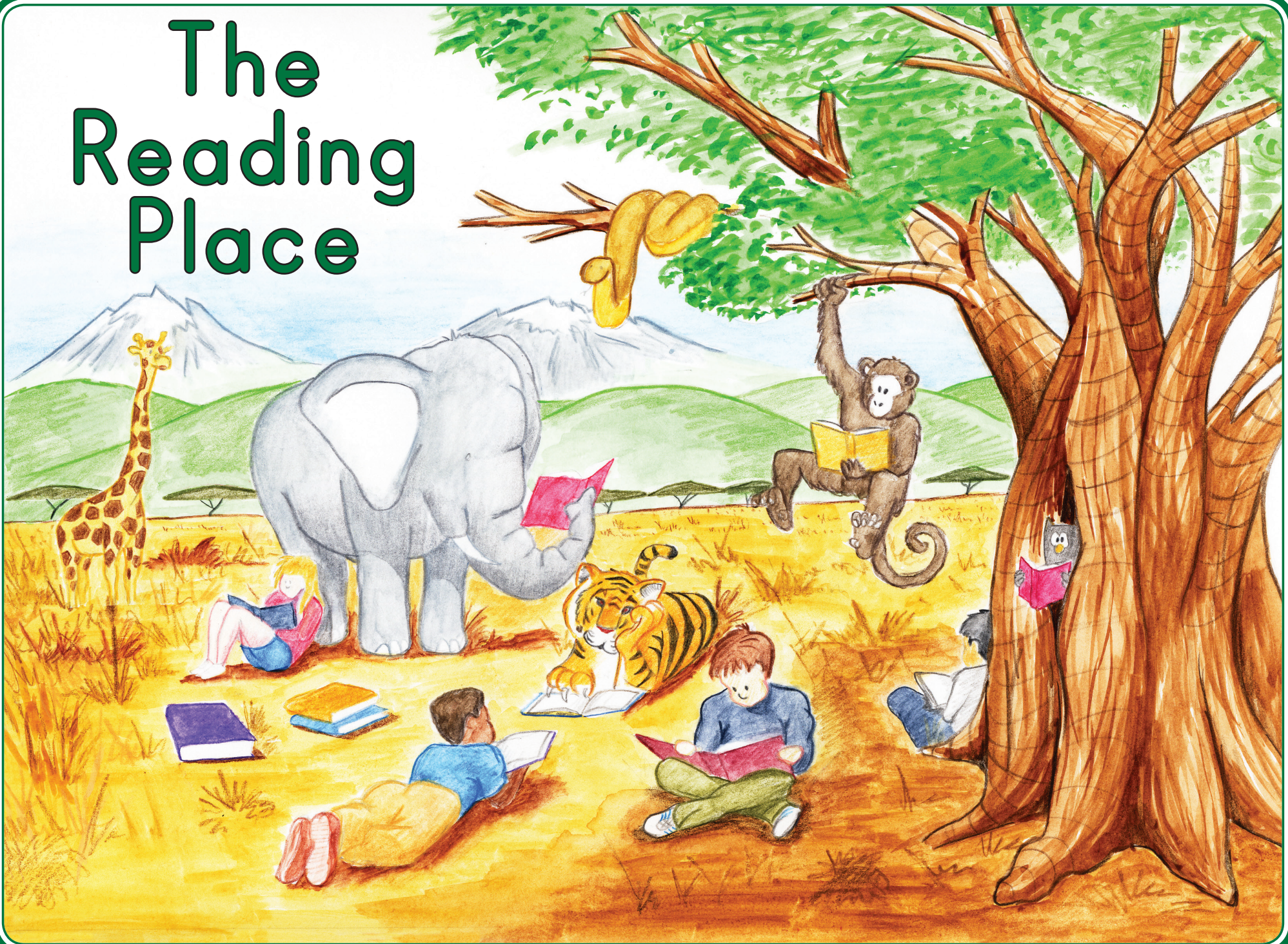


The Reading Place



Welcome to The Reading Place!



Come to the wise old baobab tree
And sit by its side, where the shade is free.
Our mighty green tree grew from a seed,
(You'll grow the same way as you learn to read.)
In the very beginning, some things might seem slow,
But lots of great words you will soon come to know.
Reading will make your confidence strong,
And your love for good books will be lifelong.
So, come along now; you'll soon be a reader.
(You'll quickly find out that you're also a leader.)
Come gather 'round this fine Reading Place.
Begin with a smile and a bright, happy face!
We'll make this time count (and have lots of fun, too).
Everyone here is so proud of you!
I will be here to help you and guide -
So, let's read together now - side-by-side.

~ Victoria Beck

Reading Words with Short "a"



For Use with Reading Expedition

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The Tour Guide says...



Now, our reading fun will double
Do not fear - you'll have no trouble!
Our blending sounds make words galore.
Turn the page and we'll explore!

You already know the blended sounds at the top of each of the pages that follow. Now, you'll make words from them!

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cat

vat

fat

hat

mat

pat

rat

sat

Matt

Mastered



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Jan

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pan

ran

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Dan

Nan

Mastered



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Mastered



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Sam

Mastered



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Max

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sax

Sight Words

is

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Sam's

Sight Words

wags

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no

Your safari mate is now taking the blended sounds that have been mastered and is forming familiar words from them. After mastering the words in each list, point to the words randomly. This ensures that real learning is taking place and that the reader has not simply memorized the words in the order in which they are shown.

Mastered 

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Making Tracks with Words



The man is sad.

Dad can nap.

Pat the fat cat.

The tan rat ran.

Pass the ham.



The Tour Guide says...
draw a picture of someone you love.