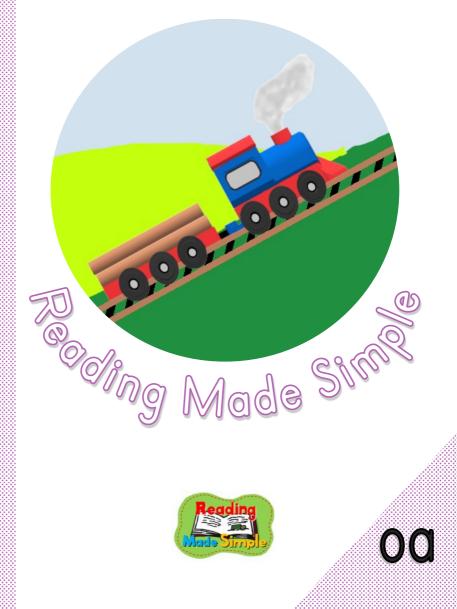
The Black Truck and the Blue Train



Here are some words you will read in this book.

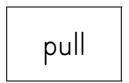
You can sound them all out.

Practice them until you can read them easily.

Then you will be ready to read the book.

puff	chuff	across
un-load	a-long	something
quack	goes	more

Here is a word you will meet lots of times. Practice it before reading the book.



This book includes words in sound families up to and including **oa**, following the Reading Made Simple Progression of introducing sounds.

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Introduction: Do you like to see trains? Sam and Pam do. A train runs by the farm. Find out what happens to the train in this story! The Blue Train runs on the track by Tom's farm.

The Blue Train sees a duck on the pond.

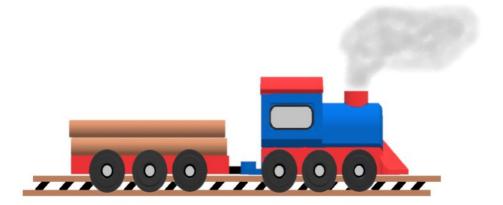
- "Puff, puff," goes the train.
- "Quack, quack," says the duck.
- The train goes by the horse in the yard.

Then he sees Pam and Sam in the farm yard.

Sam and Pam like to see the Blue Train. They wave as it goes by. The Blue Train goes, "Toot, toot," The Blue Train pulls logs up the track to the dock.

Chuff, chuff.

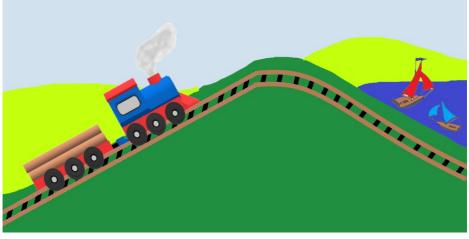
The Blue Train is on time.



The Blue Train pulls the logs up the steep hill.

"I must not stop, I must not stop," chuffs the train.

The Blue Train gets to the top of the hill with a big puff of steam. He can see lots of boats on the lake.



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"Toot, toot," says the Blue Train. The Blue Train stops at the dock. The men lift the logs off the truck. They will put them on a big ship to go across the sea.

The Blue Train must rush back.

"I must not be late, I must not be late," chuffs the Blue Train. One day, Sam said, "The Blue Train is late."

It did not come along the line as Pam and Sam stood waiting to wave.

"It will come soon," said Pam. "The Blue Train runs on time.

Soon the blue Train came along the track.

Chug, Chug. Chug.

The Blue Train had big rocks on the truck at the back.

"The Blue Train looks sad," said Sam.

"Wave," said Pam.

But the Blue Train did not toot back.

"Something is up," said Sam.



"The Blue Train likes to toot to us." The Blue Train pulls the rocks up the hill.

It comes to a stop.

"The Blue Train must not stop on the hill," said Sam.

Tom comes to look.

"He cannot get up the hill," said Tom. "I must get the black truck and go and help. Tom, Sam and Pam get in the black truck. They go up the hill. They get to the Blue Train.

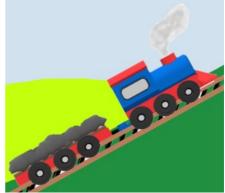
"I cannot pull the rocks up the hill," said the Blue Train. The rocks are too big and the hill is too steep!" "We can help," said Tom. "We can put some rocks in the truck and take them to the docks for you.



They all help to lift the rocks off the Blue Train and into the truck. Tom takes the rocks to the dock and comes back for some more. Soon the Blue Train can get up the hill.

"Toot, toot, toot, toot! said the Blue Train.

"He is glad!" says Sam.



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