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.

ay ie ou

Now practise reading these words containing the focus sounds together.

play cried around

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.

oh people

Talk about the book

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

What do you think is happening in the cover picture?

While you are reading, look at pages 4 and 5.

What do you think Jayden, Kay and Grandad will do with the cat that they have found?

Vocabulary check

Read and discuss the new words using the definitions below.

A tag is a small piece of metal attached to a pet's collar. It has the pet's name on it and sometimes the owner's details too.

 \bigcirc A **stray** is the name for an animal that does not have an owner or a home.