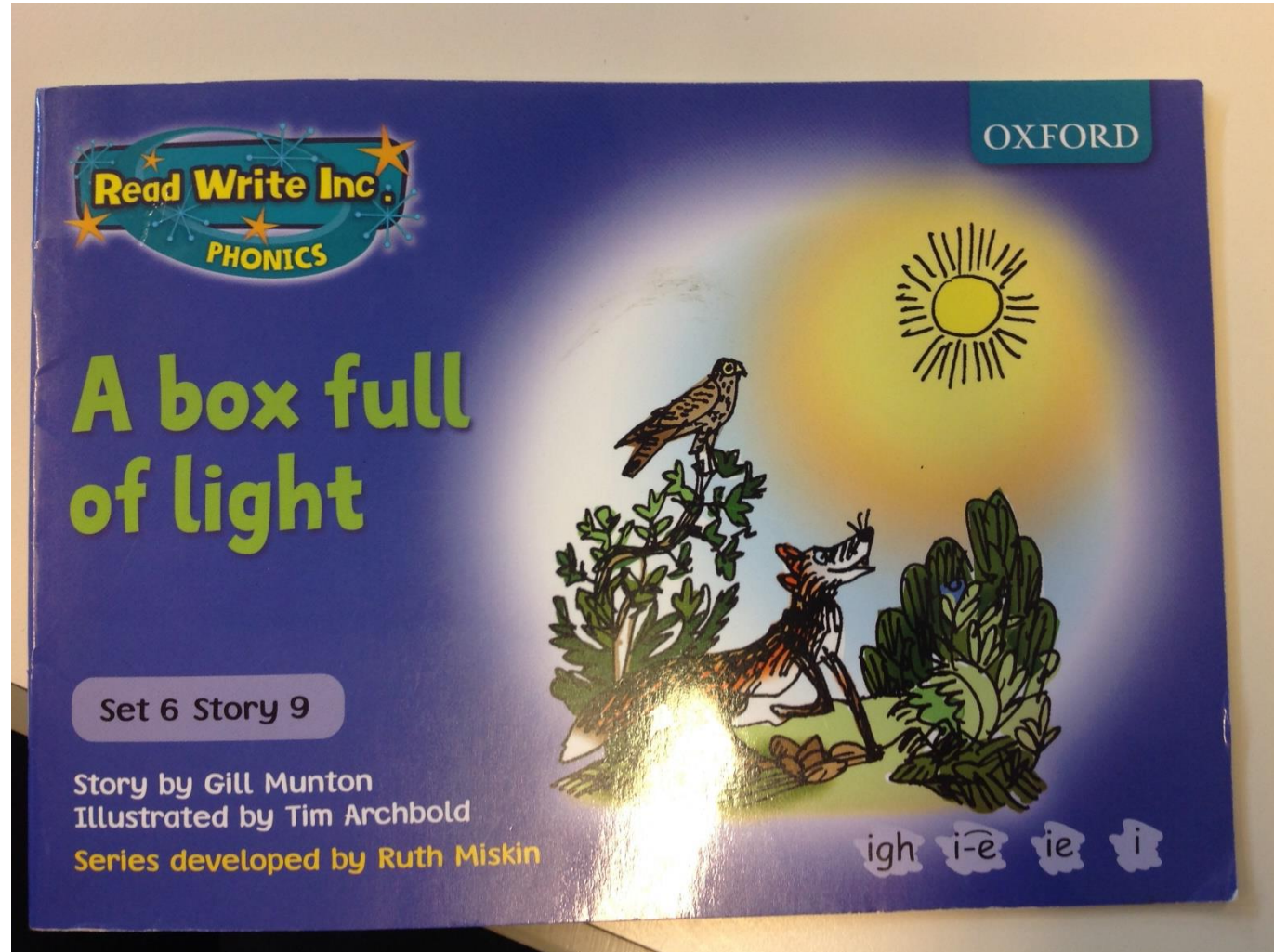


Day 1: Prediction and Green/red words



Green words

Read in Fred Talk (pure sounds).

dark steal hard ate strong shook free
night sight light fright high
shine while hide white pile pine fine nice prize nine twice
quite time life like kite wide smile five rice pie lie

Read in syllables.

al`ways chil`dren stor`y light`ning
in`side be`side

Read the root word first and then with the ending.

animal	→	animals	ask	→	asked	look	→	looking
peep	→	peeped	untie	→	untied	whine	→	whined
decide	→	decided	glide	→	gliding	guide	→	guided
fry	→	fried	spice	→	spicy	wife	→	wives
slice	→	slices						

Red words

all who her there their could Humans

Day 2: Reading and comprehension questions

Vocabulary check

Discuss the meaning (as used in the story) after the children have read each word.

	definition:	sentence/phrase:
whined	<i>a moany, grumpy voice</i>	<i>'I don't like this at all!' whined Fox.</i>
pal	<i>friend</i>	<i>I need a good pal to help me.</i>
humans	<i>people: men, women and children</i>	<i>In the land of Humans.</i>
gliding	<i>flying smoothly</i>	<i>Kestrel gliding on her wide grey wings...</i>
trotted	<i>gentle running</i>	<i>while Fox trotted along the track.</i>
guided	<i>led</i>	<i>The light guided them to a camp.</i>
chink	<i>hole</i>	<i>Kestrel spotted a chink in the box.</i>
what a prize	<i>what a great thing to have</i>	<i>Then we'll grab the box of light. What a prize!</i>
bolt of light	<i>a line of light, like lightning</i>	<i>A bolt of white light shot up.</i>

Punctuation to note in this story:

1. Capital letters to start sentences and full stops to end sentences
2. Capital letters for names
3. Exclamation marks to show anger, shock and surprise
4. 'Wait and see' dots ...
5. Apostrophe to show contractions: can't

A box full of light

A long time ago, in the Land of the Animals,
it was *always* night.

It was quite dark, all the time.

The animals had a hard life,
as they kept bumping into things.



"I don't like this at all!" whined Fox.

"I can't see to find my lunch."

"What I need," he said to himself,
"is a good pal, to help me.
But who shall I pick?"



In the end he decided on Kestrel,
with her strong wings and her
good sight.



The next day, Kestrel said to Fox,
"In the Land of Humans, there is
a bright light. Kite told me. Shall we go
and steal it?"

So off they went,
Kestrel gliding on her wide grey wings
while Fox trotted along the track.

Twice, they saw bright flashes of lightning.

"That must be the light!" said Fox with a smile.

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The light guided them to a camp with five tents.
Men cooked fish with spicy fried rice,
and their wives and children ate slices of rabbit pie.
It was a fine sight.

"That smells nice!" said Kestrel.
"This must be the Land of
Humans."

Fox was looking at a big box,
almost hidden behind a pile of pine logs.

"What's inside it, do you think?" he asked.



Kestrel spotted a chink in the box.

"I think it might be - the light!" she said.

"Let's hide until the men go to sleep," said Fox.

"We can lie behind that pile of logs.

Then we'll grab the box of light.

What a prize!"

And that is what they did.



On the way back, Kestrel had to rest for a while.
Fox sat beside the box as she slept.
He kept looking at the box.
He sniffed the lid.
He untied the lid and peeped into the box -
but the lid slipped right off,
and a bolt of white light shot up, up,
into the blackness of the night!



Fox had such a fright that he shook Kestrel's wing until she sat up.

"Fetch the light back!" he said.



So Kestrel took a long flight -
nine, ten, eleven miles -
so high that she went right out of sight.

But she didn't catch the bright light.

*This story has a happy ending.
The bright light was the Sun!
Fox had set it free, and it stayed high up
so that it could shine on all the animals as well as on Humans.*



Questions to talk about

Re-read the page. Read the question to the children. Tell them whether it is a **FIND IT** question or **PROVE IT** question.

FIND IT

- ✓ Turn to the page
- ✓ Read the question
- ✓ Find the answer

PROVE IT

- ✓ Turn to the page
- ✓ Read the question
- ✓ Find your evidence
- ✓ Explain why

Page 9:	FIND IT	Why did the animals not like being in the dark all the time?
Page 10:	FIND IT	Why did Fox choose Kestrel to help him?
Page 11:	FIND IT	What was their plan?
Page 12:	FIND IT	Where did the light take them? What did Fox find?
Page 13:	FIND IT	What was the next part of the plan?
Page 14:	PROVE IT	Why did Fox keep looking at the box? What happened when the lid slipped off the box?
Page 15:	PROVE IT	Why couldn't Kestrel catch the light?

Day 3: Hold a sentence

- The sentence to write is:
- "We can hide behind that pile of logs. Then we will grab the box of light".