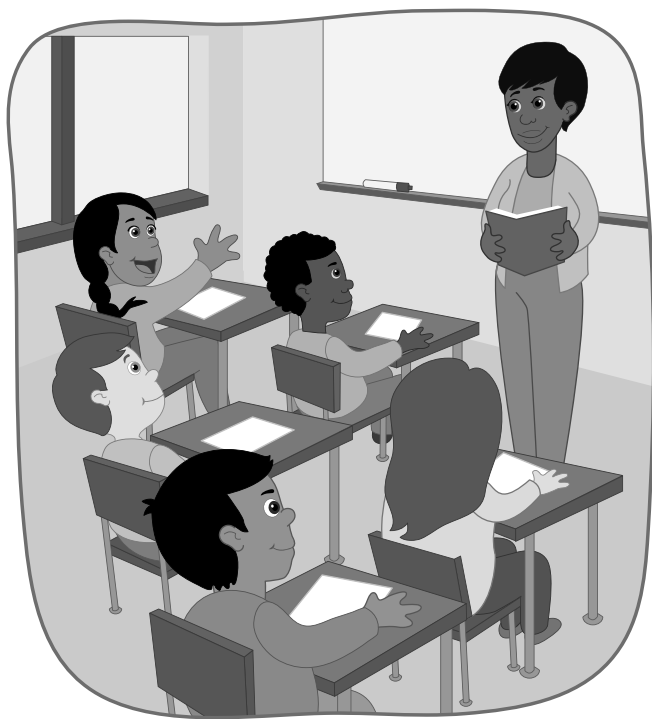


Class Pets



Focus Skill: Double S, F, and Z, and Plurals

Adapted from: *Reading Horizons Discovery® Little Book Class Pets*, Lexile: 450L

Student Part: Miss Moss

Teacher Part (or advanced reader part): Tess

Tips:

Repeated reading with appropriate decodable text is an excellent way to build reading fluency with students. Consider using choral reading, Cloze reading, echo reading, and partner reading with feedback as a way for students to practice.

Note that the role of Tess has been adapted to include many words outside of the decodable scope and sequence and would be best suited for a teacher or student who has mastered the decoding skills to read the lines accurately.

Summary:

Miss Moss, a zany first-grade teacher, has been asked by her student, Tess, for a class pet. Will they get a cow or perhaps a pig for a class pet? Read to find out what the best class pet will be!

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Tess: Miss Moss, can we get a class pet? Please!

Miss Moss: Yes! But what will be the best class pet?

A pig that will sit in the mud?

Bees that will buzz?

A snake that will hiss?

Tess: No, Miss Moss, I'm scared of snakes!

Miss Moss: How about a cow that will not get off the grass?

Hens with a lot of fluff or ducks with fuzz?

Tess: Miss Moss, that's just silly!

Miss Moss: I know! A cat that will let us dress her up.

Tess: Miss Moss, I'm allergic to cats!

Miss Moss: I know just the thing! A dog we can toss sticks and other stuff to.

(Pulls dog out of bag or out from under a desk.)

Tess: Miss Moss! Is that your dog?!

Miss Moss: Yes, I bring my dog to school every day!

Tess: What?! You do?! Well, I was thinking more like a frog from the pond for a class pet.

Miss Moss: That is not bad, but I have other pets that are less of a mess. They can be lots of fun.

Tess: (said with a big grin.) You do?

Miss Moss: These pets are not big.

Tess: An ant?

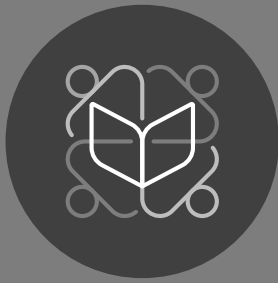
Miss Moss: No! This pet has gills and can swim.
They are...

(Brings out fish.)

Miss Moss and Tess: Fish!

Tess: Yes! Now we can have lots of class pets!
You're the best teacher, Miss Moss!

Miss Moss and Tess: The end.



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