

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 letter or group of letters and say the sound.


s a t i n m d g o
e u h b f ff l ll

The words in blue are known as 'tricky words'. They have a letter or letters that make an unexpected sound. Practise reading these tricky words together.

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Talk about the book

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


 What different things can you see in the cover picture?

Vocabulary check

Read and discuss the new word using the definition below.

 **Gull** is another word for a seagull, which is a type of bird that lives near the sea.

While reading

 Look at page 7. How do you think the man is feeling at this point in the story?