

## Before reading

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### Say the sounds

In this book, your child will practise reading words with two consonant letters in a row. Practise reading these words together.

flat soft drink plump

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.

trail hamster munching


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.

said so like some little  
out when what


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### Talk about the book

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

 How do you think the people in the cover picture are feeling?

While you are reading, look at page 9.


 Where do you think Chomper might be?

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### Vocabulary check

Read and discuss the new words using the definitions below.

 **Pellets** are small pieces of food shaped like a ball or tube.

 A **litter** is a group of baby animals born at the same time.