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PYRAMID READING

SHORT VOWELS

Sentence Reading for Kindergarten & Grade 1

Read • Point • Build • Cheer

AGES 4–6

60 PAGES

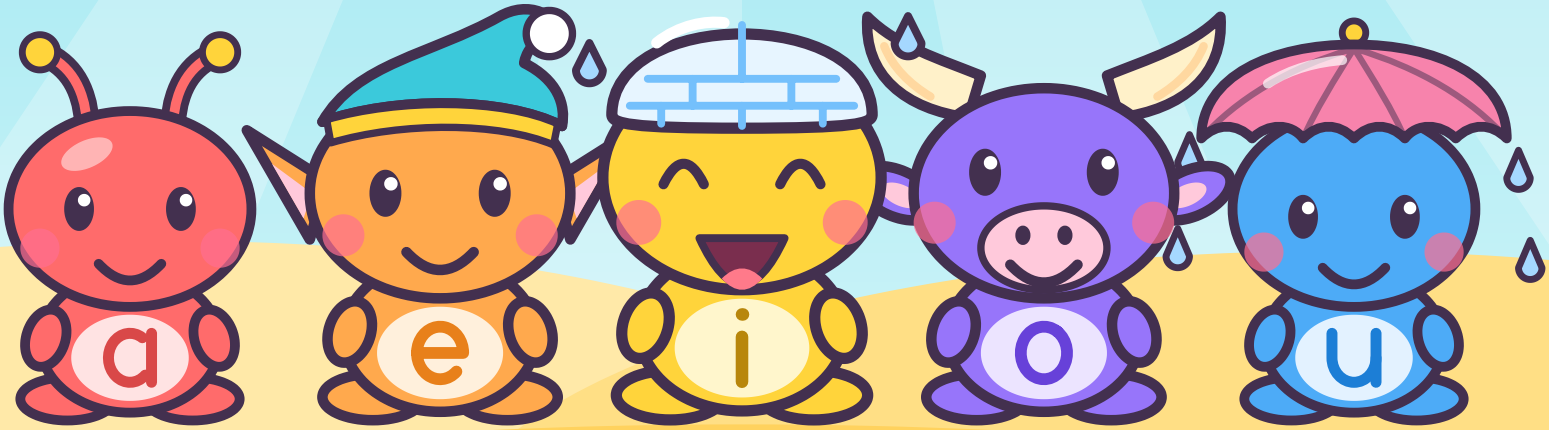
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How to Use This Book

Pyramid reading builds a sentence one word at a time.

Try one!

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Each line adds one new word.

1. **Read the first line.**
2. **Read the next line. One new word!**
3. **Keep going to the last line.**
4. **Read the whole sentence 3 times.**

Why pyramid reading works

- Only one new word at a time, so children feel successful.
- Repeating words builds smooth, confident reading (fluency).
- Colored vowels help children notice the short vowel sound.

For parents and teachers

- Best for ages 4–6 (Pre-K, Kindergarten, Grade 1) who know letter sounds.
- Start with Short A. Do one or two pyramids a day (5–10 minutes).
- Helper words used: the, a, is, in, on, up, and, at, it, can, has, had, his.
- Every other word has just one short vowel, so it can be sounded out.
- Tip: slide a page into a sleeve and use a dry-erase marker for the stars.
- Track progress on page 59. A certificate is on the last page.

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Meet the Vowel Friends

Every short vowel has a friend, a color and a sound.



A a

Annie Ant says /a/

ant cat map



E e

Ellie Elf says /e/

elf bed net



I i

Izzy Igloo says /i/

pig sit big



O o

Ozzie Ox says /o/

fox dog top



U u

Ubby Umbrella says /u/

bug sun cup

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