

The Black Truck and the Fire



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Practice these words before reading the story.
You can sound them out.

across

fire

bonfire

flames

please

sparks

This book is to be read after the sound

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has been learnt.

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Introduction: Tom thinks Ted has a fire on his farm.
Find out what happens.

Tom is feeding the sheep high up on the hill top. He looks a-cross the hill to Ted's farm.

Tom has a fright.

"That looks like smoke," thinks Tom.

"I can see a lot of smoke. Ted must have a fire on his farm."

Tom feeds the sheep. He looks back at Ted's farm.

a-cross smoke fire

I can see bright flames, he thinks.

“Is Ted’s barn on fire?”

“Quick! I must go and help Ted. A fire is bad.” thinks Tom.

Tom got into the black truck and drove back to the farmyard.



flames

Quick

“Quick,” he said to his wife.

“Get in the truck. We must go to Ted’s farm. He has a fire.”

“A fire!” said Pam and Sam.

“Yes, a big fire,” said Tom.

“Can we come?” said Sam and Pam.

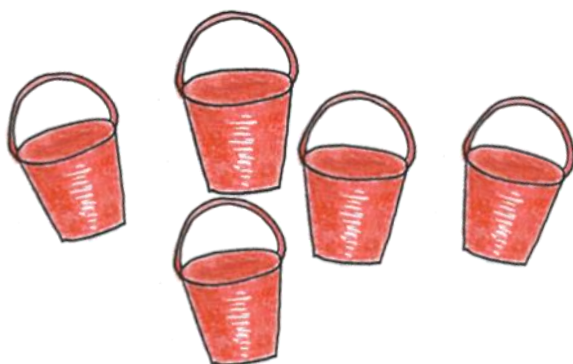
“Yes,” said Tom, “Bring lots of buckets!

I might need them to fill with water to put on the fire.”

Sam and Pam got lots of buckets.

Sam ran and got two buckets from the barn. Pam ran and got three buckets from the shed.

“We have five buckets,” said Pam.



“That is good,” said Tom.

“Please put them in the back of the truck.”

“Quick! Jump into the truck,” said Tom.

Off they go to Ted’s farm.



please

At Ted's farm, they see lots of thick smoke. They look for the fire but cannot see it.

The barn is not on fire. The shed is not on fire.

Tom fills the buckets with water
He takes two buckets.

"I will look for the fire," said Tom.
Soon he comes back.

Ted's

“Ted has not got a fire!”

“Not got a fire?” said his wife.

“That is right,” said Tom. “He has not got a bad fire, but he has got a bonfire!”

“It must be a big bonfire,” said Sam.

“It is,” said Tom. “Ted says you can come and see it.”

bonfire

They go to see Ted's big bonfire.

They see bright sparks going up, up,
up.

The smoke is so thick that they
cannot see the sunshine.



sparks

sun-shine

“Stay for tea tonight,” said Ted.

“We can eat by the bonfire.

It is so bright we will not need a torch.”

Tom, his wife, Sam, Pam and Ted sat by the bonfire and had a good time that night.