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## QUEENSLAND SCHOOL READER



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## THE CHICKS.

"Look-and-Say" words

saw said shall be we too

just ēš seed
drop weed deep tree feed cheep meet keep feel seems

 Tom saw a seed. "This seems to be a seed from that weed," he said to Bess.

"No, Tom," she said, "I saw it drop from this big tree."

3. "Let us feed the chicks with seeds," said Tom. Bess and Tom got a deep dish and fed the chicks with seeds from the tree.

4. The chicks said, "Cheep, Cheep!" when Bess and Tom fed them.

- 5. The big hen was glad that the chicks got the seeds. Her eggs will be for Tom and Bess.
- 6. "I feel glad that we saw the seeds, Tom," said Bess. "Cheep, Cheep!" said the chicks, "we feel glad, too, Bess."
- "We shall keep this dish, just to feed the chicks," said Tom.
- 8. "I see Dad. Let us run to meet him," said Bess. "Off we go!"
- 9. "Cheep, Cheep!" said the chicks. "Cheep, Cheep!"



vou vour

"Sound-and-Say" words

6

pic-nic

catch west.

back rock

off

coat loaf Joan

float soak

1. "Let us go for a pic-nic," said Dad to Mum and Joan

"Oh!" said Joan, "I am so glad."

"I shall get a boat," said Dad.

"Joan," said Mum, "get your coat." 3. "Step into the boat," said

Dad, "and I shall let it float."

4. "Oh Dad!" said Joan, "I can see a fish."

"Get your net, Joan," said Mum,
"I shall catch it for you."

5. Mum did not catch the fish for Joan. It swam to a big rock.

6. "Let us stop the boat at the bank, Dad," said Mum. "I shall cut the loaf for the pic-nic."

7. "Mum," said Joan, "I shall let this bit of the loaf soak for the fish."

"The sun is in the west," said Dad. "Let us get into the boat."

9. "Joan must go off to bed," said Mum.



old have

"Look-and-Say" words "Sound-and-Say" words

six C heade bring readeach near gift peach dear neat had feast. seat clap treat vears Beth

1. Meg is six years old.

"Let us have a feast for her. said Nan. "It will be a treat. Each of us will bring a gift to the feast.'

2. Tom has a big peach for Meg. Joan has red beads. Jim has a box for the beads. Beth has a neat dress for her. Bess has a doll.

- 3. Wee Fred will sit upon a seat near Meg. He has a gift, too. It is a pet kit.
- 4. We shall have such fun at the feast. Dear Meg will be so glad. She will be glad she is six years old.
- Nan will read to us, when we have had the feast.

6. Clap for Meg! Clap for her feast!



"Look-and-Say" words one day

elf fix
green drops
leaf bend
shell brush

āi sail
pail rain wait
rail drain
nail paint

- Tid was an elf. He was such a dear wee elf. One day, he had a pail and a brush.
- 2. "I shall paint this green leaf red," he said. Then he sat on a rail near by and did so.
- "It will just do as a sail for my boat." His boat was a nut-shell.



- 4. He had to fix the sail on with a nail. He saw one in the drain.
- 5. Such fun he had, when he went for a sail in his shell!
- 6. "Pit-pat! Pit-pat!" said big drops of rain.
- "Oh dear!" said Tid, "I must get my boat to the bank. I can wait near the tree till the rain stops."
- "Rain-drops, do not bend my red sail," said Tid.
- 8. "No," said the rain-drops, "we shall stop to-day, and let the sun see your boat with its red leaf



"Sound-and-Say" words

hear bump

🥮 pie tears them tried dries mud still cried dried steps

- 1. "Oh! hear the rain!" said Bess. "We cannot go out to-day."
- 2. Ned cried. Bess dried his tears. "We can still have fun, Ned," she said.
- 3. "Do you see that wet mud by the back steps? It will just do for mud-pies.'

- 4. Ned was not sad then. "I can get the mud for you, Bess," he said.
- 5. "Do not get wet, dear," said Mum. "No, I shall get his coat for him and tie on his hat." said Bess.
- 6. "What must I do with the mud, Bess?" said Ned.
- 7. "Bump it and rub it in your hands till it is soft." she said.
- 8. Ned tried. When his mud was soft, he said, "See! I have a pie, Bess." "I have six pies," said Bess.
- 9. "Oh Bess!" said Ned, "let us have a pie-shop, and when the sun dries the mud, we can sell mud-pies."

"Look-and-Say" words
"Sound-and-Say" words

help plants wind frow show throw blow own slow

- One day Dad was in his big garden. Beth and Ted ran to him and said, "Let us help you, Dad."
- Dad was glad. "You each may have a garden of your own," he said.
- 3. "Ted," said Dad, "you may help Beth to set the plants in a neat row." "Dear wee plants," said Beth, "grow up for me! Do not be too slow."

- 4. "I shall show Mum my garden," said Ted. "I shall show her my garden, too," said Beth.
- 5. "Ted," said Mum, "do not let that weed grow. The wind will blow its seeds into your garden. Throw it into the bin."
- Each day, Beth and Ted saw the plants grow.
- 7. "What a dear wee garden it is!" said Beth, as she ran with her can. "I am so glad it is my own."



"Look-and-Say" words farm they

"Sound-and-Say" words

stack tea then which went



- 1. "Get your hats, Joan and Jim, and we shall go to the farm," said Dad.
- 2. They went in the old dray. Such fun they had on the way!
- 3. At the farm they saw the hay in a big stack.

"May we play in the hay, Dad?" said Jim 4. "Well," said Dad, "you must help me feed the pigs, and get the stray hens back into the pen. Then you may play in the hay."

5. Joan and Jim ran to the hay. A big gray cat was in the hay. "Tib," said Joan, "do play with us in the hay."

Tib did not stay. She ran to catch a rat which she saw in the weeds.

- 7. "I hear the bell for tea," said Jim. "Let us run in."
- So they had tea. Then they got up into the dray to go back.
- 9. They did have fun at the farm.

"Look-and-Say" word came

"Sound-and-Say" words

milk fell Tim's Mum's sip fresh wings y = i fly my shy why by dry sky sty cry

1. A fly came by wee Tim. It saw Tim's milk. "I shall have a sip," it said. But it fell in.

2. Tim cried. "Why did you cry, Tim?" said Nan. "A fly fell in-to my milk," said Tim.

3. "I shall throw the milk out," said Nan. "The fly can then dry its wings and fly off to the sky."



4. "Bad fly!" said Tim. "Bad fly!"

5. Nan sat near Tim, and then he had the fresh milk. No fly came to have a sip of it.

6. Wee Tim was so shy. He hid in Mum's dress, when Pam came to see him.

7. "Do not be shy, dear." said Mum. "Pam will play with you."

8. Tim did play with Pam that day. They went to see the pigs in

the stv.

9. "Wee, wee, wee, wee!" said the pigs.

"Look-and-Say" words says two now

"Sound-and-Say" words

ves feet &

road

ōå	toes	ūě
goes	Joe	due

- 1. Dear wee Joe is just one year old. Can he step out vet? Yes he can. See! When he steps out, he goes on his toes.
- 2. Catch his hand, Ned. Help him to step out on his two feet. He is due to step out now.
- 3. Dad says that he is a big lad, but Mum says that he is still just dear, wee Joe.

- 4. Joan will let Joe play with her pet pup. When he is two years old, Dad will get him a pet pup of his own
- 5. Mum says that it is best to wait, till Joe can run and play with his pet.
- 6. Joan will not let her pup run on the road. She will tie him up, if he will not stay near her.
- Each day, Ned and Joan will help Joe to step out. The pup will go with them, too.



"Look-and-Say" words were mother

"Sound-and-Say" words twins ā/ê cake held take spade save teach bake gave waves catch Dave Jane came

 The twins were so glad, when the day came for them to go to the sea.
 "I shall take the spade Dad

"I shall take the spade Dad gave me," said Dave.

3. "May I take my pail, Mother?" said Jane. "Yes," said Mother, "and I shall bake a big cake to take with us."

4. Off they went.

5. The twins, Dave and Jane, had such fun on the sand and in the

sea

- 6. "What a big wave!" said Jane. "Let us run from it, Dave."
- 7. "Catch us if you can," they said to the wave, as they tried to run out of the sea.
- 8. The wave did catch them, but Mother held out her hands and said, "I shall save you from this one."
- "What fun that was!" said the twins.
- 10. "I shall teach you to swim," said Dad, "and then the waves cannot catch you."

"Oh yes, Dad, do!" said Dave and Jane.



"Look-and-Say" word

put

"Look-and-Say" word

clean drive

mate

ay" words

i\lambda \text{\hat{o}} \text{\hat{o}} \text{five}

drive slide fine like

hide mice line white

side wire time

1. Dad gave Tom a gift of five white mice. He had to keep them in a big box.

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The box had wire on it, to keep the mice safe from old Tib, the cat.

3. When the mice saw Tib, they tried to hide from her. They did not like her.

- 4. Tom had to drive her off each time she came to the box. The mice had a fine time in the box.
- Tom's mate, Dave, came to see the mice slide on a wire line, which Tom put in the box for them.
  - 6. Have you seen white mice?7. They are such dear wee pets.
  - They run from side to side of the box.
  - Tom feeds them and keeps the box clean.
  - Run, mice, run! Run and slide on your line. Let Tom and Dave see you.





"Look-and-Say" words	give	won
"Look-and-Say" words	give	won

"Sound-and-Say" words

liked	ō/ê		bone	18
race	home	hope	stove	4
gave	rope	drove	woke	6

- One day Ted saw a sad old dog. The dog had no home and no one to give him a bone.
   A bad lad hit him with a rope,
- and drove him from his gate.
- 3. The sad old dog came up to Ted. Ted gave him a pat and said, "Dear old Spot! I shall take you home with me."





- 4. Spot was so glad. Ted fed the dog and made him a bed by the stove.
- "I hope he will stay with us," said Bess.
- When Spot woke up, he did stay, for he liked Ted and Bess.
- 7. He goes for a run with them each day.
- One day, Ted, Bess, and Spot had a race.
- 9. Spot won the race. Ted and Bess gave him a pat and then gave him a big bone.



once cold "Look-and-Say" words

"Sound-and-Say" words

sick cube snug tune use lift. cure next while

- Jane came home sick one day. Mother put her to bed at once. It was such a cold day.
- 2. "You must keep snug and get well, dear," said her mother,
- 3. Dad was sad when he saw Jane so ill.
- 4. "I shall bring her a gift which will be of use to her, while she is in

bed," he said.

- 5. The gift was a box like a cube. "Lift the lid and it will play a tune for you." Dad said.
- 6. Jane did. "Oh, Dad!" she said, "may I let Bess hear the tune too?" "Yes, you may," he said.
- 7. "The tune in the box will help to cure Jane. It has made her so glad," said Mother.
- 8. Next day, Jane said, "I am well. May I get up to-day?"

Mother let her get up.

9. "I shall take my box and play the tune for my pet cat, Tib, and for my pet pup, Tup. They will like it, too," she said. "Look-and-Say" words come told

1. One day Mother let Eve go with her in the bus, to see the shops. Pete her play-mate, went with them.

- 2. Eve and Pete liked the shops.
- 3. "Wait here for me," said
- Mother, "while I go into this shop to get a cake for each of you."
- Pete held Eve by the hand, till Mother came out of the shop with the cakes.
- 5. "I hope you will like these," she said.

"Thank you," said the chums, "they are nice."

6. "The bus is due to take us home," said Mother. "We must not miss it. Here it is!"

7. "Come, Eve and Pete. Take your seats."

8. As they drove home, Mother told Eve that she had a gift for Dad

in her bag. It was a pipe.

9. "Oh, please let me give it to him, Mother," said Eve.

10. Dad was so glad when he got the pipe. "Thank you," he said.

got the pipe. "Thank you," he said.
"I shall use it at once."



"Look-and-Say" words took soon hal look hoo! grub heen say-ing visit gum beak

1. Tom had been ill, so Mother took him for a visit to a farm.

Jack-ass jumped smiled

- 2. It was late when they got to the farm. Tom was glad to go to bed and rest.
- 3. "Hoo, hoo, ha, ha!" was the cry which woke him the next day.
- 4. Tom sat up in bed. Mother smiled. "That is Jack," she said. "He is say-ing, 'It is time to get up.'

- 5. "Oh!" said Tom, "then I shall get up at once," and he jumped out of bed.
- 6. Just then, Old Jack came to a tree near by. He saw a big fat grub and soon had it in his beak.
- "That will be a treat for the wee ones," said Mother.
- "Look," said Tom, "off he goes with it to the old gum-tree."
- 9. "Hoo, hoo, ha, ha, ha!" cried Jack, as he sat up in the gum-tree.
- 10. "I am glad I am at the farm," said Tom. "I like to hear Old Jack."



"Look-and-Say" words buy

buy	blue
all	stars

"Sound-and-Say" words

penny	Neil	steps
swept	three	cross
	cheers	

 Neil had a penny of his own, and then his mother gave him one.

2. "Thank you, Mother," said Neil. "I shall save up to buy a flag."

3. One day, he swept the steps, so Dad gave him a penny.

4. "Oh, thank you, Dad," he said. "Now I can buy a flag."



- 5. Off he went to the shop and soon came back with the flag.
- 6. "Come and see my flag, Mother," said Neil.
- 7. "Look at the stars on it and the blue, just like the sky.
- 8. I am glad I saw it in the shop. Look at me, while I wave it."
- As he did so, he cried, "Three cheers for the red, white and blue."
  - 10. Jim and Ned came to visit Neil, and he let them wave his flag. "Three cheers for the red, white and blue," they all cried.



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"Look-and-Say" words	loved after	find wash
"Sound-and-Say" words		

kept hug sleep Pal rag hugged named

lost for-got used

1. Nell loved her rag doll. She

- named it, Pal, for it was her mate.

  2. She used to take it to bed with her and hug it, as she went off
- 3. In the day-time, she kept Pal in a pram.
- 4. One day, when Nell went to the pram, Pal was not in it. Nell looked and looked for her doll but
- she did not find it.
  5. "Oh Mother, Pal is lost. I cannot find her," said Nell.

- Then Mother looked and Dad looked, but they did not find Pal.
- 7. When it was time for Nell to go to bed, she was sad and she cried. "Do not cry, dear," said Mother. "We shall find Pal."
- 8. When Mother went to Nell's bed she said, "Nell, come here and look!"
- Nell ran to the bed. There was Pal in it! "Oh dear Pal, here you are! You are not lost after all," said Nell, as she hugged and hugged her doll.
- 10. "I for-got that I put her to bed, when I took off her dress to wash it," said Nell to Mother.



"Look-and-Say" words ask

down paper open paste about kind

'Sound-and-Say'' words

Frank kite string made .

bits

smile died gav

wind tail away 1. "Oh." said Frank. "Look at the tree, as the wind blows it about!

face

- 2. This is just the kind of day to fly a kite. Dad, will you help me to make one, please?"
- 3. "Yes." said Dad. Mother for paper, string and paste. I shall get two sticks."

- 4. Dad made the kite, Frank painted a face on it, while Mother made a tail with bits of paper.
- 5. Out into the open, went Dad and Frank to fly the kite.
- 6. Up, up, up, went the kite into the sky.
- 7. "How gay it looks with the smile on its face!" said Frank.
- 8. When the wind died away, the kite came down and Frank took it home.
- He had a smile on his face as he said, "Oh, Mother, I am glad I have a kite to fly. I like to see it go up into the sky."



"Look-and-Say" words			last
	call	birds	bush

"Sound-and-Say" words

camp lit creek rose packed lunch poles tents chop from fire wade

1. "Are all the ports packed, Mother?" said Dad. "Yes," said Mother, "this is the last one."

2. With Ned's help, Dad put them in the car.

- 3. Then off he drove out into the bush with Mother, the twins, and Ned, to camp near a creek.
  - 4. Ned went to chop trees for tent-poles. The twins, Joan and Meg, took the pail to the creek to fill it. Dad lit the fire, and Mother set out the lunch.

- 5. When lunch was over, Dad put up the tents near big gum-trees.
- 6. "Do let us wade in the creek, please," said the twins. Then away they went to float the leaves which fell from the trees.
- 7. What fun they had! Each day they woke, as the sun rose, to hear the glad call of the birds.
- They were sad when the time came for them to go home.
- 9. "Cheer up!" said Dad. "We shall come back to camp here, next year."



"Look-and-Say" words

how	bark	four	good	
count	door	eight	smart	

"Sound-and-Say" words



tricks nine seven alive

(1.) I'm a dog,

My name is Ben.

This is how

I count to ten.



(2.) One, two,
I bark at you.
Three, four,
Open the door.



(3.) Five, six,
I do my tricks.
Seven, eight,
I jump the gate.

(4.) Nine, ten, All say, "Good Ben."

(5.) One, two,
Three, four, five,
I am glad
I am alive.

(6.) Six, seven, Eight, nine, ten, Let me hear You say, "Good Ben.
(7.) Two, four.

Six, eight, ten, Are you all As smart as Ben?

	New	Words.	
1	meet	3	one
saw	seems	have	
said	2	old	day
shall		six	elf

bring green be you gift leaf your we had shell picnic too clap fix catch Beth just drops west beads bend

drop read back seed neat rock weed seat off feed treat boat each keep deep

soak

Joan

feel

tree

pail rail coat nail peach rain float feast cheep

loaf drain years near

dear

brush

paint wait

sail

cry

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says

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now

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feet

road

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Joe

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mother

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mud

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Tim's

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shy

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milk

fell

wind

grow

row

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teach	side	stove	thank
cake	slide	woke	held
take	mice		pipe
bake	wire	13	miss
came	fine	once	Eve
spade	line	cold	Pete
gave	time	sick	here
Dave	like	snug	these
save	white	lift	
wave-s		next	15
Jane	12	while	took
	give	cube	look
11	won	tune	soon
put	liked	use	hoo!
clean	race	cure	ha!
safe	gave		ill
Tom's	bone	14	visit
mate	home	come	Jack-ass
five	rope	told	grub
drive	hope	bus	gum
hide	drove	please	jumped

been beak smiled say-ing	kept rag lost Pal	bits wind kite made	lunch from creek poles
16 buy blue all	hug hugged for-got sleep	face tail died gay	fire wade rose
stars cheers penny	more named used	19 ports	how count bark
swept cross Neil three	18 ask paper paste	call over birds last	door four eight good
17 loved after find wash	open about down kind Frank string	bush camp packed chop tents lit	smart tricks seven nine alive



