

Explicit Instruction for Phonics Intervention

Instructional Focus: Skill 10, 2 Syllable Word Closed/Closed, Week 3

Story Number: 1

The Comic and His Lunchbox

The comic used his lunchbox to play tricks on his friends each day at school. When one of his friends left a napkin at her place, the comic would take a nickel out of his lunchbox and place the nickel under the napkin. When his friend would come back and pick up the napkin, there the nickel would be!

One day, the comic found an old fake pumpkin in the attic. The fake pumpkin was made of orange and green fabric, so it did look real. He decided to play a trick on his school friends at play time. The comic placed a button on the pumpkin. Then the comic told his friends to press the button on the pumpkin.

When his friends pressed the button, the pumpkin made a loud noise and scared his friends. The comic laughed so hard. But, his friends did not laugh. They placed the pumpkin in a tunnel near the school yard exit so that they could find it after school and get rid of it. The comic left first after school and found the pumpkin with the button. He placed it back in the attic so he could play this trick again with one more victim.

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The Hidden Lunchbox

My best lunchbox is the color of a pumpkin. I use it each day at school. My lunchbox has room for my lunch, a napkin, a button that falls off my shirt, and a pencil. I have room for a nickel too if I need to take a nickel to school for a new pencil. In fact, until today, my lunchbox has come to school with me each day of the week.

But, now I am so upset. I cannot find my best lunchbox. It is hidden from me! I have looked all around. Now I do not have a nickel for a new pencil if I need one. I will try not to panic.

I must find my best lunchbox. Where would a lunchbox stay hidden? I will look under my desk. I will look in the school box which holds my other pencil and my books.

Oh, I know now where my best lunchbox is. I left it at my aunt's house. She wanted it to show the man at the store the color of pumpkin she would buy for her new house paint!

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Champ the Chipmunk

Champ, the chipmunk, lives in rustic part of the woods in a grove of chestnut trees. Champ is content in his rustic part of the woods. He loves the chestnut trees. Before it gets cold, he can stock up on nuts so he has much to eat. His fur forms a kind of jacket around him, so he is warm and well fed.

When it gets warm, Champ finds bits of a sandwich left by scouts who camp under the chestnut trees. Champ is timid and will not go after the bits of a sandwich until all the scouts have left. But the other day, Champ got into a bit of a mess.

He sat and watched for bits of a sandwich when all of a sudden, a nut with rapid speed fell from the chestnut tree. Then nut after nut fell from the chestnut trees. Champ's head was in need of a helmet to keep him safe from hard chestnuts. His head would be hurt if he was hit by nuts falling with such rapid speed.

Champ found a shell from a large nut to use as a helmet. Now, his head would not be hurt from the nuts falling with such rapid speed.