

Julian 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

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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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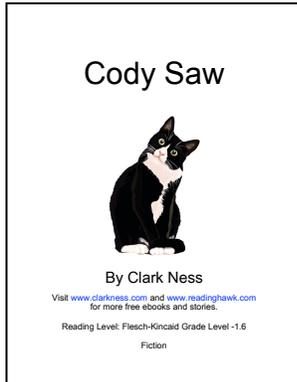
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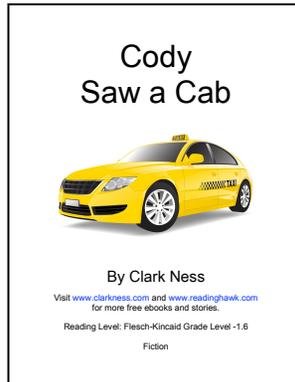
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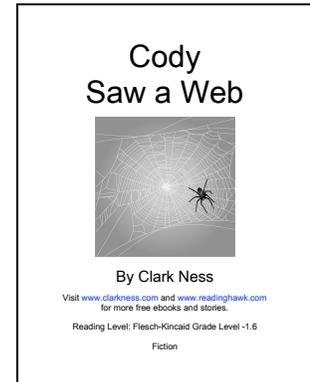
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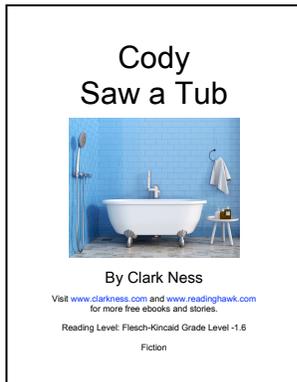
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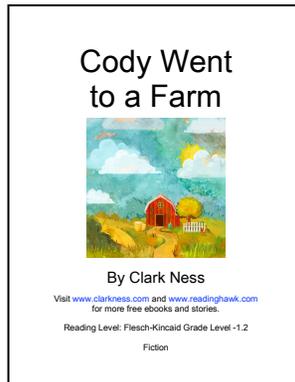
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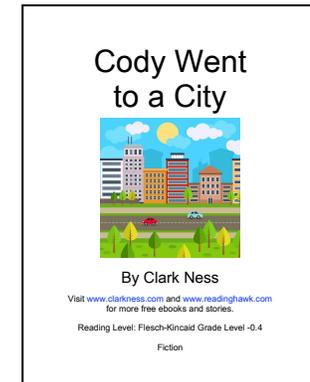
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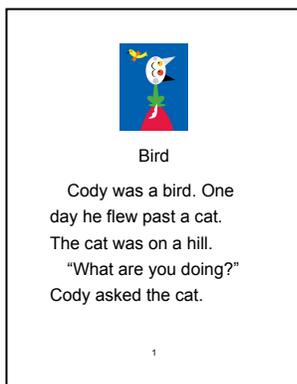


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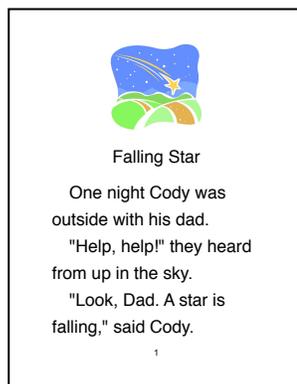


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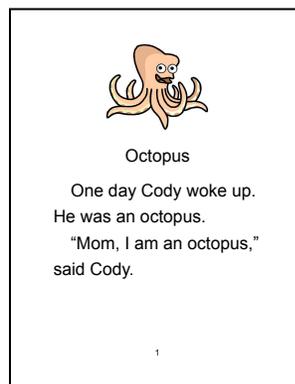
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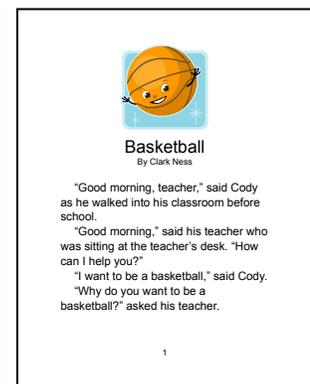
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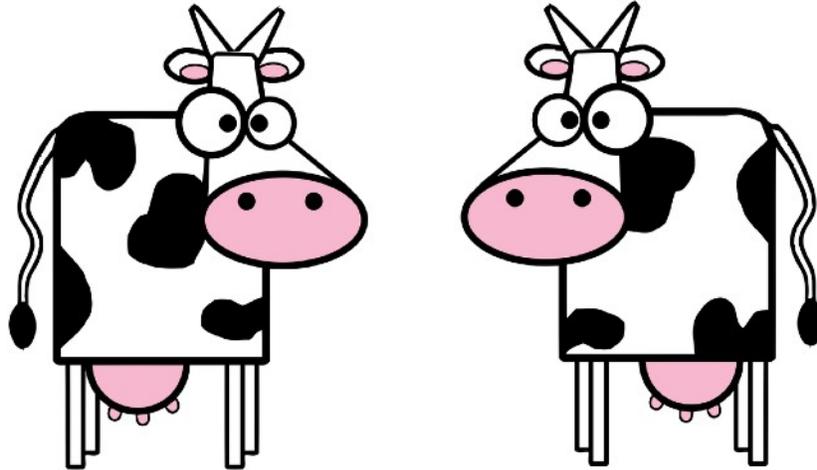
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Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.8

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Two Cows

“I saw two cows,” said Julian.

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

“Moo,” said the two COWS.

“Moo,” said Julian.

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Race

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

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Saw a Cat

“I saw a cat,” said Julian.

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

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

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Out of the Water

Julian 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

Julian went for a walk
and met a fox.

“How do you do?” said
Julian 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 Julian.

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Crocodile

One day Julian 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

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

Julian thinks that singing is fun.

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Christmas Tree

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

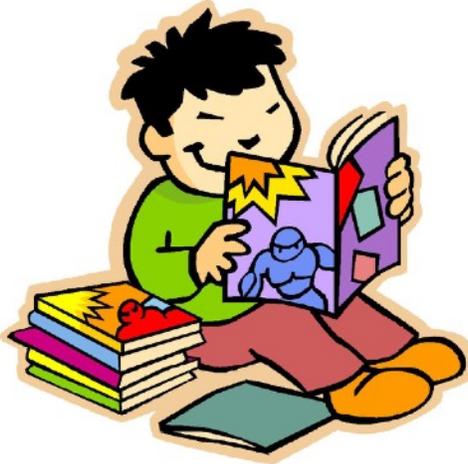
His dog helped too. The tree looked great.

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Read a Book

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

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

Soon he was done reading seven books.

“That was fun,” said Julian.

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Ice Cream Truck

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

“I hope it stops by my home.”

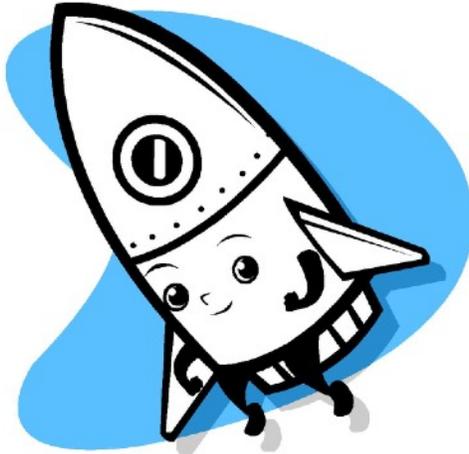
“I want to buy an ice cream treat.”

“It will taste so good.”

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Rocket

“I want to be a rocket,”
said Julian.

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

“Now that was fun,” said
Julian.

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Surfing Dog

Julian 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.

Julian thinks surfing is cool.

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Cat Lover

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

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

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Dog Lover

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Fly to School

One day Julian 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 Julian.

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Happy Cat

“Can you see me?” said
Julian.

“I am a cat.”

“I am a happy cat.”

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

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Happy Dog

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Rhino

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

Julian likes being a rhino.

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A Deer

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

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

Julian was glad that he saw a baby deer.

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Pet Dragon

“I want a pet dragon,”
said Julian.

“It could play with me.”

“It could read books to
me.”

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

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Owl

Julian went for a walk
and saw an owl.

It sat up in a tree.

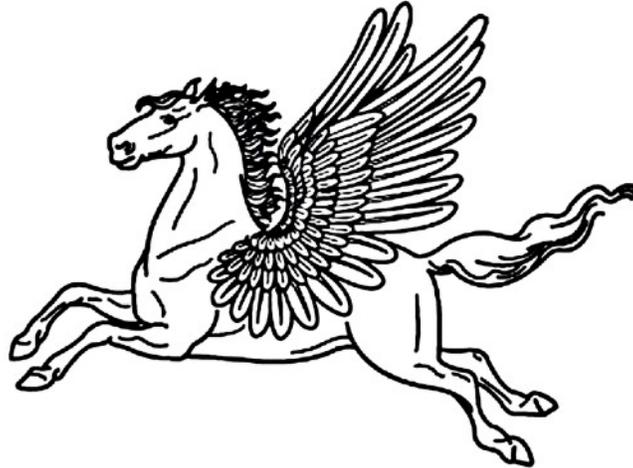
The owl said, “*Whoo,
whoo, who, who.*”

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

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Horse With Wings

One day Julian became
a horse with wings.

He flew to his school.
Julian 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 Julian.

“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 Julian. He is a happy turtle. He likes to run.

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

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Giraffe

“I am a giraffe,” said Julian.

“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 Julian.

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Bubbles

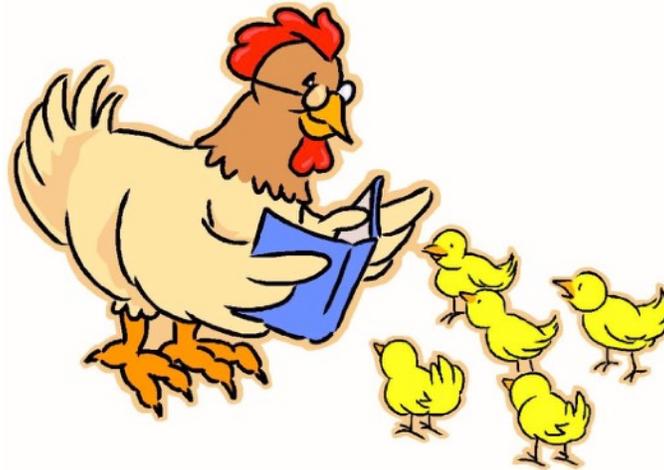
Julian made bubbles.
Some bubbles were big.
Some bubbles were small.
Julian made a lot of
bubbles. He had fun.

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Chicken

“I saw a chicken,” said Julian.

“She wore glasses and had a book.”

“She was reading to her chicks.”

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

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Horses

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

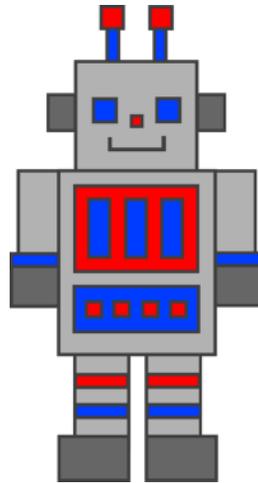
Julian liked seeing the
horses.

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Robot

“Can I have a robot?”
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“A robot could play
games with me. A robot
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A robot would be neat.”

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Sheep

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

“It was knitting a sock.”

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

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

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Snow Skiing

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

“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.

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Rabbit

“I want to be a rabbit,”
said Julian.

“I would have two long
ears.”

“I could hop and hop.”

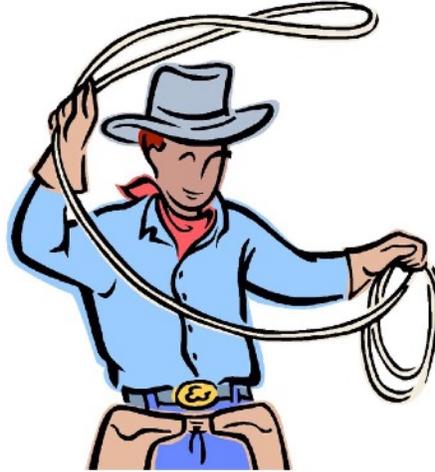
“I would even like to eat
carrots,” said Julian.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.2

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Cowboy

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

“I will have a rope.”

“I will ride a horse.”

“I will herd my cattle.”

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.3

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Bear

Julian 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 Julian.

“Yes, it is,” said the bear.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.5

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Soccer Ball

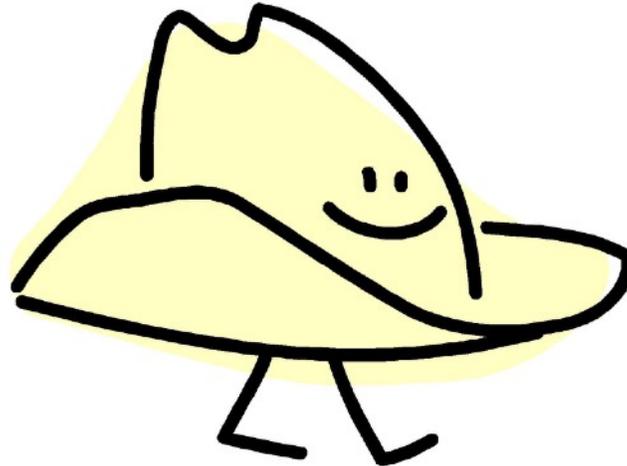
Julian has a soccer ball.
He plays soccer with it
every day.

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.5

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Hat

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

“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 Julian saw a rat.

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

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

“Hope you have fun,” said Julian.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.7

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Safari

“I went to Africa,” said Julian.

“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.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.7

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I Have a Pencil

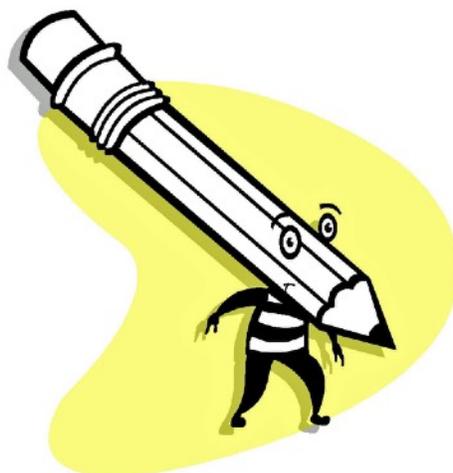
“I have a pencil,” said Julian. “I use it every day. I write stories with it. I answer questions. I solve math problems.”

“My pencil is a great tool to have.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Pencil

One day Julian woke up.
He was a pencil.

“I think I will write a
story,” said Julian. 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 Julian. “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
Julian.

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 Julian.

“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 Julian.

“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 Julian.

“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 Julian.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Monsters

“I saw three monsters today,” said Julian.

“They were happy monsters going for a walk.”

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Pet Shop

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

“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 Julian.

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 Julian.

“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 Julian.

“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 Julian.

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 Julian.

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.2

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Singing Fish

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

“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 Julian.

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 Julian.

“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

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

Julian likes being a kangaroo.

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Lemonade

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

Julian 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 Julian.

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

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Submarine

“I went on a submarine,”
said Julian.

“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

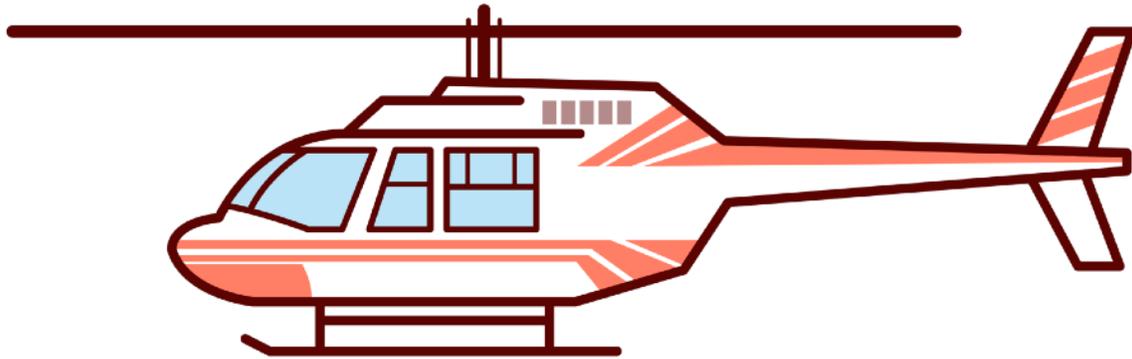
“I am going to build a treehouse,” said Julian. “It will be so much fun.”

“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 Julian.

“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 Julian.

“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

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

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

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 4.7

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Julian Saw



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Fiction

Cat



Julian saw a cat.

It was a big cat.

“I saw a cat,” said Julian.

“It was a big cat,” he
said.

Bat



Julian saw a bat.

It was a big bat.

“I saw a bat,” said Julian.

“It was a big bat,” he
said.

Rat



Julian saw a rat.

It was a big rat.

“I saw a rat,” said Julian.

“It was a big rat,” he
said.

Ant



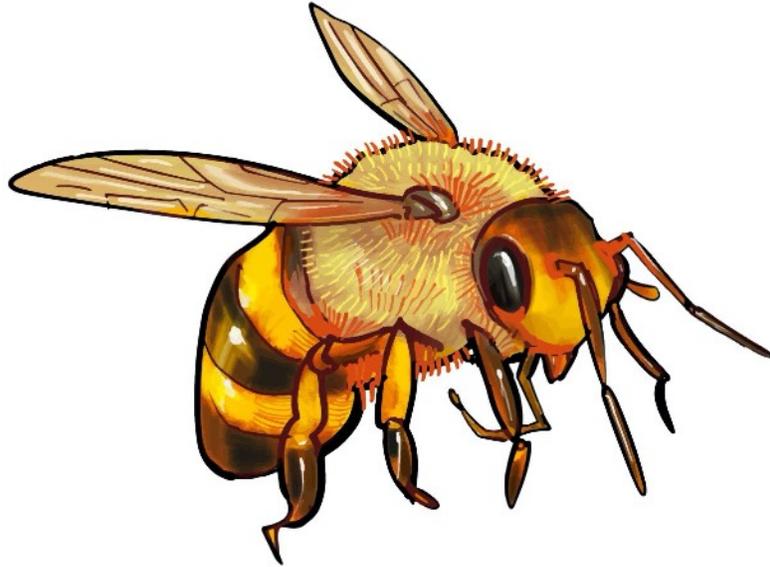
Julian saw an ant.

It was a big ant.

“I saw an ant,” said
Julian.

“It was a big ant,” he
said.

Bee



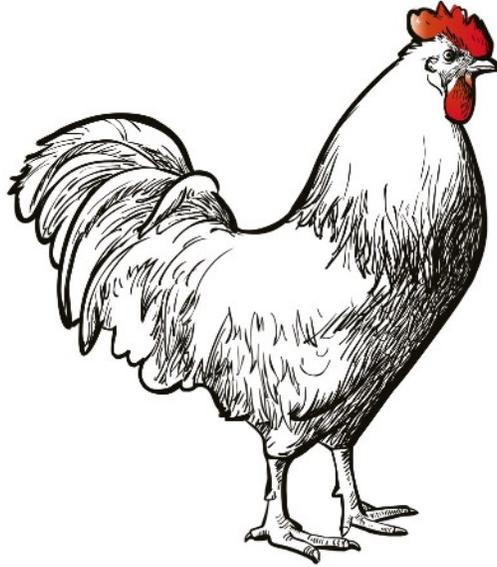
Julian saw a bee.

It was a big bee.

“I saw a bee,” said
Julian.

“It was a big bee,” he
said.

Hen



Julian saw a hen.

It was a big hen.

“I saw a hen,” said
Julian.

“It was a big hen,” he
said.

Elk



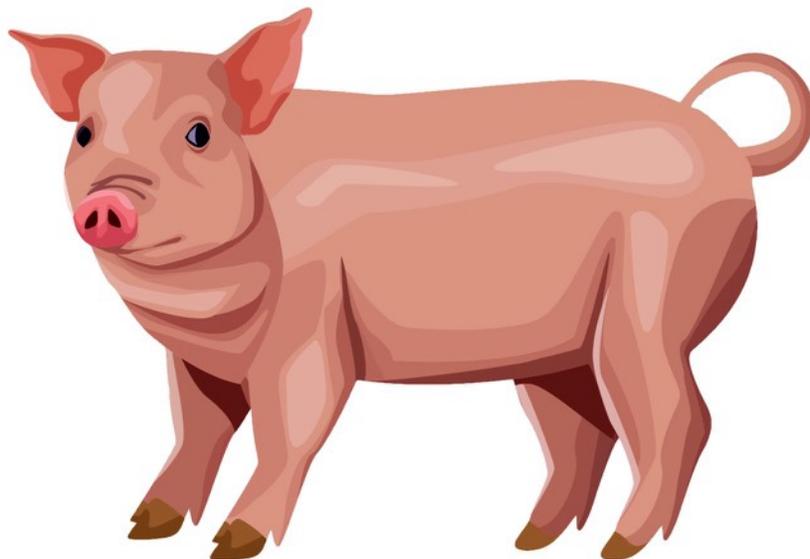
Julian saw an elk.

It was a big elk.

“I saw an elk,” said
Julian.

“It was a big elk,” he
said.

Pig



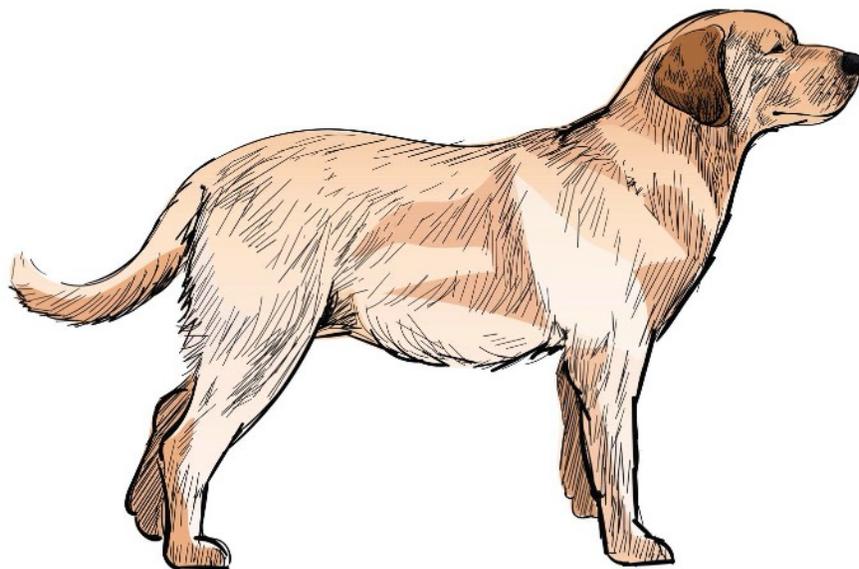
Julian saw a pig.

It was a big pig.

“I saw a pig,” said Julian.

“It was a big pig,” he
said.

Dog



Julian saw a dog.

It was a big dog.

“I saw a dog,” said
Julian.

“It was a big dog,” he
said.

Cod



Julian saw a cod.

It was a big cod.

“I saw a cod,” said
Julian.

“It was a big cod,” he
said.

Fox



Julian saw a fox.

It was a big fox.

“I saw a fox,” said Julian.

“It was a big fox,” he
said.

Cow



Julian saw a cow.

It was a big cow.

“I saw a cow,” said
Julian.

“It was a big cow,” he
said.

Owl



Julian saw an owl.

It was a big owl.

“I saw an owl,” said
Julian.

“It was a big owl,” he
said.

Bug



Julian saw a bug.

It was a big bug.

“I saw a bug,” said
Julian.

“It was a big bug,” he
said.

Pup



Julian saw a pup.

It was a big pup.

“I saw a pup,” said
Julian.

“It was a big pup,” he
said.

Fly



Julian saw a fly.

It was a big fly.

“I saw a fly,” said Julian.

“It was a big fly,” he said.

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Julian Saw a Cab



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Fiction

Cab



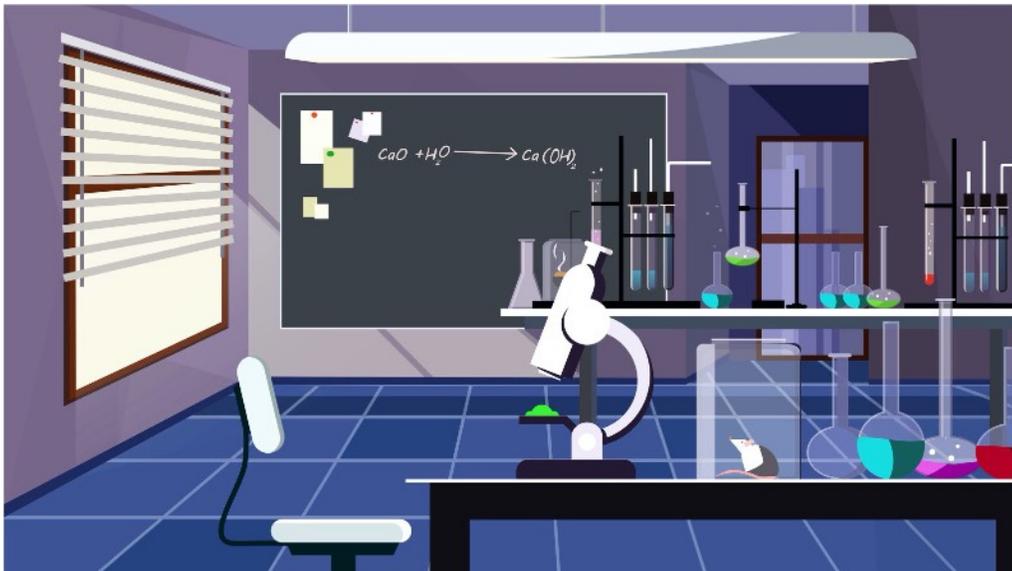
Julian saw a cab.

It was a nice cab.

“I saw a cab,” said
Julian.

“It was a nice cab,” he
said.

Lab



Julian saw a lab.

It was a nice lab.

“I saw a lab,” said Julian.

“It was a nice lab,” he
said.

Bag



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

Rag



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

Yam



Julian saw a yam.

It was a nice yam.

“I saw a yam,” said
Julian.

“It was a nice yam,” he
said.

Can



Julian saw a can.

It was a nice can.

“I saw a can,” said
Julian.

“It was a nice can,” he
said.

Fan



Julian saw a fan.

It was a nice fan.

“I saw a fan,” said Julian.

“It was a nice fan,” he
said.

Pan



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

Van



Julian saw a van.

It was a nice van.

“I saw a van,” said
Julian.

“It was a nice van,” he
said.

Cap



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

Map



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

“It was a nice map,” he
said.

Bat



Julian saw a bat.

It was a nice bat.

“I saw a bat,” said Julian.

“It was a nice bat,” he
said.

Hat



Julian saw a hat.

It was a nice hat.

“I saw a hat,” said Julian.

“It was a nice hat,” he
said.

Mat



Julian saw a mat.

It was a nice mat.

“I saw a mat,” said
Julian.

“It was a nice mat,” he
said.

Vat



Julian saw a vat.
It was a nice vat.
“I saw a vat,” said Julian.
“It was a nice vat,” he
said.

Sax



Julian saw a sax.

It was a nice sax.

“I saw a sax,” said
Julian.

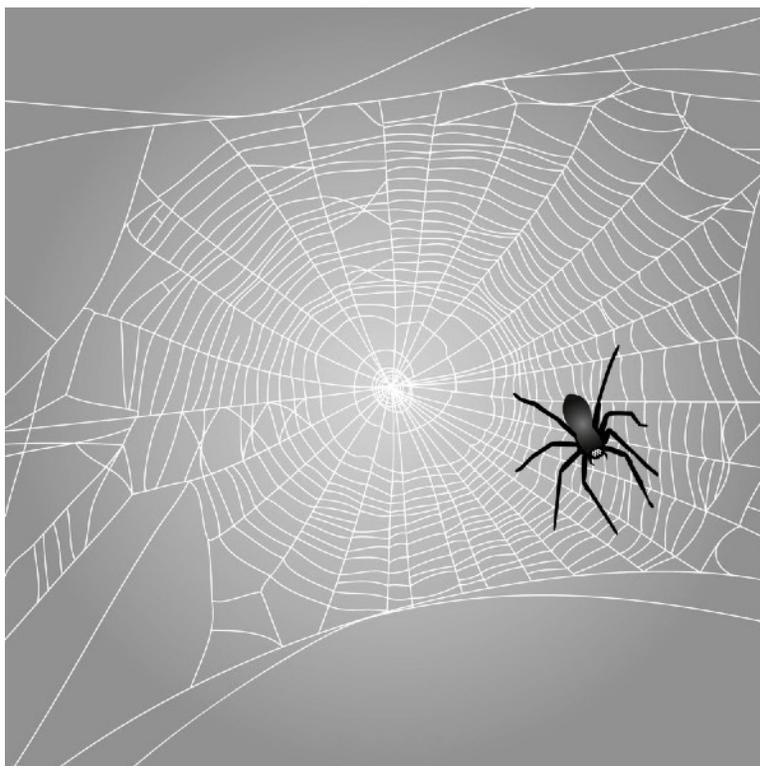
“It was a nice sax,” he
said.

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Julian Saw a Web



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Fiction

Web



Julian saw a web.

It was a cool web.

“I saw a web,” said
Julian.

“It was a cool web,” he
said.

Gem



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

“It was a cool gem,” he
said.

Pen



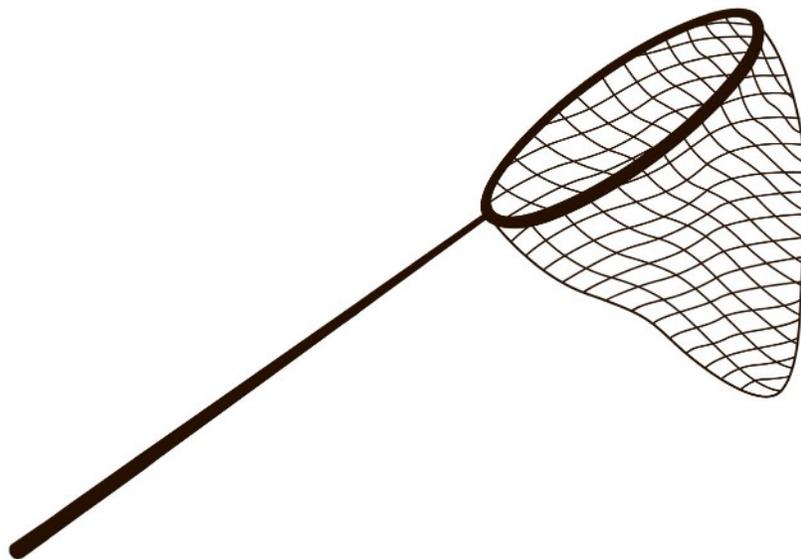
Julian saw a pen.

It was a cool pen.

“I saw a pen,” said
Julian.

“It was a cool pen,” he
said.

Net



Julian saw a net.

It was a cool net.

“I saw a net,” said Julian.

“It was a cool net,” he
said.

Jet



Julian saw a jet.

It was a cool jet.

“I saw a jet,” said Julian.

“It was a cool jet,” he
said.

Wig



Julian saw a wig.

It was a cool wig.

“I saw a wig,” said
Julian.

“It was a cool wig,” he
said.

Bin



Julian saw a bin.

It was a cool bin.

“I saw a bin,” said Julian.

“It was a cool bin,” he
said.

Fin



Julian saw a fin.
It was a cool fin.
“I saw a fin,” said Julian.
“It was a cool fin,” he
said.

Pin



Julian saw a pin.

It was a cool pin.

“I saw a pin,” said Julian.

“It was a cool pin,” he
said.

Rod



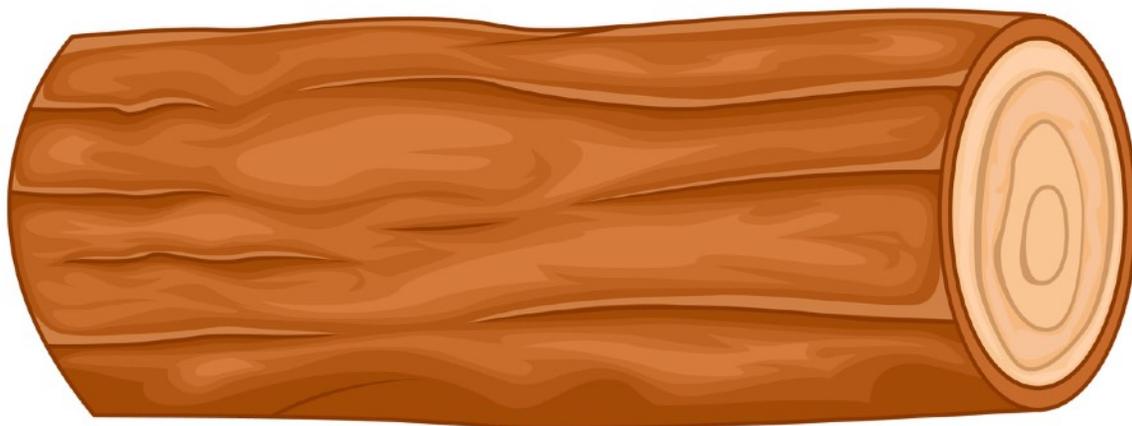
Julian saw a rod.

It was a cool rod.

“I saw a rod,” said Julian.

“It was a cool rod,” he
said.

Log



Julian saw a log.

It was a cool log.

“I saw a log,” said Julian.

“It was a cool log,” he
said.

Mop



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

“It was a cool mop,” he
said.

Top



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

Cot



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

Pot



Julian saw a pot.
It was a cool pot.
“I saw a pot,” said Julian.
“It was a cool pot,” he
said.

Box



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

“It was a cool box,” he
said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

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Julian Saw a Tub



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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

Fiction

Tub



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

Jug



Julian saw a jug.
It was a neat jug.
“I saw a jug,” said Julian.
“It was a neat jug,” he
said.

Rug



Julian saw a rug.

It was a neat rug.

“I saw a rug,” said Julian.

“It was a neat rug,” he
said.

Bun



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

Cup



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

“It was a neat cup,” he
said.

Bus



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

Hut



Julian saw a hut.
It was a neat hut.
“I saw a hut,” said Julian.
“It was a neat hut,” he
said.

Nut



Julian saw a nut.
It was a neat nut.
“I saw a nut,” said Julian.
“It was a neat nut,” he
said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

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Julian Went to a Farm



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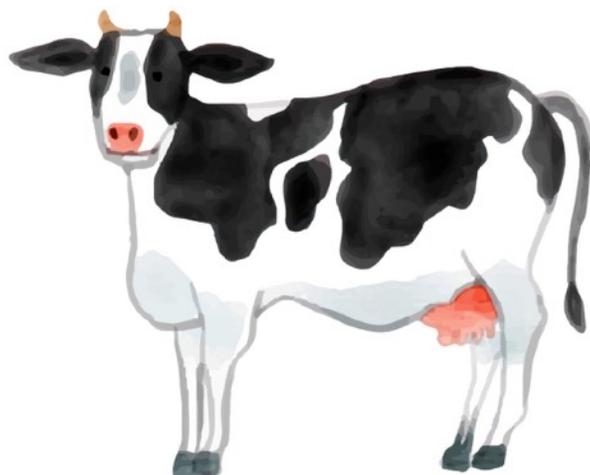
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Fiction



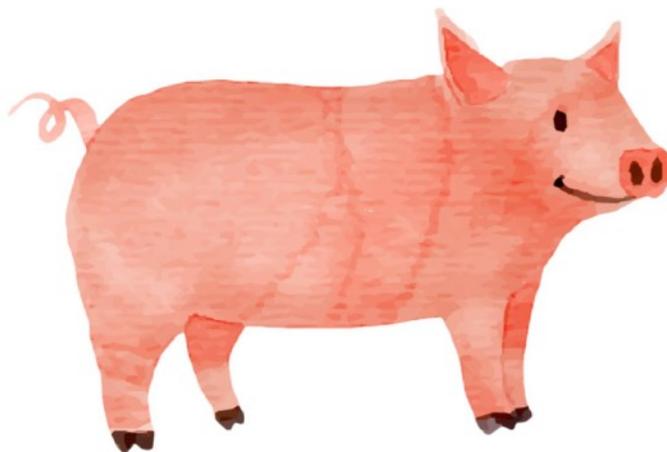
Julian went to a
farm. He saw a
horse. It was a nice
horse.



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



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



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



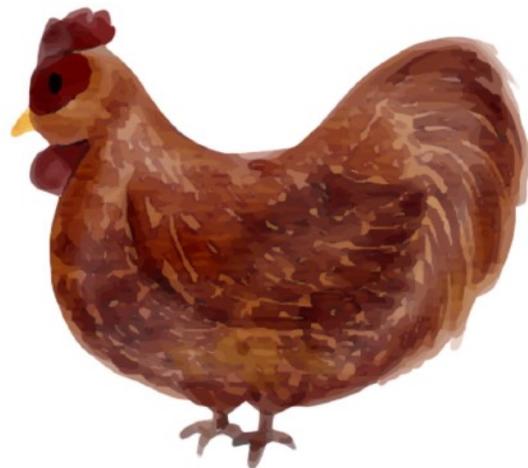
Julian went to a
farm. There was a
sheep. It was a nice
sheep.



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



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



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



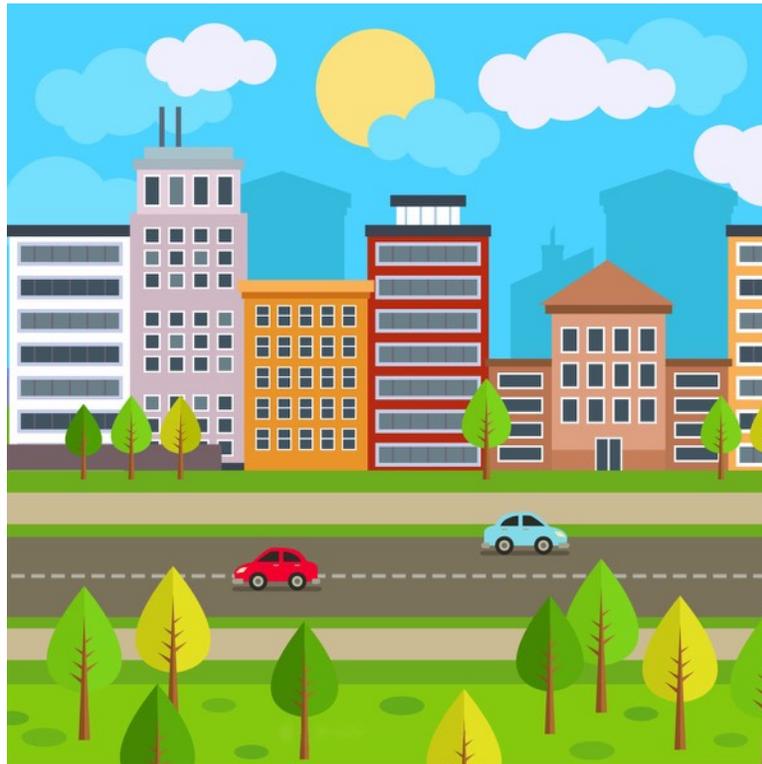
Julian was happy
that he went to a
nice farm.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.2

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Julian Went to a City



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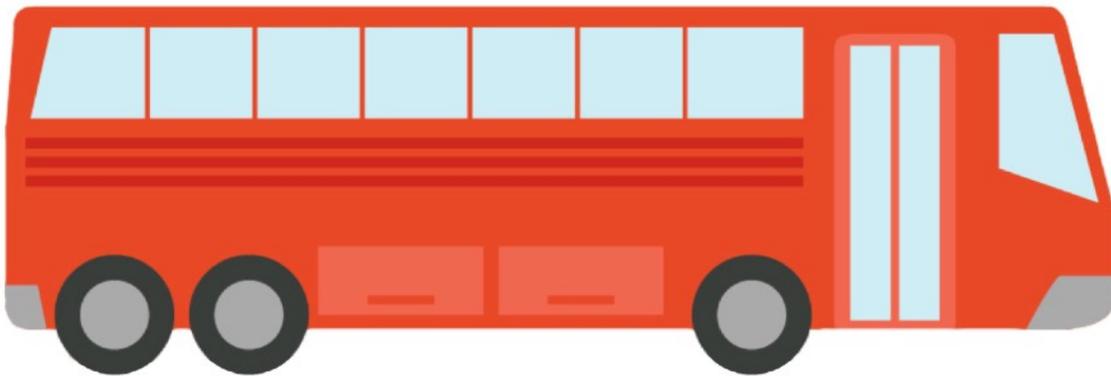
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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

Fiction



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



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



Julian was happy
that he went to a
nice city.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

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Julian 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.

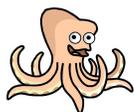
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Falling Star

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.

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

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

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



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

“Come and fly with me,”
said Julian.

“I cannot fly,” said the
cat.

“That is too bad,” said
Julian.



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

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

“That would be nice,” said the cat.



So Julian went and flew
all around.

He then came back to
the cat.

Julian told the cat what
he had seen.

The cat was happy.



“Thank you,” said the
cat.

“You are welcome,”
said Julian.

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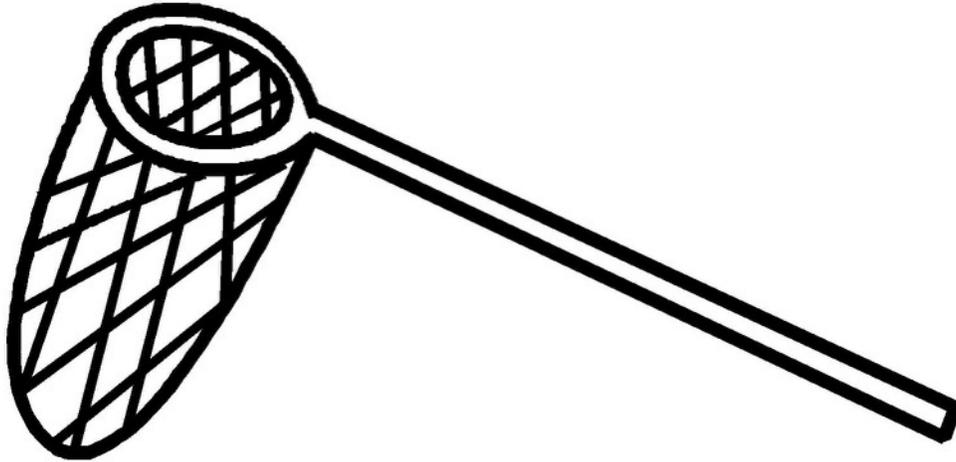


Falling Star

One night Julian was outside with his dad.

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

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



"What should we do?"
said his dad.

"I know what to do,"
said Julian.

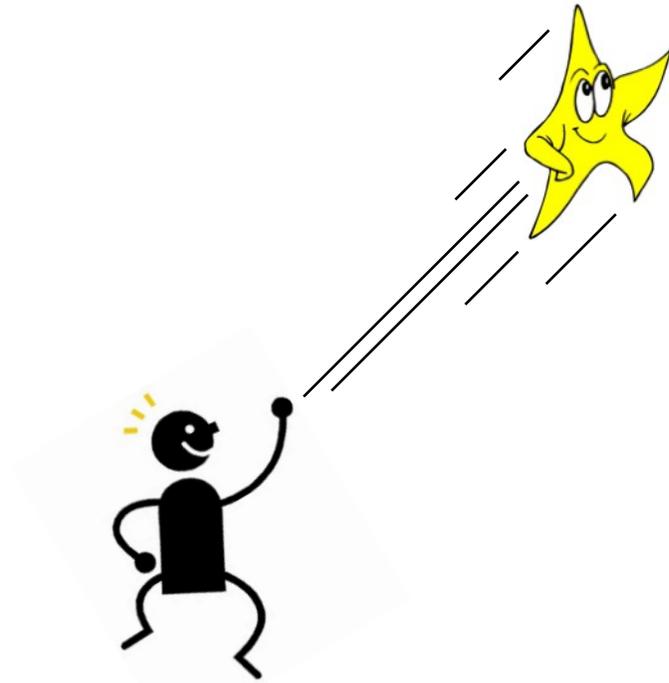
He ran and got a big
net.



Julian 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 Julian's dad.



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

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



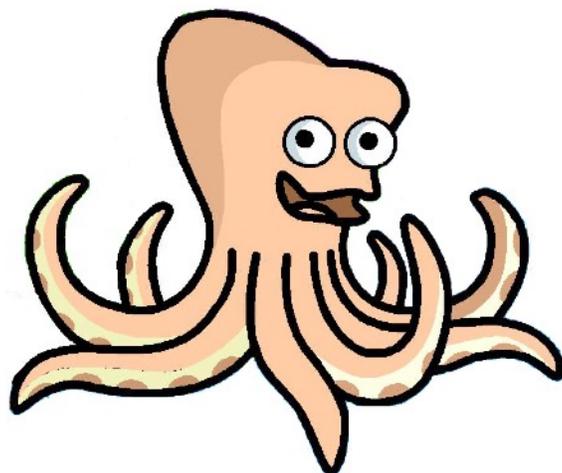
"Thanks so much," said the star from high up in the sky.

Julian was proud that he had saved a falling star.

Flesch Kincaid Grade Level -0.1

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Octopus

One day Julian woke up. He was an octopus.

“Mom, I am an octopus,” said Julian.



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

Julian 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 Julian.

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 Julian.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Basketball

By Clark Ness

“Good morning, Teacher,” said Julian 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 Julian.

“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 Julian.

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

“Neat,” said the kids.



The kids all played basketball with Julian the basketball.

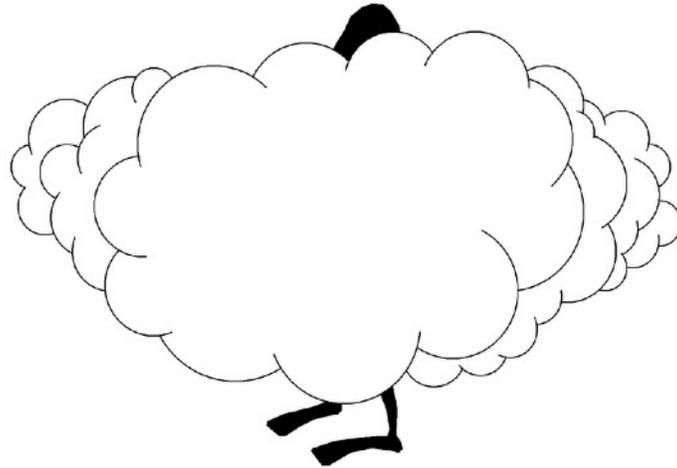
“Does it hurt being a basketball?” asked one of the friends.

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

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

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

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



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

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

“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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