

Claire Is In This Story



Played

Sam and his friends played. They played with a ball. They played in the sand. They played with a dog. They went down the slide.

They had a great time.

Fleisch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.8
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Robot

"Can I have a robot?" said Cody.

"A robot could play games with me."

"A robot could read books to me."

"A robot would be neat."

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Saw a Cat Look

"I saw a cat look at a bird. I saw the bird look at the cat," said Sam.

"I don't know what they could have been thinking. Cats and birds are usually not friends."

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Airplane

"When I get older, I want to learn how to fly an airplane," said Sam.

"I will fly it up into the sky and look down on the world. It will be so fun."

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Cody Went to a City



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Fiction



Falling Star

One night Cody was outside with his dad.

"Help, help!" they heard from up in the sky.

"Look, Dad. A star is falling," said Cody.

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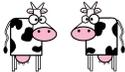
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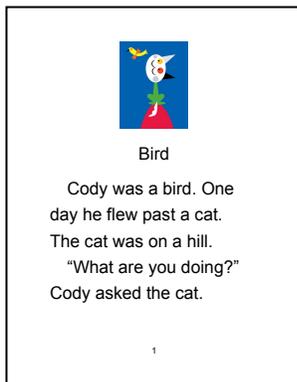


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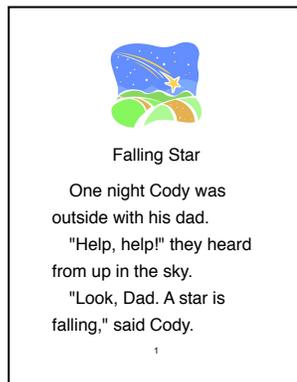


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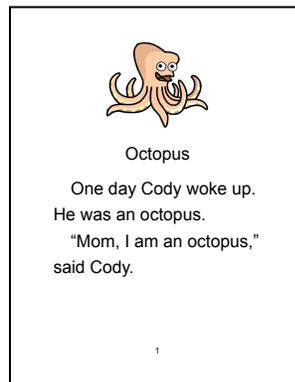
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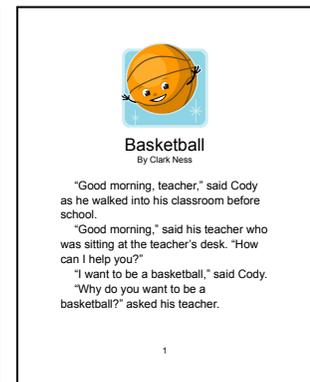
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Two Cows

“I saw two cows,” said
Claire.

“The two cows saw me. I
like these two cows. I hope
the two cows like me.”

“Moo,” said the two
COWS.

“Moo,” said Claire.

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Race

Claire likes to race. One day she was in a race.

She ran and ran. She ran fast. Claire won the race.

She was happy.

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Saw a Cat

“I saw a cat,” said Claire.

“I wish I was a cat. I could run fast. I could climb trees.”

“It would be neat to be a cat,” she said.

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Out of the Water

Claire was a fish. One day she swam fast. She went so fast that she jumped out of the water.

She went up high. She could see far and wide. She had fun.

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Fox

Claire went for a walk and met a fox.

“How do you do?” said Claire to the fox.

“I do very well, thank you. It is a nice day for a walk, isn’t it?” said the fox.

“Yes, it is,” said Claire.

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Crocodile

One day Claire woke up.
She was a crocodile. She
went to school. She
scared her teacher.

Her friends thought she
looked cool.

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Singing Flower

Claire is a flower. She loves to sing. She is a singing flower. She sings and sings.

Claire thinks that singing is fun.

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Christmas Tree

Claire helped with the Christmas tree. She put candy canes on it. She put balls on it.

Her dog helped too. The tree looked great.

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Read a Book

“I think I will read a book,” said Claire. Soon she was done.

“I think I will read some more,” said Claire.

Soon she was done reading seven books.

“That was fun,” said Claire.

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Ice Cream Truck

“I hear the ice cream truck coming,” said Claire.

“I hope it stops by my home.”

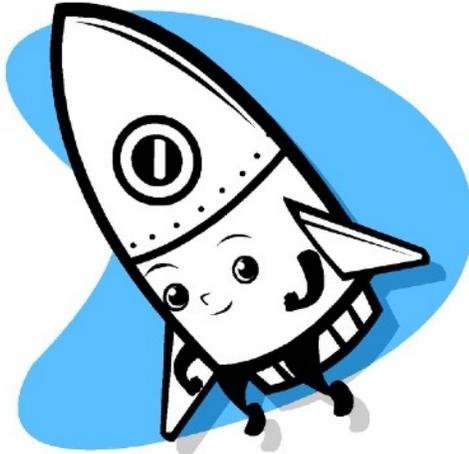
“I want to buy an ice cream treat.”

“It will taste so good.”

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Rocket

“I want to be a rocket,”
said Claire.

Poof! She was a rocket.
Whoosh! She flew up into
the sky and went to the
moon.

“Now that was fun,” said
Claire.

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Surfing Dog

Claire is a cool dog. She has a surf board. She loves to go to the beach with her surf board. She goes surfing at the beach.

Claire thinks surfing is cool.

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Cat Lover

Claire is a cat lover. She loves cats. She loves big cats.

Claire loves little cats. She loves pretty cats. She loves ugly cats. Claire loves all cats.

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Dog Lover

Claire is a dog lover.
She loves dogs. She loves
big dogs.

Claire loves little dogs.
She loves pretty dogs. She
loves ugly dogs. Claire
loves all dogs.

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Fly to School

One day Claire said, “I think I will fly to school today.”

She put on her flying suit. She flew to school.

“Wow! You flew to school,” said her teacher.

“It was easy,” said Claire.

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Happy Cat

“Can you see me?” said
Claire.

“I am a cat.”

“I am a happy cat.”

“I am Claire the happy
cat,” said Claire.

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Happy Dog

“Can you see me?” said
Claire.

“I am a dog.”

“I am a happy dog.”

“I am Claire the happy
dog,” said Claire.

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Rhino

Claire is a rhino. She likes to play soccer. She can kick the ball. She can score a goal.

Claire likes being a rhino.

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A Deer

Claire went for a walk.
She was very quiet. She
looked.

She saw a baby deer. It
had spots on its back.

Claire was glad that she
saw a baby deer.

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Pet Dragon

“I want a pet dragon,”
said Claire.

“It could play with me.”

“It could read books to
me.”

“A pet dragon would be
neat,” said Claire.

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Owl

Claire went for a walk
and saw an owl.

It sat up in a tree.

The owl said, “*Whoo,
whoo, who, who.*”

“I think that owl just said
hello to me,” said Claire.

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Horse With Wings

One day Claire became
a horse with wings.

She flew to her school.
Claire took each of her
friends for a ride up into
the sky.

They all had fun.

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Astronaut

“I want to be an astronaut,” said Claire.

“I want to go out in space.”

“It would be neat to go to the Moon.”

“It would be neat to go to Mars.”

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Happy Turtle

This is Claire. She is a happy turtle. She likes to run.

“I am a happy turtle. I like to run,” said Claire.

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Giraffe

“I am a giraffe,” said
Claire.

“I like to go on hikes.”

“I wear a hat. I take a
pack.”

“I use a walking stick.”

“It is neat to be a giraffe,”
said Claire.

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Bubbles

Claire made bubbles.

Some bubbles were big.

Some bubbles were small.

Claire made a lot of
bubbles. She had fun.

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Chicken

“I saw a chicken,” said
Claire.

“She wore glasses and
had a book.”

“She was reading to her
chicks.”

“I wonder if all chickens
can read?” said Claire.

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Horses

Claire saw two horses.
One horse was brown.
One horse was white. The
horses were big.

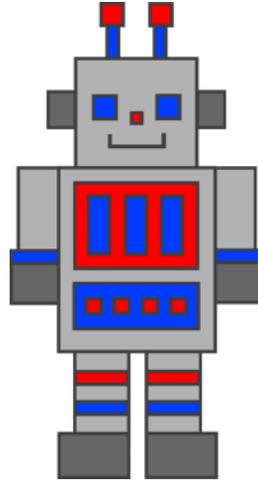
Claire liked seeing the
horses.

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Robot

“Can I have a robot?”
said Claire.

“A robot could play
games with me. A robot
could read books to me.
A robot would be neat.”

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Sheep

“I saw a sheep near my home,” said Claire.

“It was knitting a sock.”

“I told the sheep that it was a nice sock.”

“The sheep smiled and kept on knitting,” said Claire.

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Snow Skiing

“I want to go snow skiing,” said Claire.

“It would be so much fun.”

“I would be out in the nice cold snow.”

“I could go fast.”

“Snow skiing would be a blast,” she said.

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Rabbit

“I want to be a rabbit,”
said Claire.

“I would have two long
ears.”

“I could hop and hop.”

“I would even like to eat
carrots,” said Claire.

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Cowgirl

“I am going to be a cowgirl,” said Claire.

“I will have a rope.”

“I will ride a horse.”

“I will herd my cattle.”

“It will be neat to be a cowgirl,” said Claire.

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Bear

Claire went for a walk and met a happy bear.

The bear wore boots, mittens, and a stocking hat.

“It must be a cold day,” said Claire.

“Yes, it is,” said the bear.

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Soccer Ball

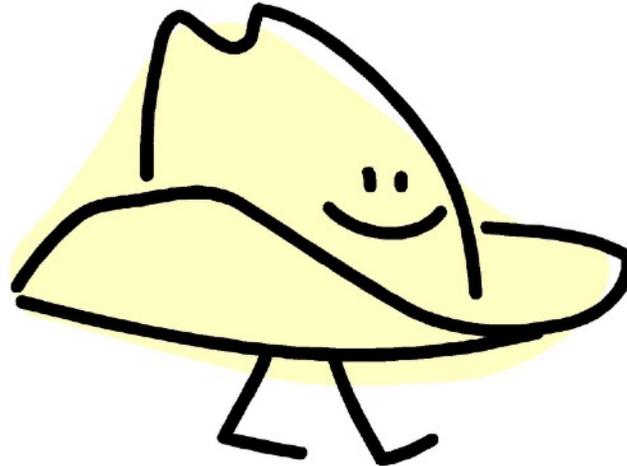
Claire has a soccer ball.
She plays soccer with it
every day.

“I love playing soccer. It
is a great sport. Soccer is
fun,” said Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.5

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Hat

Claire saw a hat walk by.
“Where are you going?”
asked Claire.

“I am going to a cattle
ranch,” said the hat.

“I want a cowboy to find
me so that I can become a
real cowboy hat.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.7

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Rat

One day Claire saw a rat.

“That rat is on a skateboard,” said Claire.

“I love to go on my skateboard,” said the rat.

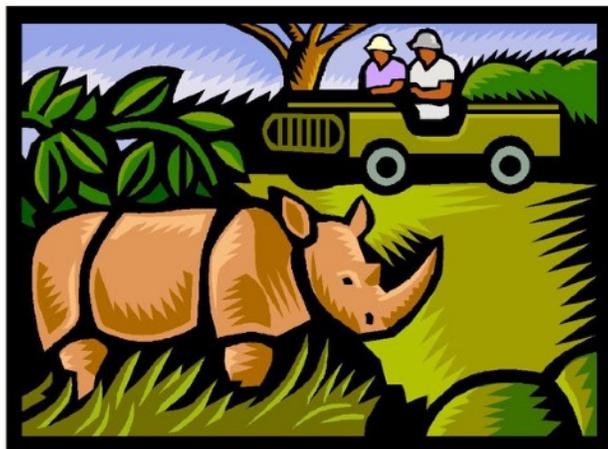
“Hope you have fun,” said Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.7

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Safari

“I went to Africa,” said
Claire.

“I went on a safari.”

“We drove out in a jeep
and saw a rhino.”

“It was so neat.”

“I took a lot of pictures.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.7

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I Have a Pencil

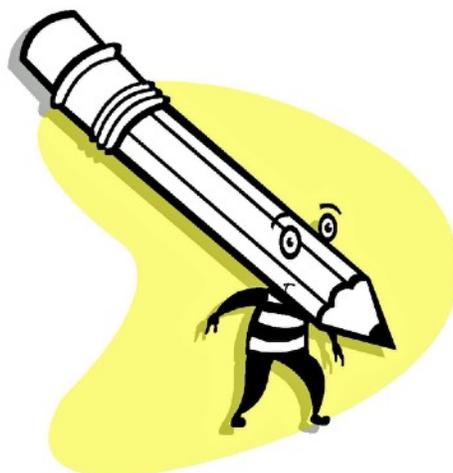
“I have a pencil,” said Claire. “I use it every day. I write stories with it. I answer questions. I solve math problems.”

“My pencil is a great tool to have.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Pencil

One day Claire woke up.
She was a pencil.

“I think I will write a
story,” said Claire. She
wrote a story. It was about
being a pencil.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Pink Elephant

“I saw a pink elephant,”
said Claire. “It had a green
balloon and wore a yellow
hat.”

“There was a bird sitting
on its back. I wonder
where it was going?” said
Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Saw a Cat Look

“I saw a cat look at a bird. I saw the bird look at the cat,” said Claire.

“I don’t know what they could have been thinking. Cats and birds are usually not friends.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Snake

“I think I would like to be a snake,” said Claire.

“It would be fun to slither along the ground.”

“I would hunt for food and have a good life.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 0.9

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Elephant

“I went to a pet shop,”
said Claire.

“I got a nice elephant. I
took my elephant home.”

“Mom said it was too big
for me to keep.”

“So I took the elephant
back,” said Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Monsters

“I saw three monsters today,” said Claire.

“They were happy monsters going for a walk.”

“I wonder where they were going?” said Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Pet Shop

“I am going to go to a pet shop,” said Claire.

“I will see all kinds of animals there.”

“I will see fish, cats, dogs, mice, and birds.”

“It will be fun to go to a pet shop,” said Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Singing Apples

“I went to the store. I saw some apples. Three of the apples jumped up and sang a song to me,” said Claire.

“I had never seen singing apples before.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.1

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Happy Snowman

“I am a happy snowman,” said Claire.

“I wear a hat and a scarf, and I hold a broom.”

“My nose is a carrot.”

“I am happy to be a snowman,” said Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.2

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Snail

“Last night I had a dream. I dreamed that I was a snail,” said Claire.

“I was a happy snail, but it took a long time to get anywhere.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.2

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Singing Fish

“I want to be a fish that can sing,” said Claire.

“I would sing songs about the sea.”

“I would sing songs to sailors and to people who go fishing.”

“It would be fun to be a singing fish,” said Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.6

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Airplane

“When I get older, I want to learn how to fly an airplane,” said Claire.

“I will fly it up into the sky and look down on the world. It will be so fun.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.7

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Kangaroo

Claire is a kangaroo. She likes to play basketball. She can jump. She can shoot.

Claire likes being a kangaroo.

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Lemonade

Claire made some lemonade. She set up a lemonade stand. She sold lemonade to her friends and family.

Claire made \$5.00 in one day.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.9

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If I Were a Dog

“If I were a dog, I would want to be able to drive a car,” said Claire.

“I would put on my yellow hat and get in my red car. People would smile when I went by.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.0

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Submarine

“I went on a submarine,”
said Claire.

“We went down
underwater.”

“I saw all kinds of fish.”

“It was fun to go on a
submarine.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.0

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Treehouse

“I am going to build a treehouse,” said Claire. “It will be so much fun.”

“I will have a good view and get to see birds and little animals every day.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.5

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Helicopter

“I want to fly a helicopter,” said Claire.

“It would be neat to fly it up in the sky.”

“I could help save people by flying a helicopter.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.8

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Opened a Book

“I opened a book last week and a pirate story came out,” said Claire.

“It was a very good story about pirates and pirate ships. I liked the part about buried treasure.”

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 4.4

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Hippo

Claire saw a hippo. It was on a unicycle. It was playing a violin.

“Be careful when you play your violin on a unicycle,” said Claire to the hippo.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 4.7

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Claire Saw



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Fiction

Cat



Claire saw a cat.

It was a big cat.

“I saw a cat,” said Claire.

“It was a big cat,” she
said.

Bat



Claire saw a bat.

It was a big bat.

“I saw a bat,” said Claire.

“It was a big bat,” she
said.

Rat



Claire saw a rat.

It was a big rat.

“I saw a rat,” said Claire.

“It was a big rat,” she
said.

Ant



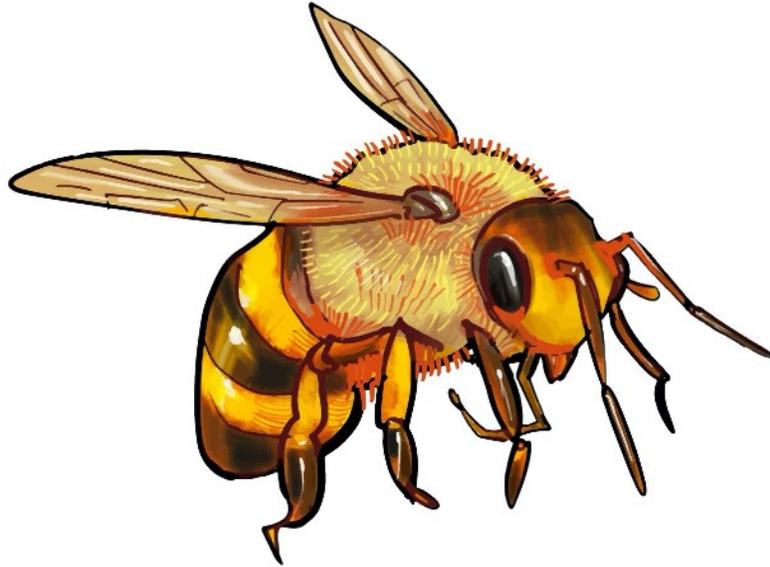
Claire saw an ant.

It was a big ant.

“I saw an ant,” said
Claire.

“It was a big ant,” she
said.

Bee



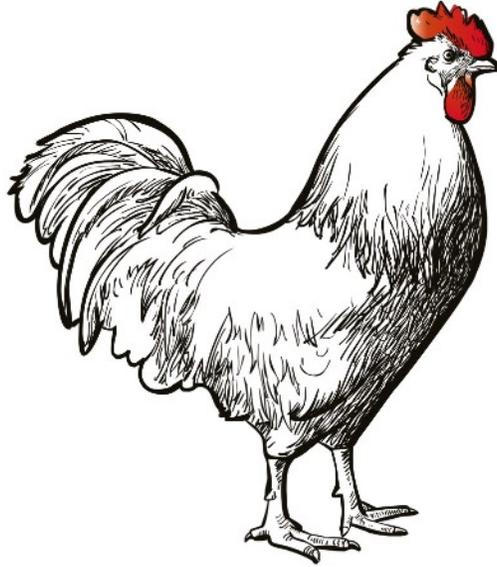
Claire saw a bee.

It was a big bee.

“I saw a bee,” said
Claire.

“It was a big bee,” she
said.

Hen



Claire saw a hen.

It was a big hen.

“I saw a hen,” said
Claire.

“It was a big hen,” she
said.

Elk



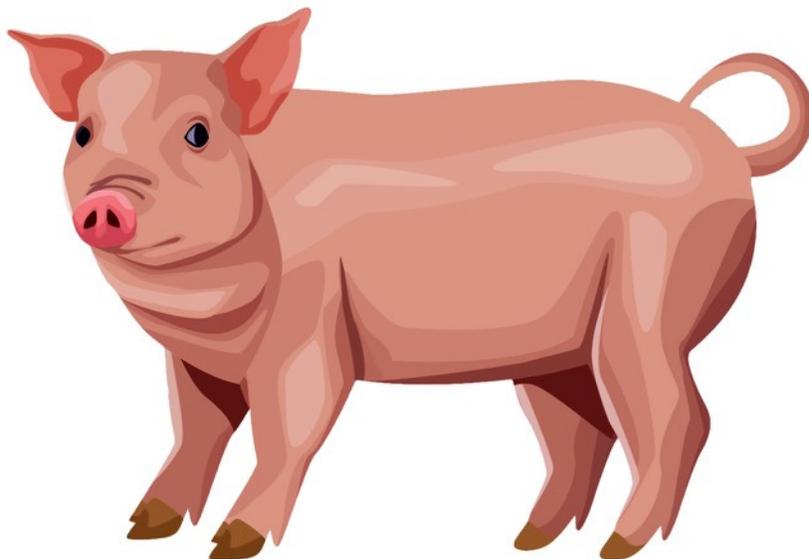
Claire saw an elk.

It was a big elk.

“I saw an elk,” said
Claire.

“It was a big elk,” she
said.

Pig



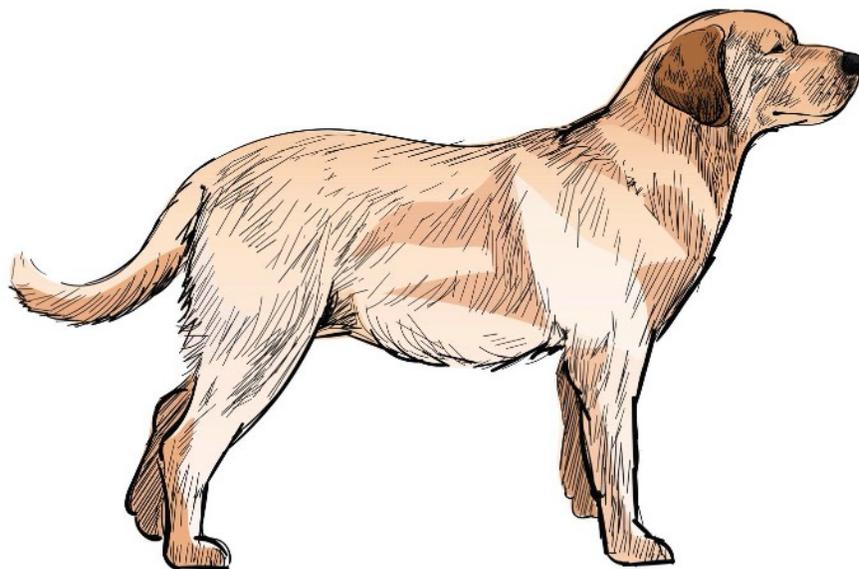
Claire saw a pig.

It was a big pig.

“I saw a pig,” said Claire.

“It was a big pig,” she
said.

Dog



Claire saw a dog.

It was a big dog.

“I saw a dog,” said
Claire.

“It was a big dog,” she
said.

Cod



Claire saw a cod.

It was a big cod.

“I saw a cod,” said
Claire.

“It was a big cod,” she
said.

Fox



Claire saw a fox.

It was a big fox.

“I saw a fox,” said Claire.

“It was a big fox,” she
said.

Cow



Claire saw a cow.

It was a big cow.

“I saw a cow,” said
Claire.

“It was a big cow,” she
said.

Owl



Claire saw an owl.

It was a big owl.

“I saw an owl,” said
Claire.

“It was a big owl,” she
said.

Bug



Claire saw a bug.

It was a big bug.

“I saw a bug,” said
Claire.

“It was a big bug,” she
said.

Pup



Claire saw a pup.

It was a big pup.

“I saw a pup,” said
Claire.

“It was a big pup,” she
said.

Fly



Claire saw a fly.

It was a big fly.

“I saw a fly,” said Claire.

“It was a big fly,” she
said.

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Claire Saw a Cab



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Fiction

Cab



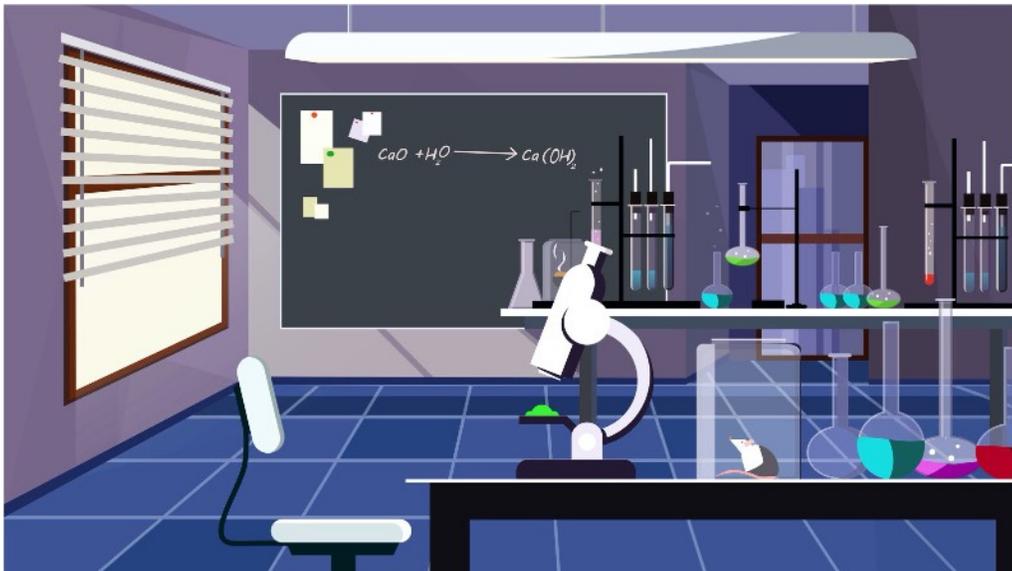
Claire saw a cab.

It was a nice cab.

“I saw a cab,” said
Claire.

“It was a nice cab,” she
said.

Lab



Claire saw a lab.

It was a nice lab.

“I saw a lab,” said Claire.

“It was a nice lab,” she
said.

Bag



Claire saw a bag.
It was a nice bag.
“I saw a bag,” said
Claire.

“It was a nice bag,” she
said.

Rag



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Claire saw a rag.
It was a nice rag.
“I saw a rag,” said Claire.
“It was a nice rag,” she
said.

Yam



Claire saw a yam.
It was a nice yam.
“I saw a yam,” said
Claire.

“It was a nice yam,” she
said.

Can



Claire saw a can.

It was a nice can.

“I saw a can,” said
Claire.

“It was a nice can,” she
said.

Fan



Claire saw a fan.

It was a nice fan.

“I saw a fan,” said Claire.

“It was a nice fan,” she
said.

Pan



Claire saw a pan.
It was a nice pan.
“I saw a pan,” said
Claire.

“It was a nice pan,” she
said.

Van



Claire saw a van.

It was a nice van.

“I saw a van,” said
Claire.

“It was a nice van,” she
said.

Cap



Claire saw a cap.
It was a nice cap.
“I saw a cap,” said
Claire.
“It was a nice cap,” she
said.

Map



Claire saw a map.
It was a nice map.
“I saw a map,” said
Claire.

“It was a nice map,” she
said.

Bat



Claire saw a bat.

It was a nice bat.

“I saw a bat,” said Claire.

“It was a nice bat,” she
said.

Hat



Claire saw a hat.

It was a nice hat.

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“It was a nice hat,” she
said.

Mat



Claire saw a mat.

It was a nice mat.

“I saw a mat,” said
Claire.

“It was a nice mat,” she
said.

Vat



Claire saw a vat.

It was a nice vat.

“I saw a vat,” said Claire.

“It was a nice vat,” she
said.

Sax



Claire saw a sax.

It was a nice sax.

“I saw a sax,” said
Claire.

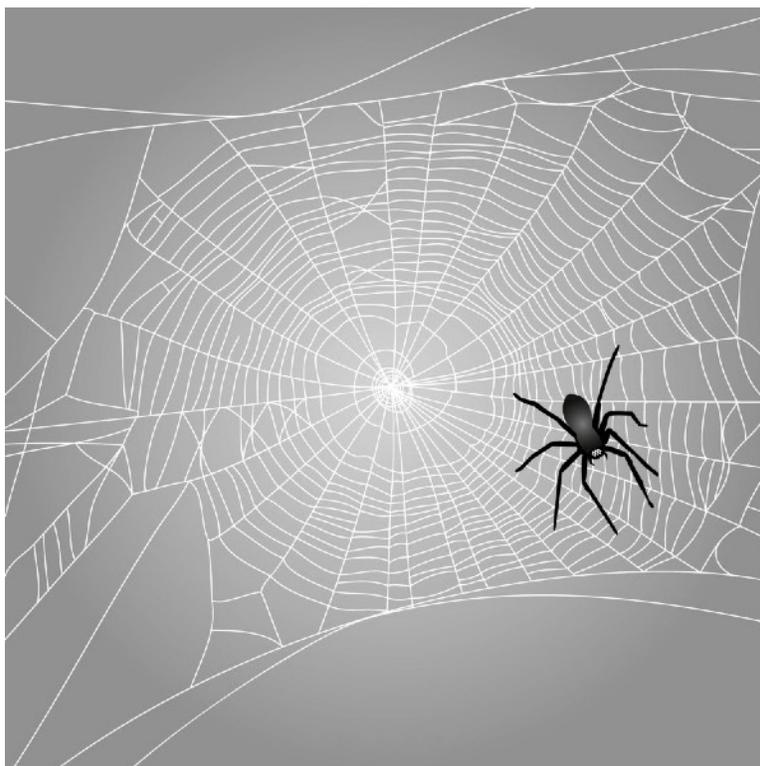
“It was a nice sax,” she
said.

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Claire Saw a Web



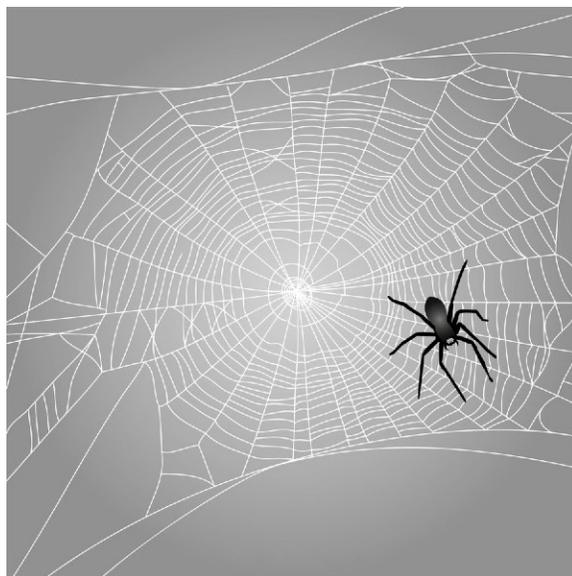
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Fiction

Web



Claire saw a web.

It was a cool web.

“I saw a web,” said
Claire.

“It was a cool web,” she
said.

Gem



Claire saw a gem.
It was a cool gem.
“I saw a gem,” said
Claire.

“It was a cool gem,” she
said.

Pen



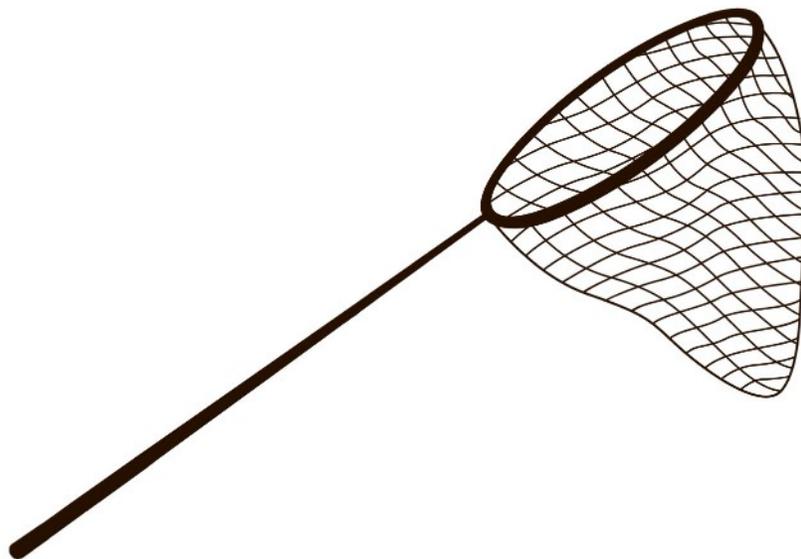
Claire saw a pen.

It was a cool pen.

“I saw a pen,” said
Claire.

“It was a cool pen,” she
said.

Net



Claire saw a net.

It was a cool net.

“I saw a net,” said Claire.

“It was a cool net,” she
said.

Jet



Claire saw a jet.

It was a cool jet.

“I saw a jet,” said Claire.

“It was a cool jet,” she
said.

Wig



Claire saw a wig.
It was a cool wig.
“I saw a wig,” said
Claire.

“It was a cool wig,” she
said.

Bin



Claire saw a bin.

It was a cool bin.

“I saw a bin,” said Claire.

“It was a cool bin,” she
said.

Fin



Claire saw a fin.
It was a cool fin.
“I saw a fin,” said Claire.
“It was a cool fin,” she
said.

Pin



Claire saw a pin.
It was a cool pin.
“I saw a pin,” said Claire.
“It was a cool pin,” she
said.

Rod



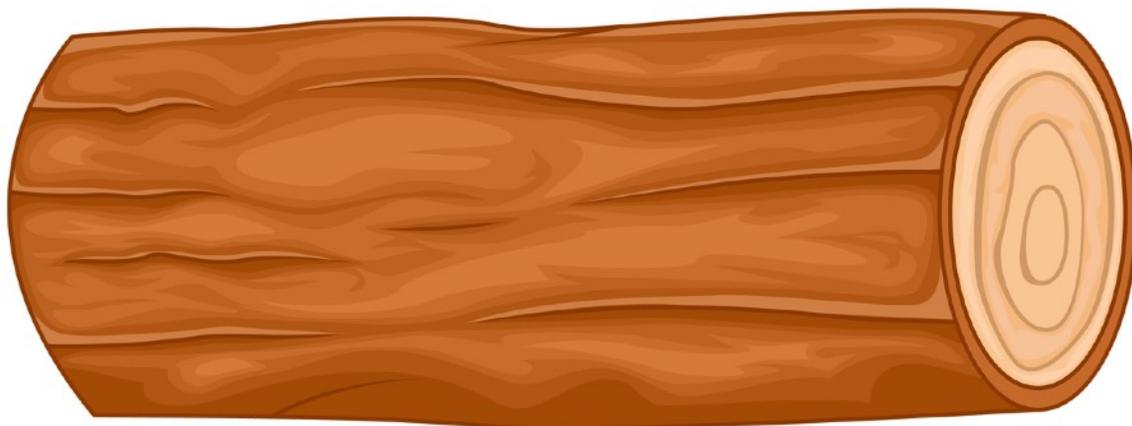
Claire saw a rod.

It was a cool rod.

“I saw a rod,” said Claire.

“It was a cool rod,” she
said.

Log



Claire saw a log.

It was a cool log.

“I saw a log,” said Claire.

“It was a cool log,” she
said.

Mop



Claire saw a mop.

It was a cool mop.

“I saw a mop,” said
Claire.

“It was a cool mop,” she
said.

Top



Claire saw a top.

It was a cool top.

“I saw a top,” said Claire.

“It was a cool top,” she
said.

Cot



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Claire saw a cot.
It was a cool cot.
“I saw a cot,” said Claire.
“It was a cool cot,” she
said.

Pot



Claire saw a pot.

It was a cool pot.

“I saw a pot,” said Claire.

“It was a cool pot,” she
said.

Box



Claire saw a box.
It was a cool box.
“I saw a box,” said
Claire.

“It was a cool box,” she
said.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

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Claire Saw a Tub



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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.6

Fiction

Tub



Claire saw a tub.
It was a neat tub.
“I saw a tub,” said Claire.
“It was a neat tub,” she
said.

Jug



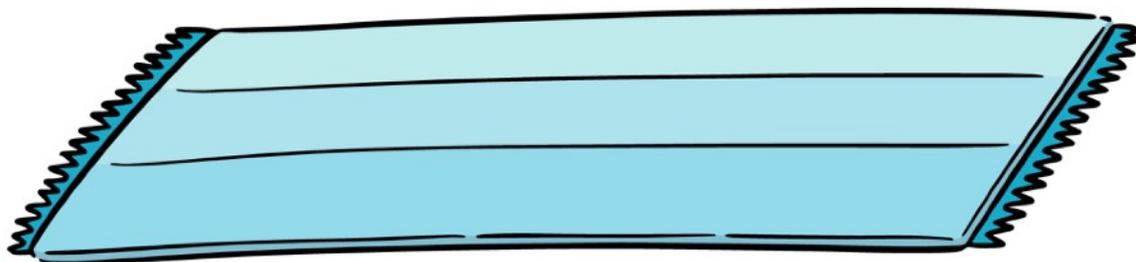
Claire saw a jug.

It was a neat jug.

“I saw a jug,” said Claire.

“It was a neat jug,” she
said.

Rug



Claire saw a rug.

It was a neat rug.

“I saw a rug,” said Claire.

“It was a neat rug,” she
said.

Bun



Claire saw a bun.

It was a neat bun.

“I saw a bun,” said
Claire.

“It was a neat bun,” she
said.

Cup



Claire saw a cup.
It was a neat cup.
“I saw a cup,” said
Claire.

“It was a neat cup,” she
said.

Bus



Claire saw a bus.
It was a neat bus.
“I saw a bus,” said
Claire.
“It was a neat bus,” she
said.

Hut



Claire saw a hut.

It was a neat hut.

“I saw a hut,” said Claire.

“It was a neat hut,” she
said.

Nut



Claire saw a nut.

It was a neat nut.

“I saw a nut,” said Claire.

“It was a neat nut,” she
said.

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Claire Went to a Farm



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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.2

Fiction



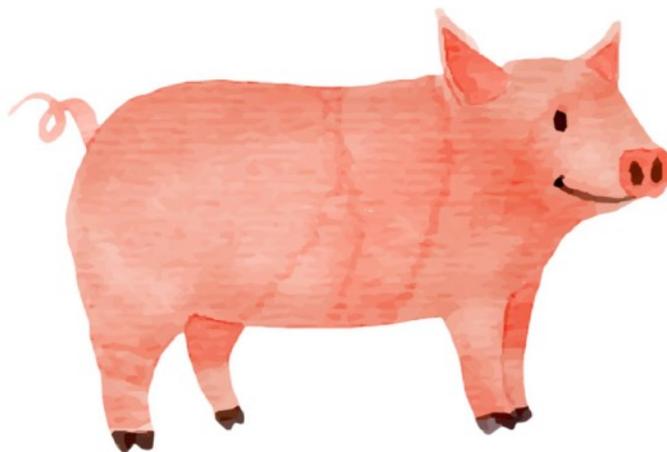
Claire went to a
farm. She saw a
horse. It was a nice
horse.



Claire went to a
farm. She saw a
cow. It was a nice
COW.



Claire went to a
farm. A donkey was
there. It was a nice
donkey.



Claire went to a
farm. A pig was
there. It was a nice
pig.



Claire went to a
farm. There was a
sheep. It was a nice
sheep.



Claire went to a
farm. There was a
turkey. It was a nice
turkey.



Claire went to a
farm. It had a duck.
It was a nice duck.



Claire went to a
farm. It had a
chicken. It was a
nice chicken.



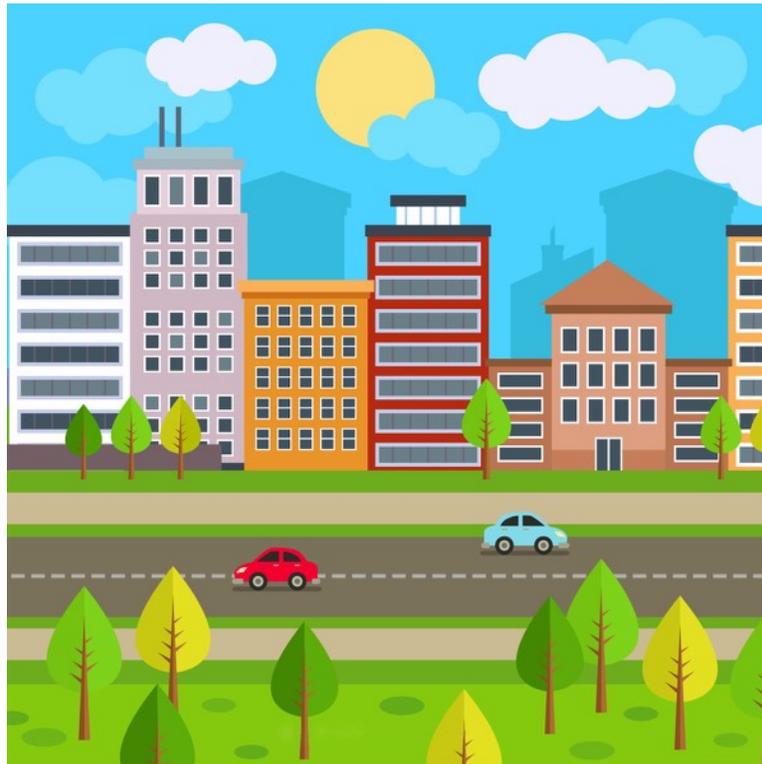
Claire was happy
that she went to a
nice farm.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -1.2

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Claire Went to a City

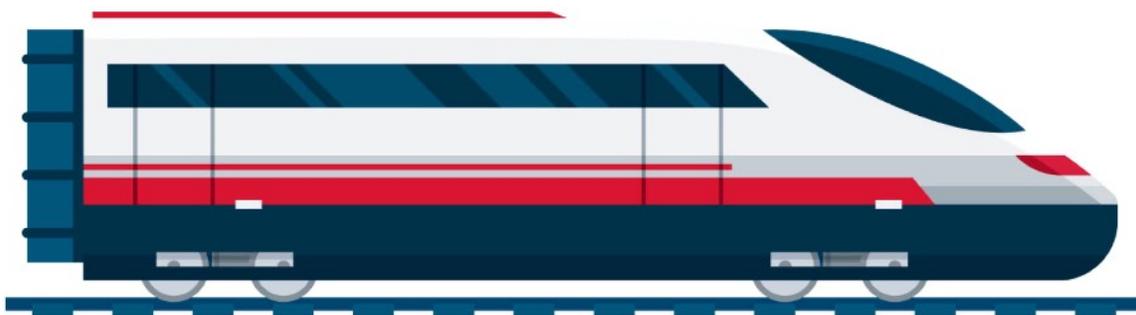


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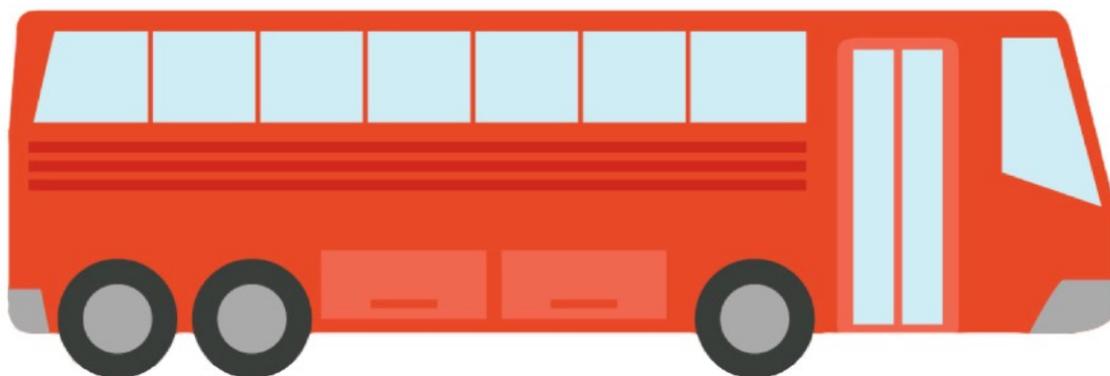
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Reading Level: Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

Fiction



Claire went to a
city. She saw a
train. It was a nice
train.



Claire went to a
city. She saw a bus.
It was a nice bus.



Claire went to a
city. A truck was
there. It was a nice
truck.



Claire went to a
city. A fire truck was
there. It was a nice
fire truck.



Claire went to a
city. An ambulance
was there. It was a
nice ambulance.



Claire went to a
city. There was a
police car. It was a
nice police car.



Claire went to a
city. There was a
taxi. It was a nice
taxi.



Claire went to a
city. There was a
motorcycle. It was a
nice motorcycle.



Claire was happy
that she went to a
nice city.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level -0.4

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Claire Is In This Story



Bird

Cody was a bird. One day he flew past a cat. The cat was on a hill. "What are you doing?" Cody asked the cat.

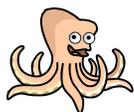
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Falling Star

One night Cody was outside with his dad. "Help, help!" they heard from up in the sky. "Look, Dad. A star is falling," said Cody.

1



Octopus

One day Cody woke up. He was an octopus. "Mom, I am an octopus," said Cody.

1



Basketball

By Clark Ness

"Good morning, teacher," said Cody as he walked into his classroom before school. "Good morning," said his teacher who was sitting at the teacher's desk. "How can I help you?" "I want to be a basketball," said Cody. "Why do you want to be a basketball?" asked his teacher.

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Bird

Claire was a bird. One day she flew past a cat. The cat was on a hill.

“What are you doing?”
Claire asked the cat.



“I am sitting on a hill,”
said the cat.

“Come and fly with me,”
said Claire.

“I cannot fly,” said the
cat.

“That is too bad,” said
Claire.



“I will go and fly all around,” said Claire.

“I will then come back and tell you all about it,” she said.

“That would be nice,” said the cat.



So Claire went and flew
all around.

She then came back to
the cat.

Claire told the cat what
she had seen.

The cat was happy.



“Thank you,” said the
cat.

“You are welcome,”
said Claire.

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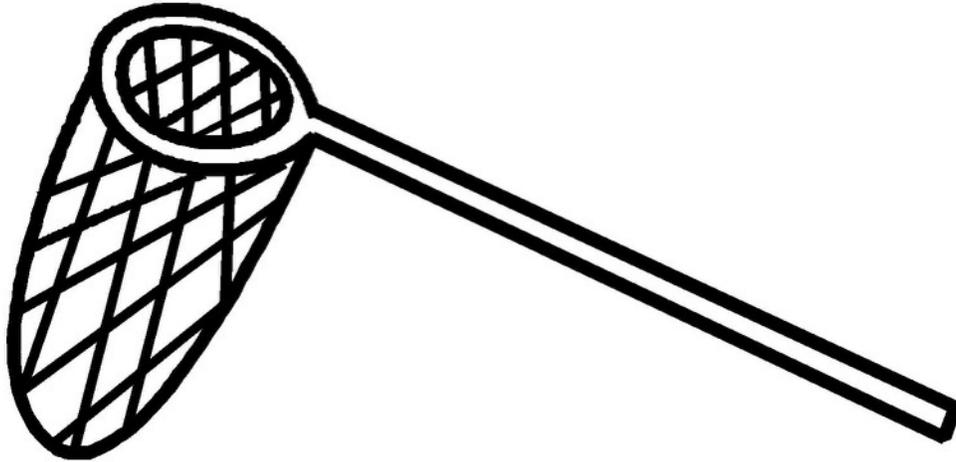


Falling Star

One night Claire was
outside with her dad.

"Help, help!" they heard
from up in the sky.

"Look, Dad. A star is
falling," said Claire.



"What should we do?"
said her dad.

"I know what to do,"
said Claire.

She ran and got a big
net.



Claire took the net and quickly caught the star just before it hit the ground.

"Thanks for saving me," said the star.

"What should we do with this star now?" asked Claire's dad.



"We need to throw it back up into the sky," said Claire.

Claire grabbed the star out of the net and threw it back up into the sky.



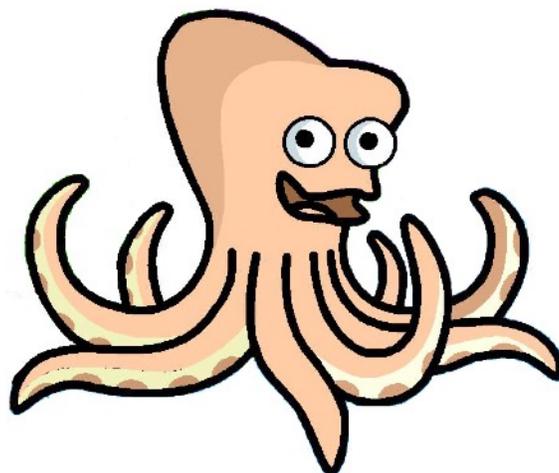
"Thanks so much," said the star from high up in the sky.

Claire was proud that she had saved a falling star.

Flesch Kincaid Grade Level -0.1

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Octopus

One day Claire woke up. She was an octopus.

“Mom, I am an octopus,” said Claire.



“That is nice. Now figure out what to do with your eight arms,” said her mom.

Claire thought and thought.

“I think I will play some music,” she said.



She got out a guitar and played it.

She got out a trumpet and played it.

She got out a drum and played it.

She then got out a maraca and played it.



“I bet I can play all of these at once with my eight arms,” said Claire.

She picked up the maraca. She put the drum next to her. She picked up the trumpet. She then picked up the guitar.



She began to play music with the guitar, the trumpet, the drum, and the maraca.

“Your band sounds great,” said her mother.

“Thanks, Mom. It is fun to be a one octopus band,” said Claire.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 1.0

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Basketball

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“Good morning, Teacher,” said Claire as she walked into her classroom before school.

“Good morning,” said her teacher who was sitting at the teacher’s desk. “How can I help you?”

“I want to be a basketball,” said Claire.

“Why do you want to be a basketball?” asked her teacher.



“I think it would be fun to fly in the air and then go *swish* through the basketball net,” replied Claire.

“Okay you can become a basketball. Please come over here,” said the teacher. Claire’s teacher reached inside the teacher’s desk and pulled out the lucky buffalo coin. Claire walked over to the teacher’s desk. Her teacher held the coin above Claire’s head.

“Basketball, basketball, basketball,” said the teacher.



There was a loud *poof*, followed by some white smoke, and Claire was a basketball.

One of Claire's friends walked into the classroom just at that time.

"Do you want to go out and play basketball?" asked Claire the basketball. Her friend stopped right in her tracks and looked at the talking basketball.

"How can a basketball talk?" she asked.



“It’s me, Claire,” said Claire. “Our teacher used the lucky buffalo coin and turned me into a basketball.”

“Boy, you must have done something really bad for our teacher to turn you into a basketball,” said the friend.

“No, I didn’t. I asked our teacher to turn me into a basketball because I wanted to be a basketball,” said Claire with a big smile.



“You kids can go outside and play,” said the teacher. “You have about five minutes before school will start. Just remember to bring Claire back inside.”

Claire’s friend grabbed Claire the basketball and ran outside with her.

“Cool basketball,” said the other kids on the playground.

“It is just me, your friend, Claire,” said the basketball.

“Neat,” said the kids.



The kids all played basketball with Claire the basketball.

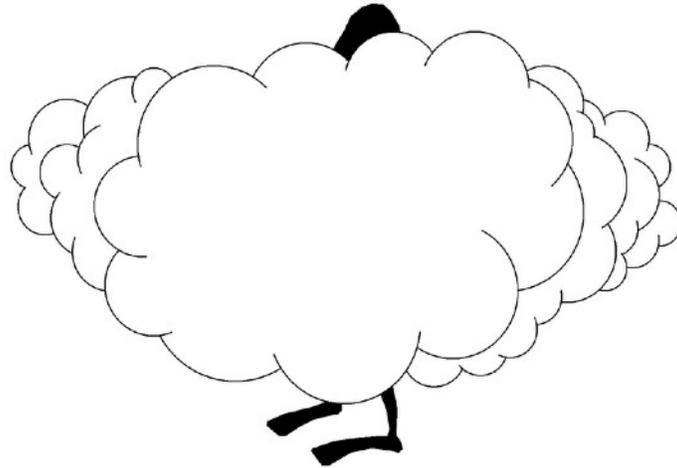
“Does it hurt being a basketball?” asked one of the friends.

“Not a bit,” said Claire. “Shoot me through the hoop again.”

One of the kids picked up Claire and took a shot. *Swish* went Claire.

“That sure is fun,” said Claire. “Thanks.”

The school bell then rang. Claire’s friend went back into the classroom with Claire and walked over to their teacher.



The teacher held up the lucky buffalo coin and said, “Claire, Claire, Claire.” There was a *poof*, then some white smoke, and Claire was Claire the girl again.

“Thank you. It was a lot of fun being a basketball. Maybe tomorrow I can be a baseball,” said Claire.

“I am glad you had fun. We can see about you being a baseball tomorrow. Now, time for school,” said the teacher.

Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level 2.6

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