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"Thank you for such a great resource!" -K.B., Kindergarten Teacher

"The pictures are gorgeous. This is great..! -W.G., Certified Reading Specialist

"He loves it! He just picked it up. He loves it." -J.B., Mother of a 4 & 1/2 Year Old

"The program utilizes 80% or more of current research-based practices. The sequence of the materials was good. The book would have a specific purpose for beginning kindergarten. This is well done..." -Utah State Textbook Adoption Committee

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"I think it's a great start for any pre-school, kindergarten or first-grade child..." -M.H., Reading Teacher for over 25 Years

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Tools to Walk Non-Readers to Readers

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One month into Kindergarten, N.J.'s daughter [Rita's granddaughter] came to him and said, "I want to learn to read!" After a couple of purchases, he was surprised how little one book had in it, and how difficult another was making it. So, he asked a friend of his [a former Pre-School Director] - whose son was reading on a 2nd Grade level - the year before in his daughter's preschool class, how she taught her son to read. She said, "With 3-letter words!" N.J. and his daughter also had a letter-sound tape in the car, at that time. Well, by the powers that be, it dawned on him that if his daughter knew three letter-sounds, she'd likely be able to read a three letter word. So, he started putting pages together, and it worked like a charm. "My Child's First Reading Book" was born and, it really was my child's first reading book! -N.J. DeCandia, Author & Founder, Den Publishing Company.

Dedication: this book is dedicated to the authors' daughter / granddaughter - with acknowledgment and thanks to the following early childhood education professionals: Swarupa Watlington, Wendy George, Cindy Rossner, Dale Dickey & Sue Lamier.

Disclaimer: this book is not a substitute for adult supervision, nor do we guarantee results.

Den's Evolution of Content and Titles: as mentioned above, the original title was "My Child's First Reading Book" (MCFRB) - because it really was my child's first reading book. However, my mom - contributing author Rita - saw that it worked for more than just her granddaughter, when she started selling it at her preschool. So, she suggested a title change. That's when "First Reading Book" (FRB) aka "Student's First Reading Book" took hold. After some time, we realized we could give students more help on the reading pages, by hyphenating the 3-letter words in addition to the whole word. That's when "The Phonics Reading Book" (TPRB) was born. Note: we still maintain MCFRB and FRB as "whole language" reading pages. Finally, when Nick started working with his church's pre-Kindergarten program, he decided to develop instruction to include the alphabet, which is a pre-requisite of MCFRB, FRB & TPRB. Hence, "The Alphabet Book" (TAB) was born! Note: TAB includes "pre-phonics" lessons (aka: phonemic or sound awareness lessons).

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"Quick Start" Instructions



 <u>Alphabet Knowledge</u> - Does your child know the alphabet? If not => flash cards, first (Appendix A).

2) <u>Sit With 'Em</u> - ~5 minutes a day Just a little of your time can make a world of difference !

3) <u>Don't Skip Around</u> - The lessons are short, but in a very specific order, covering letter-sounds before the associated reading page.

 4) <u>Reading Pages</u> (bat, cat..) - Point & demonstrate individual & combined sounds (b-a-t; bat)**

5) <u>Review Pages</u> - Don't skip these. With rhyming and page design, this is where putting those sounds together really starts to jell !

 <u>Review</u> - start each new day with a brief review, and if you feel they're up to it, cover the picture on a reading page.



7) <u>Keep It Fun</u> - "high fives" for any/all progress made. Coloring pages can be used for both extra learning and fun !

**Note: don't expect your child to be able to read the very first time through Chapter 1. Ample review is going to be needed, as learning to read is a kin to us adults learning a new language. Getting over the newness of each letter having a sound & how to put those sounds together – will likely not happen the very first time through Chapter 1. And, don't be alarmed if your child doesn't know one or more of the pictures. This will be part of the learning experience, as well!

"The National Reading Panel's analysis made it clear that the best approach to reading instruction is one that incorporates: *Explicit instruction in phonemic [sound] awareness *Systematic phonics instruction..".

National Reading Panel. National Institutes of Health. National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. http://www.nichd.nih.gov/research/supported/Pages/nrp.aspx.

The National Reading Panel was tasked by Congress in 1997 to determine how children learn best to read. The panel reviewed thousands upon thousands of studies (all available research on teaching reading). The spent over two years analyzing - including holding open panel discussions.

Learning To Read = 2 Steps

1) Knowing the letter sounds &

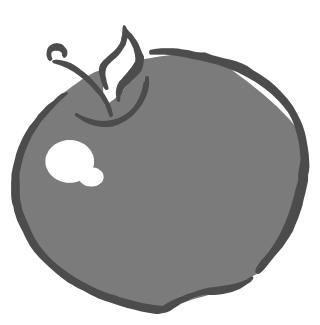
2) Putting those sounds together

Section 1 - Short Vowel Book Skills Teaches All the Letter Sounds (Except /q/) By The End Of Section 1, They Have the Tools to Read Short-Vowel Books.

Section 2 Teaches Them Long Vowels, Blends & Segmenting of Big Words By The End Of Section 2, They Have the Tools to Read Any Beginning Book!

Signature Page Design

White on the outskirts helps focus attention to the center of the page and the task at hand.



Large pictures and letters for the student.



Smaller dialogue prompt for the adult.

Parent dialogues, "Apple starts with 'a' and sounds like 'ah' - apple, a, ah."

Have your child repeat it - pointing. Head for the coloring page, for both fun and to reinforce the lesson !

Grayscale keeps interest level high, and provides coloring page.

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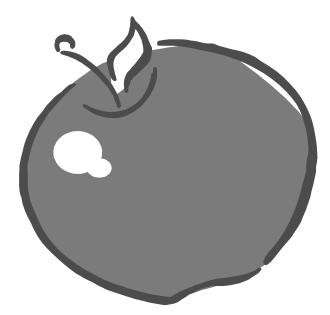
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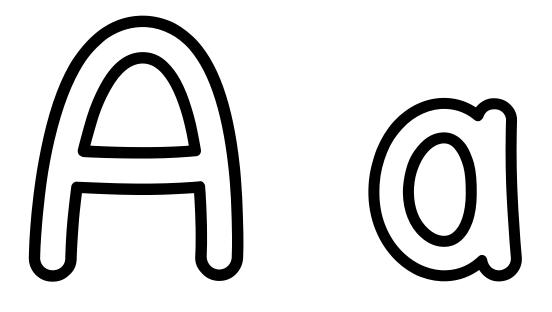
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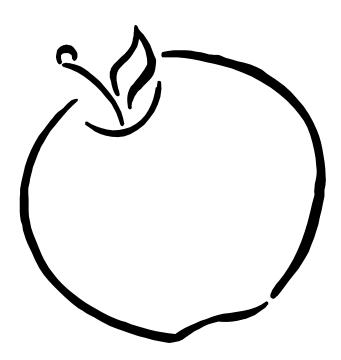
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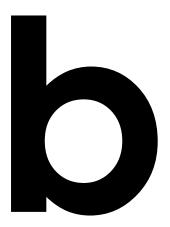


Parent dialogues, "Apple starts with 'a' and sounds like 'ah' - apple, a, ah."





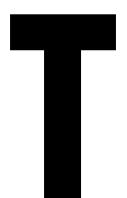




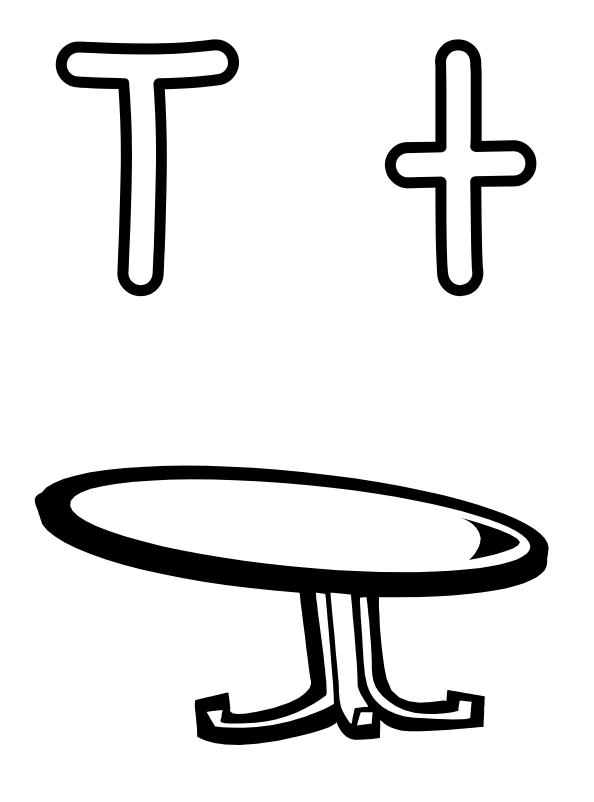
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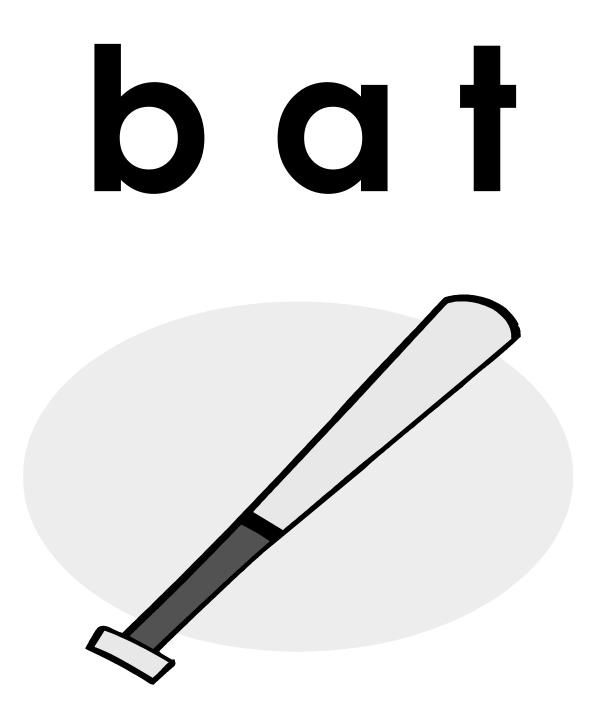




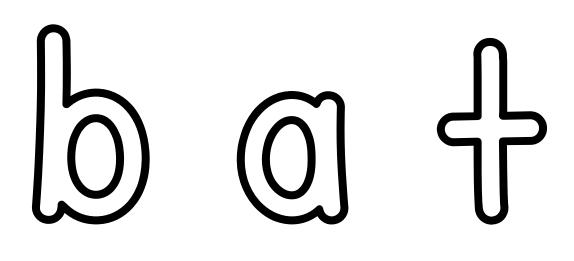


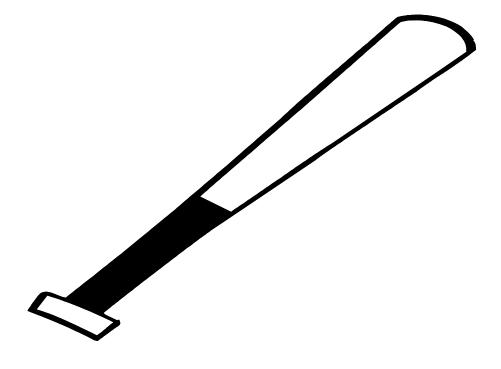
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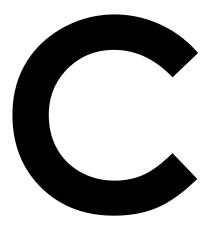


Parent - demonstrate individual & combined sounds (b-a-t; bat), and have them repeat.

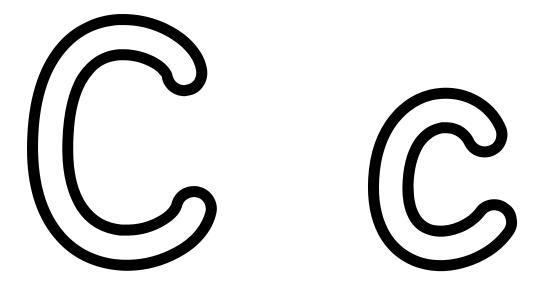


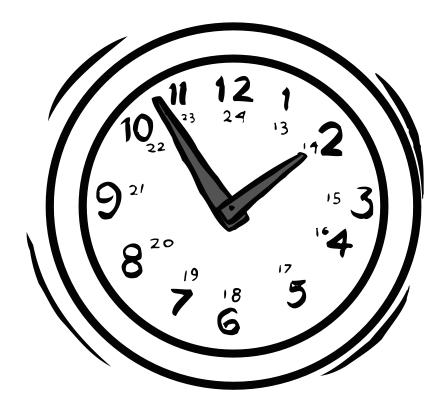


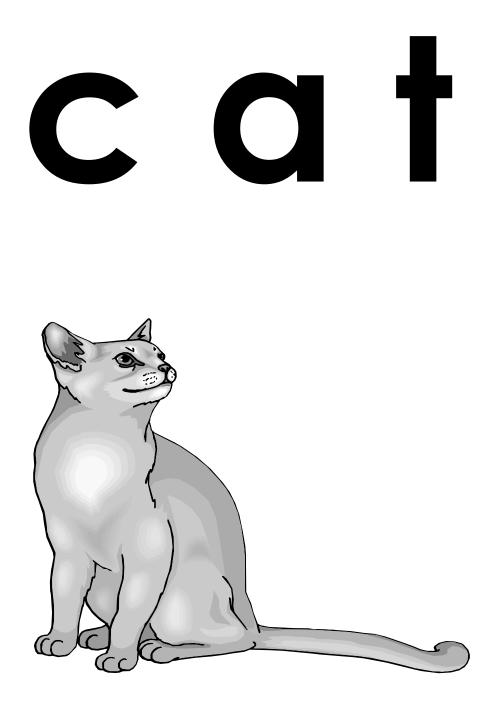




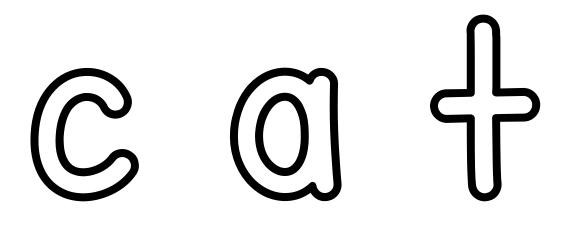
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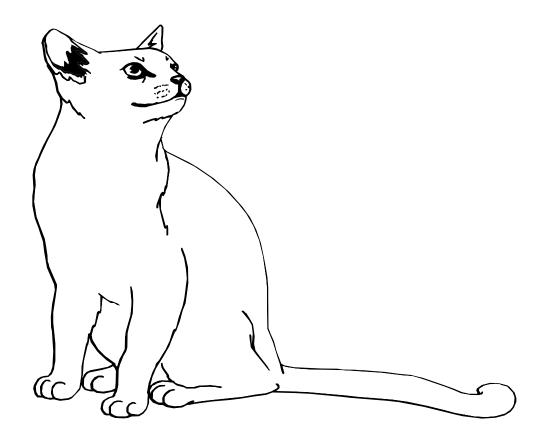






Parent - demonstrate individual & combined sounds (c-a-t; cat), and have them repeat.



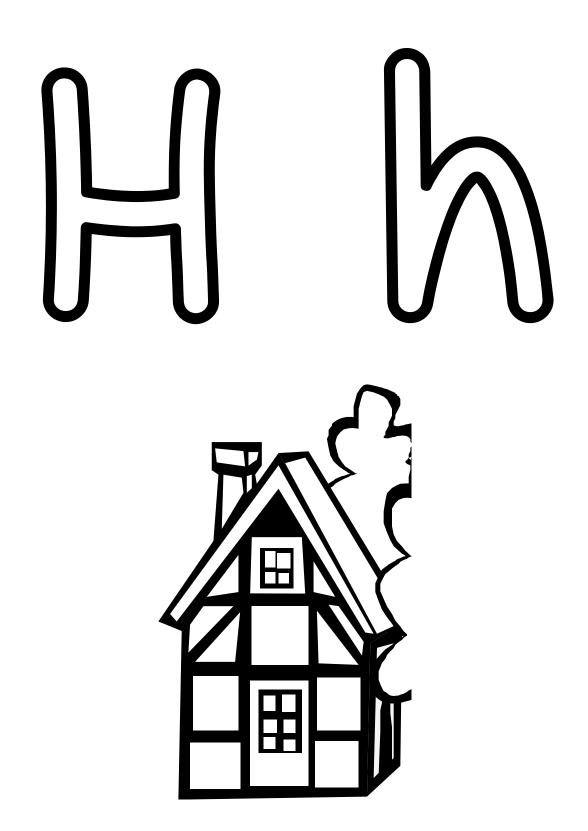






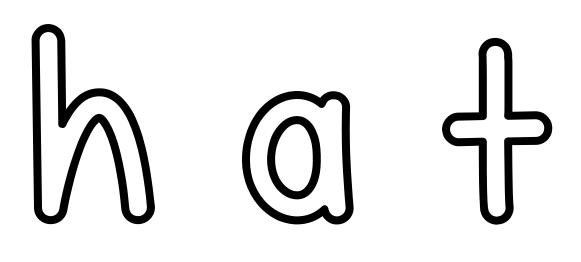
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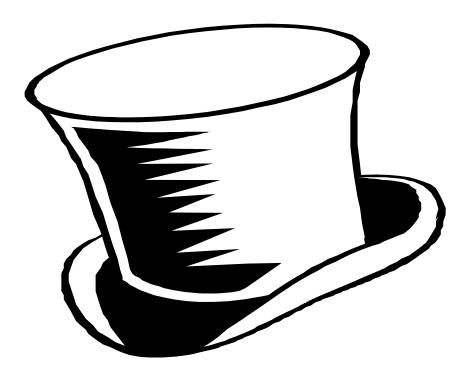
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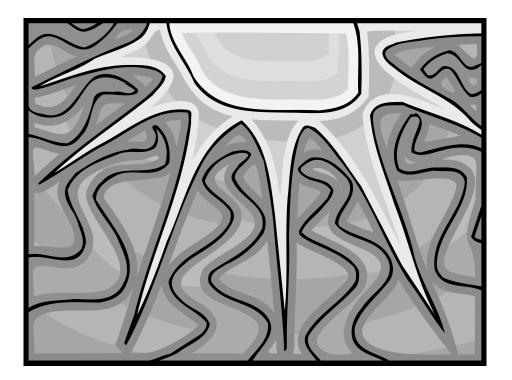




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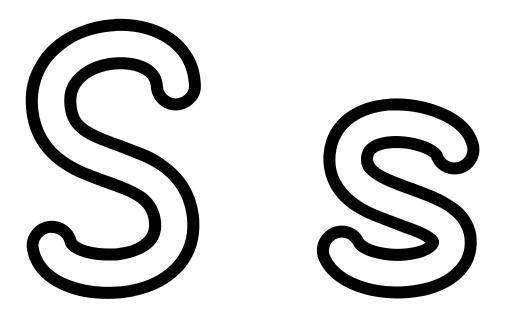


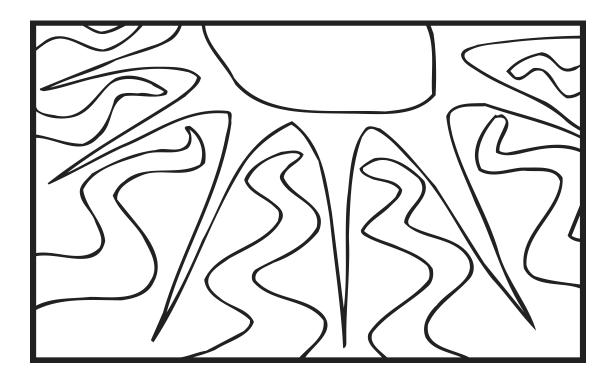






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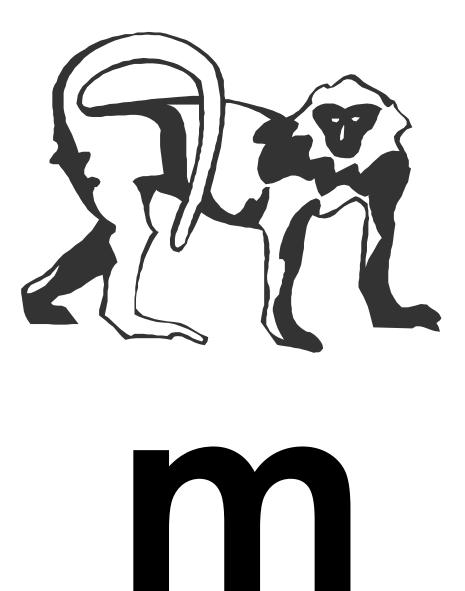




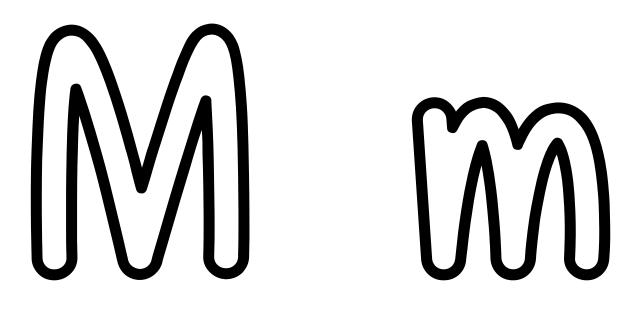
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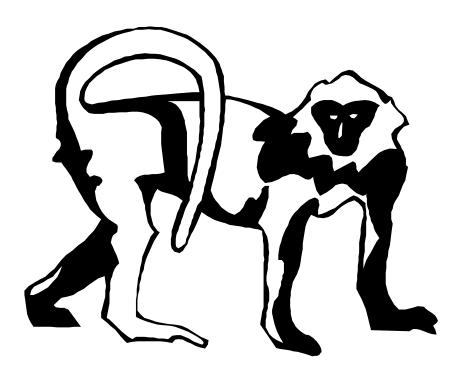
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Parent dialogues, "Monkey starts with 'm' and sounds like 'mmm' - monkey, m, mmm." Have your child repeat it - pointing. Head for the coloring page, for both fun and to reinforce the lesson!

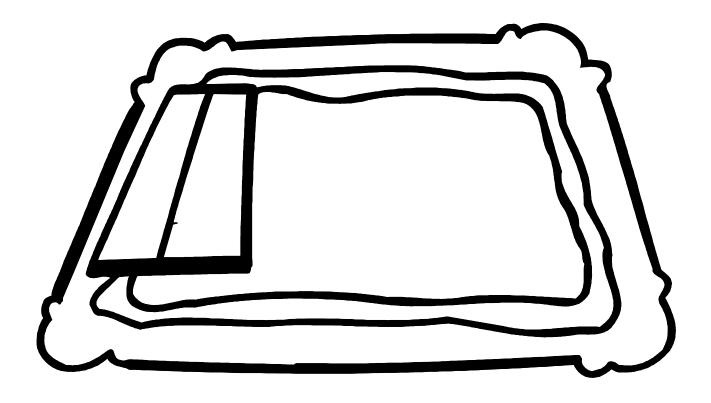






Parent - demonstrate individual & combined sounds (m-a-t; mat), and have them repeat.

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Imagine spending just 5 minutes a day, 4 days per week with <u>First Reading Book</u> and see your NON-READER turn into a READER!

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"Kindergartners who receive systematic beginning phonics instruction read better and spell better than other children, and first graders are better able to decode and spell words."

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 Organization: systematically organized from easier to harder!

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