

Before reading

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.

j v w x sh th ng ai
ee igh oo (long) oo (short)
ar or ow er

Some of the words in this book have lines under the letters. The line shows that the group of letters makes one sound. Practise reading these words together.


nail order harness roofing

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 do you think the man in the cover picture is doing?


While you are reading, look at page 7.

 What do you think the girl's dad might be building?

Vocabulary check

Read and discuss the new words using the definitions below.

 A **roofer** is someone who repairs or puts new roofs on buildings.

 A **harness** is made of straps and is used to keep a person safe or to stop them from falling.