

## Word Reading 14 Decodable Text

### Dee, Lee, and the Green Plants

Dee and Lee like beets.  
“We must plant beets!” they said.

Dee digs many little holes.  
She drops in small, thin seeds.  
Then she fills the holes.  
She pats them with her hand.

Lee gets to work next.  
He feeds the seeds.  
He digs up weeds and rakes.  
Then he makes a small wall.  
That wall will keep out small feet.

Lee and Dee work for weeks.  
They get red cheeks under the hot sun.  
But they like this work.  
They like seeing the plants come up.  
They like seeing the plants get big.  
In time, Dee and Lee will have beets!

Dee and Lee will dig up the beets.  
The beets will be deep red and sweet.  
They will be free food that is good for Dee and Lee.

### Long e Spelled e

we, she, he, be

### Long e Spelled ee

Dee, Lee, green, beets, seeds, feeds, weeds, keep, feet, weeks, cheeks, seeing, deep, sweet, free

### High-Frequency Words

the, they, said, many, little, her, to, work, a, out, for, under, come, have



## Lee Rakes

Lee stands in a deep pile of grass.  
She has a big, green rake in her hands.  
Grass sticks to the rake and to her heels.

Lee likes to rake grass in the fall.  
She likes the crisp feel of it under her feet.  
She likes to jump in the big piles she makes.

Dad works next to the little shed.  
He chops logs with a big, steel ax.  
He sees Lee standing in the deep grass pile.  
“Do you miss those hot days in June?” he asks.

“I like these weeks in the fall,” Lee tells him.  
“We still have many nice days.”  
“That seems wise to me,” Dad tells her.  
Dad smiles at Lee. Lee is a nice kid.  
Lee smiles back at Dad. Dad is sweet.

## Long e Spelled e

she, he, we, me

## Long e Spelled ee

Lee, deep, green, heels, feel, feet, steel, sees, weeks, seems, sweet

## High-Frequency Words

a, of, her, to, the, under, work, little, do, you, day, I, have, many



## Bandit

Bandit is a funny little puppy.  
He is just nine weeks old.  
I like to call him “fuzz ball.”  
That fuzz ball likes to lick hands and faces.  
He likes to nip at feet and noses.  
But his small teeth do not make cuts.  
It is all puppy fun.

Bandit likes to run and chase balls.  
He also likes to chase cats and kittens.  
That is too bad for Muffin.  
Muffin is a tabby cat in the home next to us.

Muffin was not happy to meet Bandit.  
That cat hissed and ran up a tree.  
Men in a fire truck had to save her.  
But now Bandit and Muffin are like best pals.  
They will sleep together in a black basket.  
Muffin will let that fuzz ball lick her.

Bandit is a funny little puppy.  
He makes us happy.

### Long e Spelled -y

funny, puppy, tabby, happy

### Syllable Pattern VC/CV

Bandit, kittens, Muffin, basket

### High-Frequency Words

a, little, old, I, to, do, also, too, for, the, was, her, now, are, they, together



## Picnic Time

“It is such a nice day,” Mom said.  
“Yes!” Dad said. “It is picnic time!”  
“Calvin, grab that pencil and tablet.  
We will make a list of stuff to take.”

Mom said, “Add ‘old picnic basket’ to the list.  
And napkins, plates, and little plastic cups.”  
Dad said, “Figs and grapes must be on that list.”  
Calvin made lots of notes.

Mom got the picnic basket, plates, and napkins.  
Calvin got the rest of the stuff and packed the van.

Mom drove five miles to Walnut Grove.  
Dad set the picnic quilt next to a big tree.  
Calvin got the picnic basket out of the van.  
They ate lunch. Then Calvin went to nap in the sun.

Just then, it was not sunny.  
In fact, Calvin felt big, wet drops!  
“I can’t nap in this mist,” Calvin said.  
“Grab the basket and quilt—now!” Mom yelled.  
“Picnic time is done!”  
Still, it was fun to be together at Walnut Grove.

## Long e Spelled -y

sunny

## Syllable Pattern VC/CV

picnic, Calvin, pencil, tablet, basket, napkins, plastic, Walnut

## High-Frequency Words

a, day, said, of, to, old, the, little, out, they, was, I, now, done, together

