

## Welcome to The Reading Place!

Fun with Reading

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

## Hard and Soft "g"



## For Use with Reading Expeditions 57 and 58

The Tour Guide says...



Gene, the giraffe, lived in a zoo.

He had a <u>huge cage</u>, but always felt blue.

Gene missed the plains, where he could run free.

Poor lonely Gene with the soft sound of "g".

Can you sing the "Soft 'c' and 'g'" song? What's the reading rule?

g g g g sounds like a "j" when sounds like a "g" when sounds like a "j" when sounds like a "g" when followed by "e", "i", or "y" followed by "a", "o", or "u" followed by "a", "o", or "u" followed by "e", "i", or "y" gem gosh age gum gym\* gate gain cage gent got gap rage gist gutter stage goat giraffe game gun page gel good gush gee gene gut gut sage gold huge gas wage (exceptions: give, get, goal germ gag gift and girl) Mastered Mastered \ Mastered Mastered 210