## **Before reading**

### Tips for reading with children

Available to download from www.schofieldandsims.co.uk/mylettersandsounds.

## Say the sounds

These are the focus sounds that your child will practise in this book. Encourage them to point to each group of letters and say the sound.

## oe au i-e

Now practise reading these words containing the focus sounds together.

# tiptoes hauls prize

Some of the words in this book are 'tricky words'. They have a letter or letters that make an unexpected sound. Practise reading these tricky words together.

## asked called

#### Talk about the book

Look at and discuss the cover picture and title before asking the following question.

Who do you think the dog in the cover picture belongs to?

While you are reading, look at pages 2 and 3.

How do you think Roya, Dean and Joe feel about helping out on the farm?

## Vocabulary check

Read and discuss the new words using the definitions below.

A **crop** is something that farmers grow for food, such as beans or potatoes.

To **harvest** means to pick and collect crops when they are ready.

If a fruit or vegetable is **ripe**, it has grown enough and is ready to be harvested.

To **taunt** somebody means to tease or upset them by saying something unkind.