1. Stuck? First find the vowel. Read the vowel and the following letters, for example if you are suck on “bike” read “ike,” then “bike.” TAP OUT THE SOUNDS.
2. Retell each story to a parent. Try to do it in one sentence using “Somebody Wanted But So Then.” For example, on The Shed, “The family **wanted** a clean shed **but** it was a mess **so** Mom, Dad, and Chad fixed it **then** Beth popped in.”

The Shed

What a mess! When can Mom, Dad, and Chad fix it? Mom can cut this big shrub. Chad can pitch that trash. Dad can fix the path. Chad can fix the flowers. Beth pops in. This shed is the best!

Shep

Shep can not fit. He is big and this box is not. Shep is not light. He is not thin. Shep is long. He can not sit in Mitch’s lap. Which lap can Shep fit on? Shep can fit on these laps.

Hen’s Chicks

Hen has six eggs. When will these eggs hatch? Hen sits in the shack. Crack. Crack. Six eggs hatch. Six chicks scratch in one patch. Hen pecks in the other patch. Then they all rest. This nest is just right.

Pets in a Tank

Kate and Jake spot a big tank. Kate and Jake think they will get a pet. Kate dunks a net in the lake. Plunk! Plunk! Frogs hop away. Jake flings string in the lake. Splash! Splash! Ducks swim away. In the end, Kate and Jake get ten fish at Dave's Pet Place.

Gram’s Trip

Gram packs a big trunk so she could take a long plane trip. This is Gram in a hot place with lots and lots of sand. This is Gram in a wet place with lots and lots of big snakes! I think Gram had fun but I am glad that Gram is back!

Stuck in the House

Plink, plink, plop, plop! Jane and Mom can not make it to the game. Jane is sad. “What a shame. I can not swing and hit. Mom tells Jane, “We can still have a game. We can swing and hit over this net.” Jane stands up and hits. Ping! Mom hits it back. Pong! “This game is fun!” yells Jane.

Pine Lake

Mike likes to hike at Pine Lake. Rick likes to ride his bike at Pine Lake. Mike and Rick can't take the same path. Mike doesn't ride. Rick doesn't hike. Mike takes the wide path. Rick takes the flat path. Mike and Rick sit at the side of Pine Lake. It's time to eat!

Fun Rides

Mom gave Kim five dimes. Kim got in line. Stan said, “This big slide costs five dimes. It's a fun run.” “This big swing costs five dimes. It's a fun ride. Will you try it?” asked Stan. Kim gave Stan five dimes. She got in a little red and white car. “This is fun,” said Kim. “I can't drive our big car.”

Jim and Sal

Sal can ride five miles fast. Jim asks to ride his bike with Sal. But Jim can’t ride quite that fast. Jim is much too little. Sal can run fast with that kite. Good! The kite can fly up, up, up! Jim runs and runs with his kite. It’s up! Jim is not too little to fly a kite.