she  
said.

# Bag



Charlotte saw a bag.

It was a nice bag.

“I saw a bag,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice bag,” she  
said.

# Rag



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Charlotte saw a rag.  
It was a nice rag.  
“I saw a rag,” said  
Charlotte.  
“It was a nice rag,” she  
said.

# Yam



Charlotte saw a yam.

It was a nice yam.

“I saw a yam,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice yam,” she  
said.

# Can



Charlotte saw a can.

It was a nice can.

“I saw a can,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice can,” she  
said.

# Fan



Charlotte saw a fan.

It was a nice fan.

“I saw a fan,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice fan,” she  
said.

# Pan



Charlotte saw a pan.

It was a nice pan.

“I saw a pan,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice pan,” she  
said.

# Van



Charlotte saw a van.

It was a nice van.

“I saw a van,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice van,” she  
said.

# Cap



Charlotte saw a cap.

It was a nice cap.

“I saw a cap,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice cap,” she  
said.

# Map



Charlotte saw a map.

It was a nice map.

“I saw a map,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice map,” she  
said.

# Bat



Charlotte saw a bat.

It was a nice bat.

“I saw a bat,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice bat,” she  
said.

# Hat



Charlotte saw a hat.

It was a nice hat.

“I saw a hat,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice hat,” she  
said.

# Mat



Charlotte saw a mat.

It was a nice mat.

“I saw a mat,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice mat,” she  
said.

# Vat



Charlotte saw a vat.

It was a nice vat.

“I saw a vat,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a nice vat,” she  
said.

# Sax



Charlotte saw a sax.

It was a nice sax.

“I saw a sax,” said  
Charlotte.

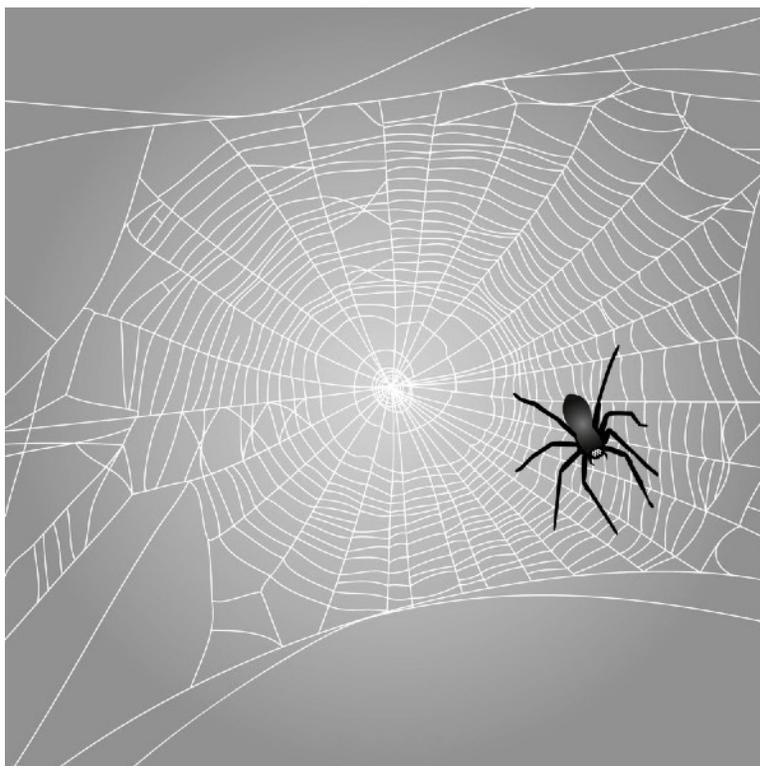
“It was a nice sax,” she  
said.

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# Charlotte Saw a Web



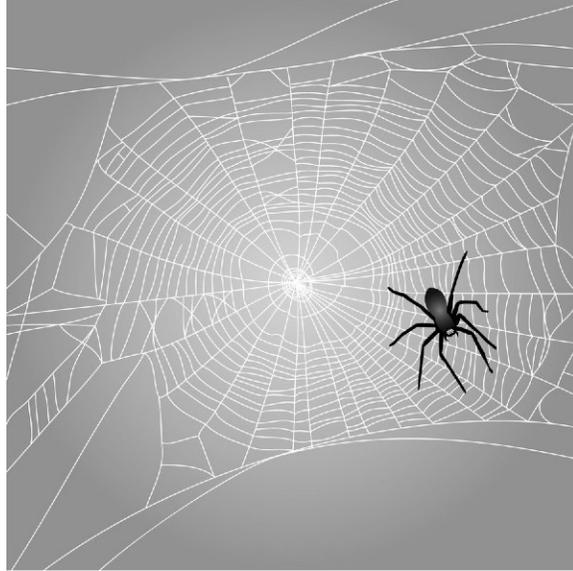
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Fiction

# Web



Charlotte saw a web.

It was a cool web.

“I saw a web,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool web,” she  
said.

# Gem



Charlotte saw a gem.

It was a cool gem.

“I saw a gem,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool gem,” she  
said.

# Pen



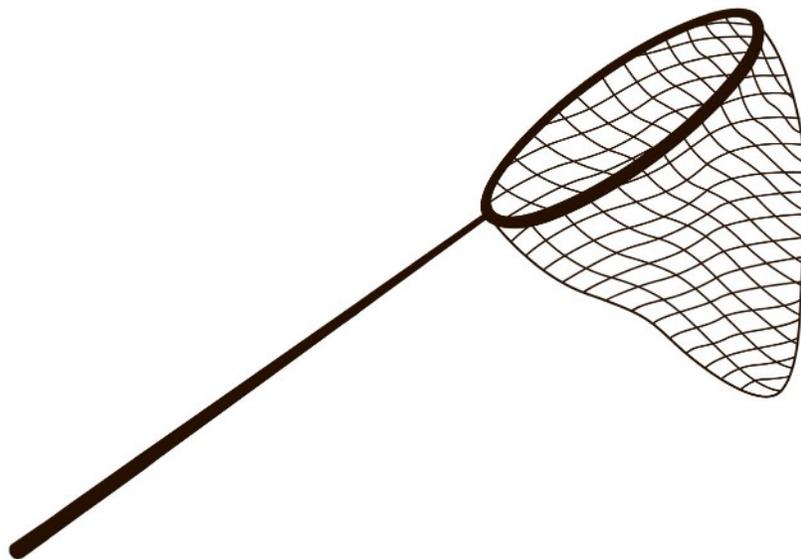
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It was a cool pen.

“I saw a pen,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool pen,” she  
said.

# Net



Charlotte saw a net.

It was a cool net.

“I saw a net,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool net,” she  
said.

# Jet



Charlotte saw a jet.

It was a cool jet.

“I saw a jet,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool jet,” she  
said.

# Wig



Charlotte saw a wig.

It was a cool wig.

“I saw a wig,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool wig,” she  
said.

# Bin



Charlotte saw a bin.

It was a cool bin.

“I saw a bin,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool bin,” she  
said.

# Fin



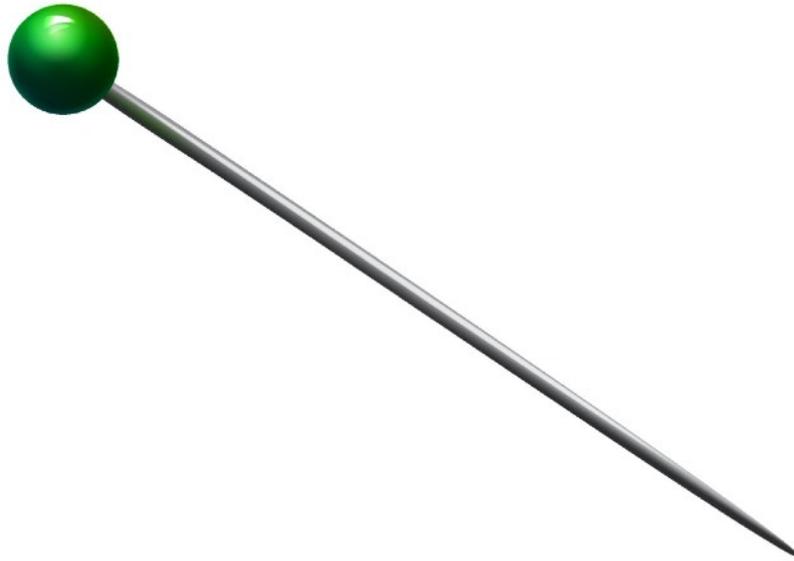
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It was a cool fin.

“I saw a fin,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool fin,” she  
said.

# Pin



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It was a cool pin.

“I saw a pin,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool pin,” she  
said.

# Rod



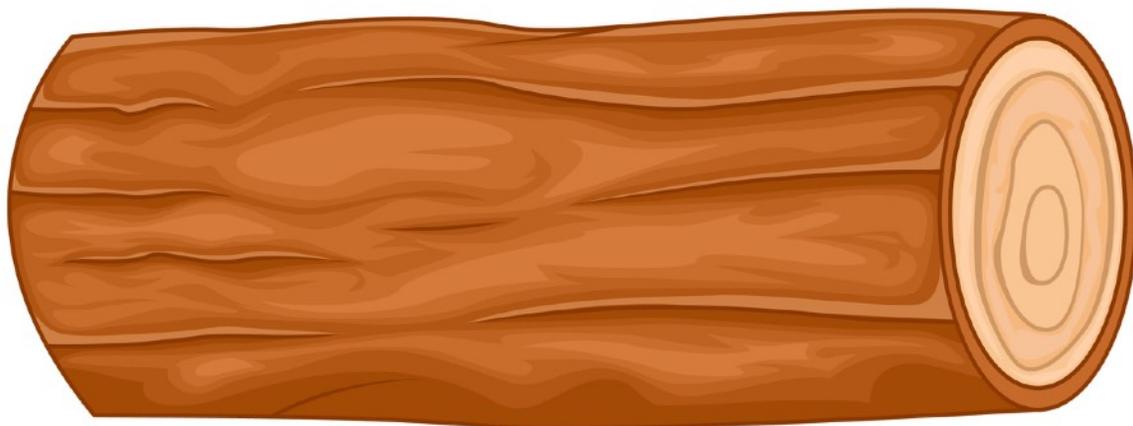
Charlotte saw a rod.

It was a cool rod.

“I saw a rod,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool rod,” she  
said.

# Log



Charlotte saw a log.

It was a cool log.

“I saw a log,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool log,” she  
said.

# Mop



Charlotte saw a mop.

It was a cool mop.

“I saw a mop,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool mop,” she  
said.

# Top



Charlotte saw a top.

It was a cool top.

“I saw a top,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool top,” she  
said.

# Cot



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Charlotte saw a cot.  
It was a cool cot.  
“I saw a cot,” said  
Charlotte.  
“It was a cool cot,” she  
said.

# Pot



Charlotte saw a pot.

It was a cool pot.

“I saw a pot,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a cool pot,” she  
said.

# Box



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

“It was a cool box,” she  
said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

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# Charlotte Saw a Tub



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Fiction

# Tub



Charlotte saw a tub.

It was a neat tub.

“I saw a tub,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a neat tub,” she  
said.

# Jug



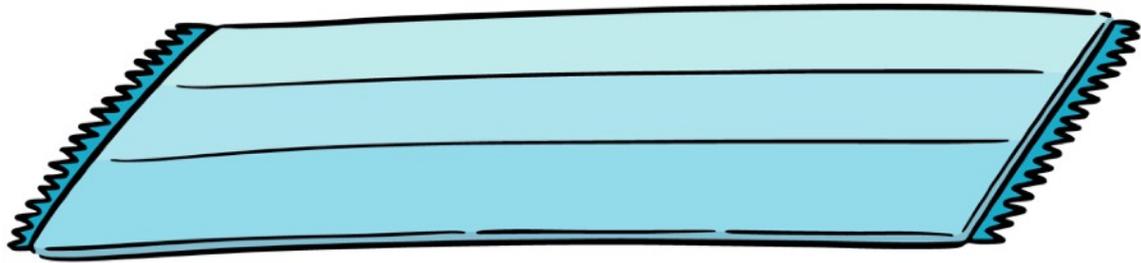
Charlotte saw a jug.

It was a neat jug.

“I saw a jug,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a neat jug,” she  
said.

# Rug



Charlotte saw a rug.

It was a neat rug.

“I saw a rug,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a neat rug,” she  
said.

# Bun



Charlotte saw a bun.

It was a neat bun.

“I saw a bun,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a neat bun,” she  
said.

# Cup



Charlotte saw a cup.

It was a neat cup.

“I saw a cup,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a neat cup,” she  
said.

# Bus



Charlotte saw a bus.

It was a neat bus.

“I saw a bus,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a neat bus,” she  
said.

# Hut



Charlotte saw a hut.

It was a neat hut.

“I saw a hut,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a neat hut,” she  
said.

# Nut



Charlotte saw a nut.

It was a neat nut.

“I saw a nut,” said  
Charlotte.

“It was a neat nut,” she  
said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

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# Charlotte Went to a Farm



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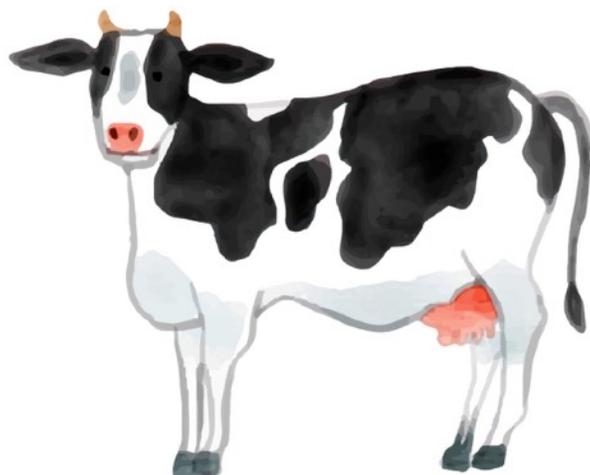
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Fiction



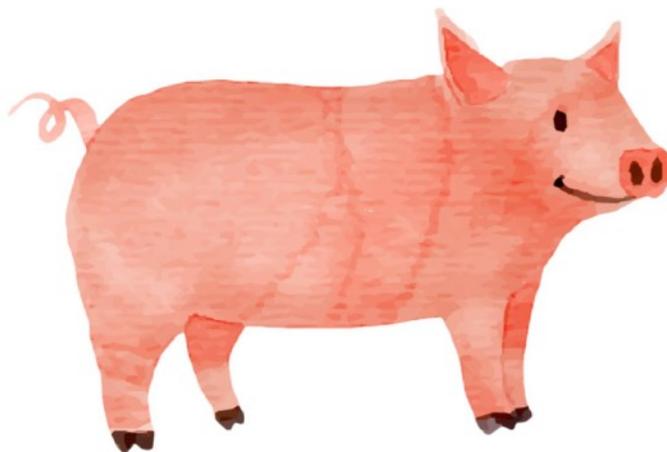
Charlotte went to  
a farm. She saw a  
horse. It was a nice  
horse.



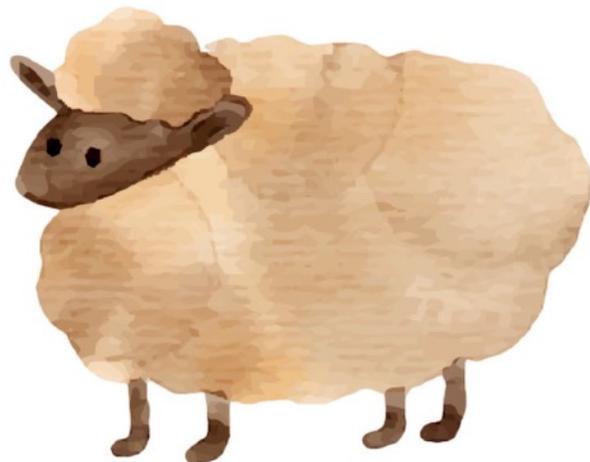
Charlotte went to  
a farm. She saw a  
cow. It was a nice  
COW.



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



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



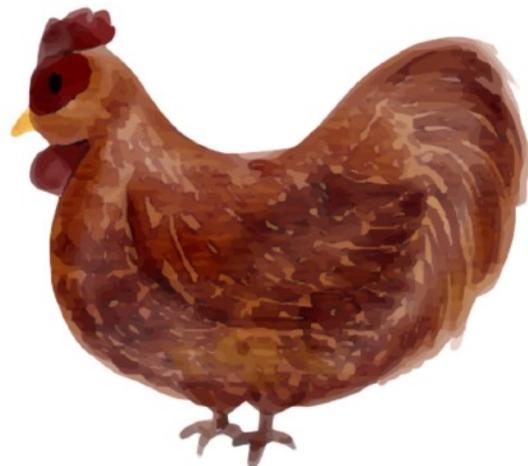
Charlotte went to  
a farm. There was a  
sheep. It was a nice  
sheep.



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



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



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



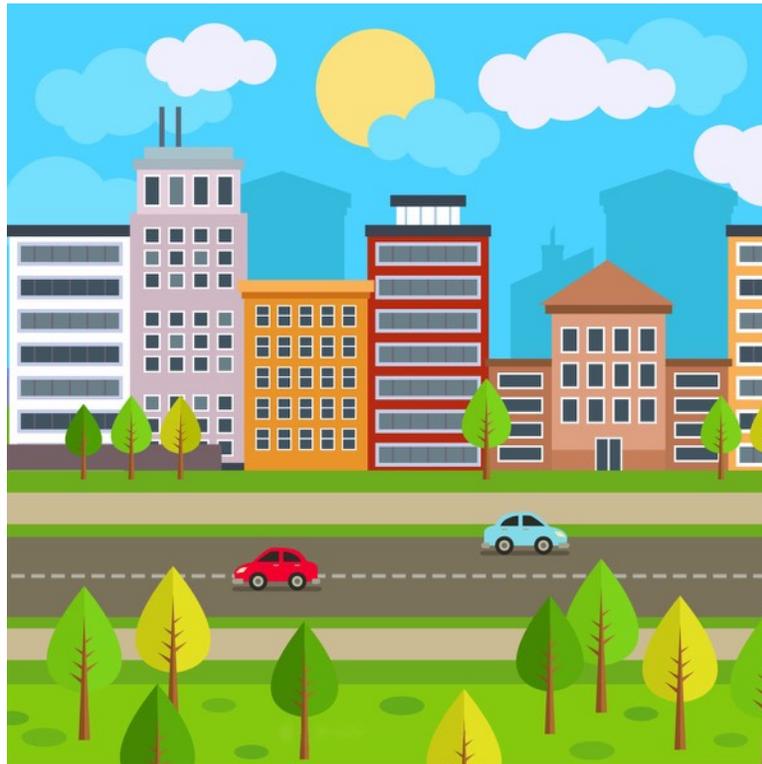
Charlotte was  
happy that she went  
to a nice farm.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.2

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# Charlotte Went to a City



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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

Fiction



Charlotte went to  
a city. She saw a  
train. It was a nice  
train.



Charlotte went to  
a city. She saw a  
bus. It was a nice  
bus.



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



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



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



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



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



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



Charlotte was  
happy that she went  
to a nice city.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

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# Charlotte 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

By Clark Ness

"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

Charlotte was a bird.  
One day she flew past a  
cat.

The cat was on a hill.

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



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

“Come and fly with me,”  
said Charlotte.

“I cannot fly,” said the  
cat.

“That is too bad,” said  
Charlotte.



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

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

“That would be nice,” said the cat.



So Charlotte went and  
flew all around.

She then came back to  
the cat.

Charlotte told the cat  
what she had seen.

The cat was happy.



“Thank you,” said the  
cat.

“You are welcome,”  
said Charlotte.

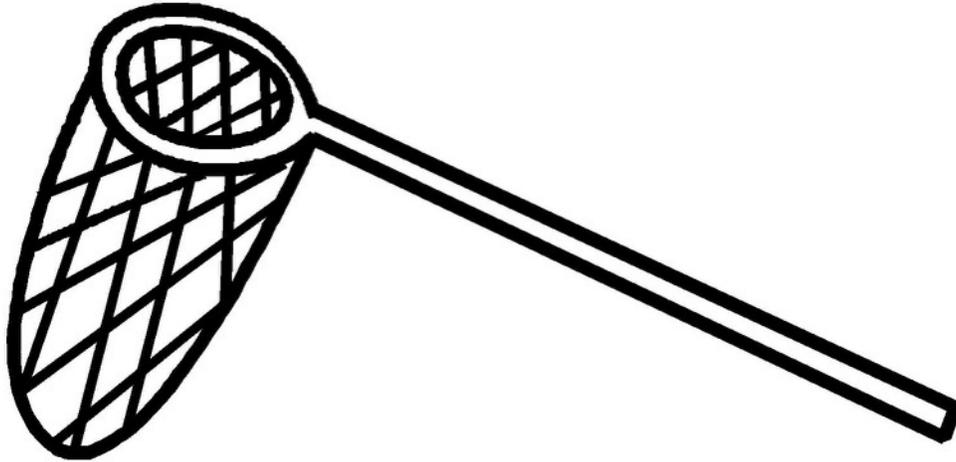


## Falling Star

One night Charlotte was outside with her dad.

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

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



"What should we do?"  
said her dad.

"I know what to do,"  
said Charlotte.

She ran and got a big  
net.



Charlotte 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 Charlotte's dad.



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

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



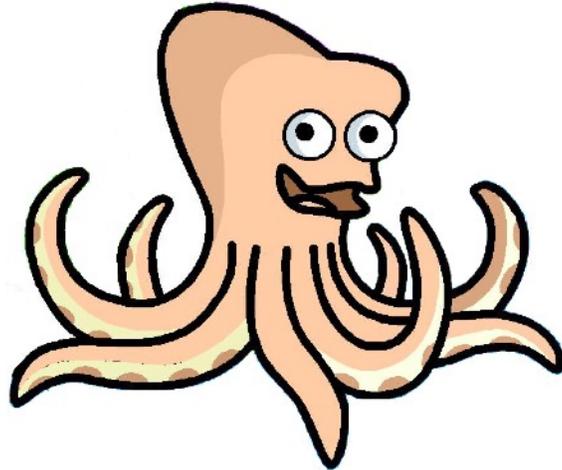
"Thanks so much," said the star from high up in the sky.

Charlotte was proud that she had saved a falling star.

Flesch Kincaid Grade Level -0.1

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## Octopus

One day Charlotte woke up. She was an octopus.

“Mom, I am an octopus,” said Charlotte.



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

Charlotte 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 Charlotte.

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



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 Charlotte.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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# Basketball

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“Good morning, Teacher,” said Charlotte 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 Charlotte.

“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 Charlotte.

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

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



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

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

“Do you want to go out and play basketball?” asked Charlotte 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, Charlotte,” said Charlotte. “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 Charlotte 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 Charlotte back inside.”

Charlotte’s friend grabbed Charlotte the basketball and ran outside with her.

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

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

“Neat,” said the kids.



The kids all played basketball with Charlotte the basketball.

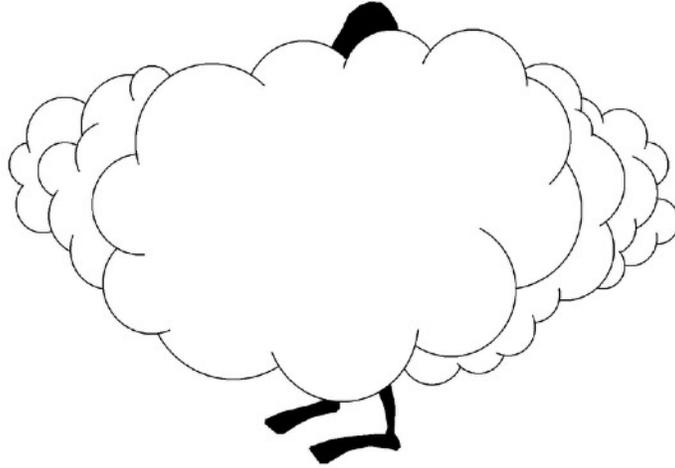
“Does it hurt being a basketball?” asked one of the friends.

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

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

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

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



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

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

“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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