

## Before reading

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### Tips for reading with children

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### Say the sounds

These are the focus sounds that your child will practise in this book.

#### or and ar for unstressed /er/ at the end of words


Practise reading these words containing the focus sounds together.

tractor    calendar


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### Talk about the book

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

 What type of lucky card do you think this story will be about?


While you are reading, look at page 7.

 Why do you think Melissa put the card in her pocket?


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### Vocabulary check

Read and discuss the new words using the definitions below.

 A **season** is a period of time in the year when a particular sport is played, for example football.

 If something is described as **spectacular** it means it is extremely good.

 **Striker, defender** and **keeper** are the names of different types of players in a football team. Strikers attack and score goals, while defenders and keepers try to stop the other team from scoring goals.

 If something or someone is described as **stellar** it means they are excellent!