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Please practice decoding all of these words and be sure that the child is confident to do so before giving him/her this book to read.

This book introduces short vowel sound

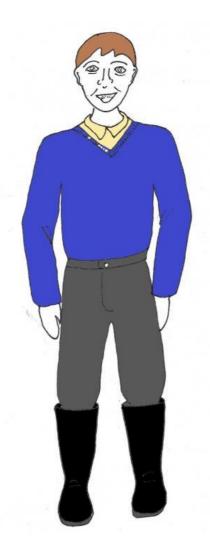
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In this book, the text is on one page and the child must turn over to see the picture. This is to discourage guessing the words by looking the picture.

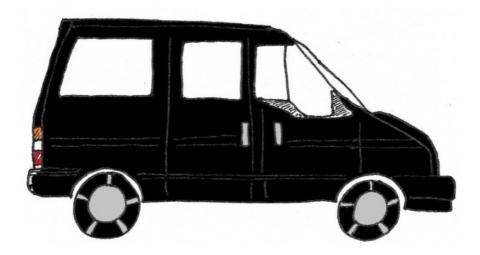
Guessing is not a reading strategy but rather prevents true reading from taking place and so it must be avoided at all costs. The urge to guess is very strong in many children.

Introduction: Do you want to be able to read? Well, you can! Here is a book you can read all by yourself!

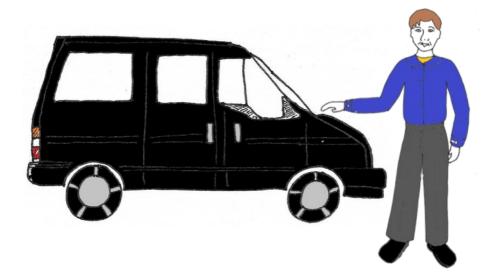
a man



a van



a man had a van



a fat cat



