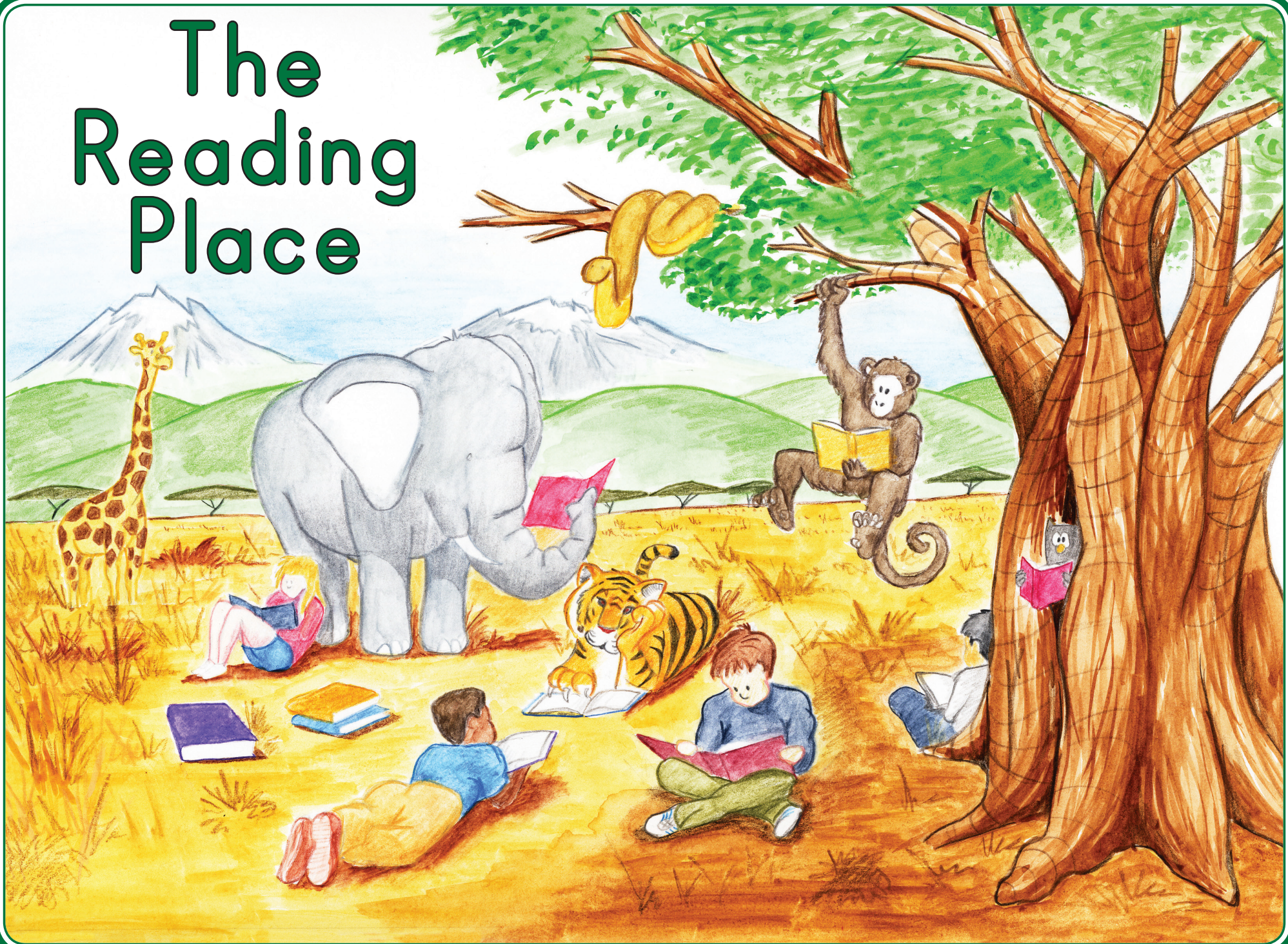


The Reading Place



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

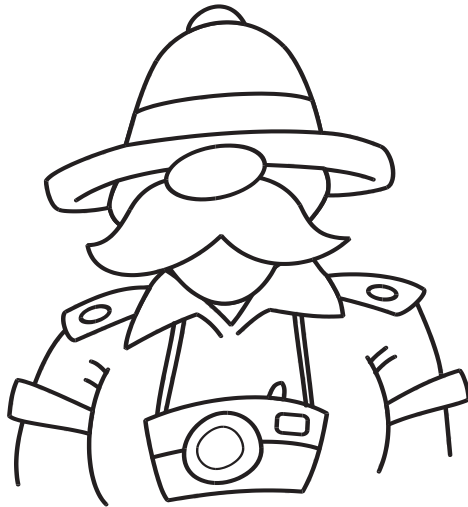
Reading Consonant Blends - Group 1



For Use with Reading Expedition

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The Tour Guide says...



Watch the chetahs run with ease!

Hear the chimps up in the trees!

Zebras dash from sun to shade,

Safari animals on parade!

(Look at some of the words we can make with consonant blends.)

You know how to blend vowels. Now, let's blend consonants, too! You can do it!

sh_

shut
shone
ship
shade
shop
shed
shell
shear
shake
shag

Mastered 

sh_

shot
shave
shape
shame
sheet
shin
sheep
sheer

Mastered 

_sh

rash
sash
fish
dish
bash
cash
mesh
wish
dash
hush

Mastered 

_sh

gash
lash
gush
rush
mash

Mastered 

ch_

chip

chop

chap

chin

chum

chat

chase

chug

choke

chill

Mastered



ch_

cheap

chain

cheat

chose

cheese

Mastered



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reach

teach

pinch

ranch

punch

much

rich

such

inch

hunch

Mastered



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munch

lunch

bunch

each

beach

peach

coach

poach

roach

Mastered



wh_

whip

when

which

while

white

wheat

whale

whim

whiz

wheel

Mastered



wh_

whiff

Mastered



th_

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Mastered



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faith

teeth

path

math

Sight Words

there

once

lived

love

wished

magic

day

push

heart

years

Sight Words

even

were

old

they

who *

whole *

whose *

whom *

*("wh" sounds like "h"
when followed by "o".)

Sometimes, when two consonants are blended together an entirely new single sound is made. That is called a digraph. Digraphs are blends such as "ch" or "sh". Other times, two consonants are blended together and the sounds of each of the two letters can be heard in the combination. In this reading system, we refer to all of these combinations as "consonant blends".

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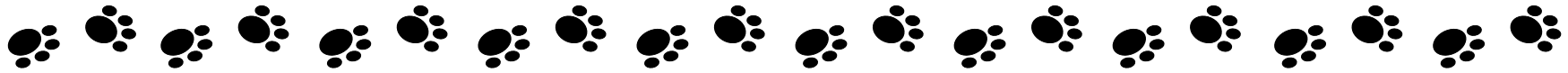
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Making Tracks with Words



Teach me to read and then I will lead.

Mike will shear the sheep on the ranch.

The white shell was on the beach.

Mom put a peach in my lunch to eat.

When you take a bath, use soap.