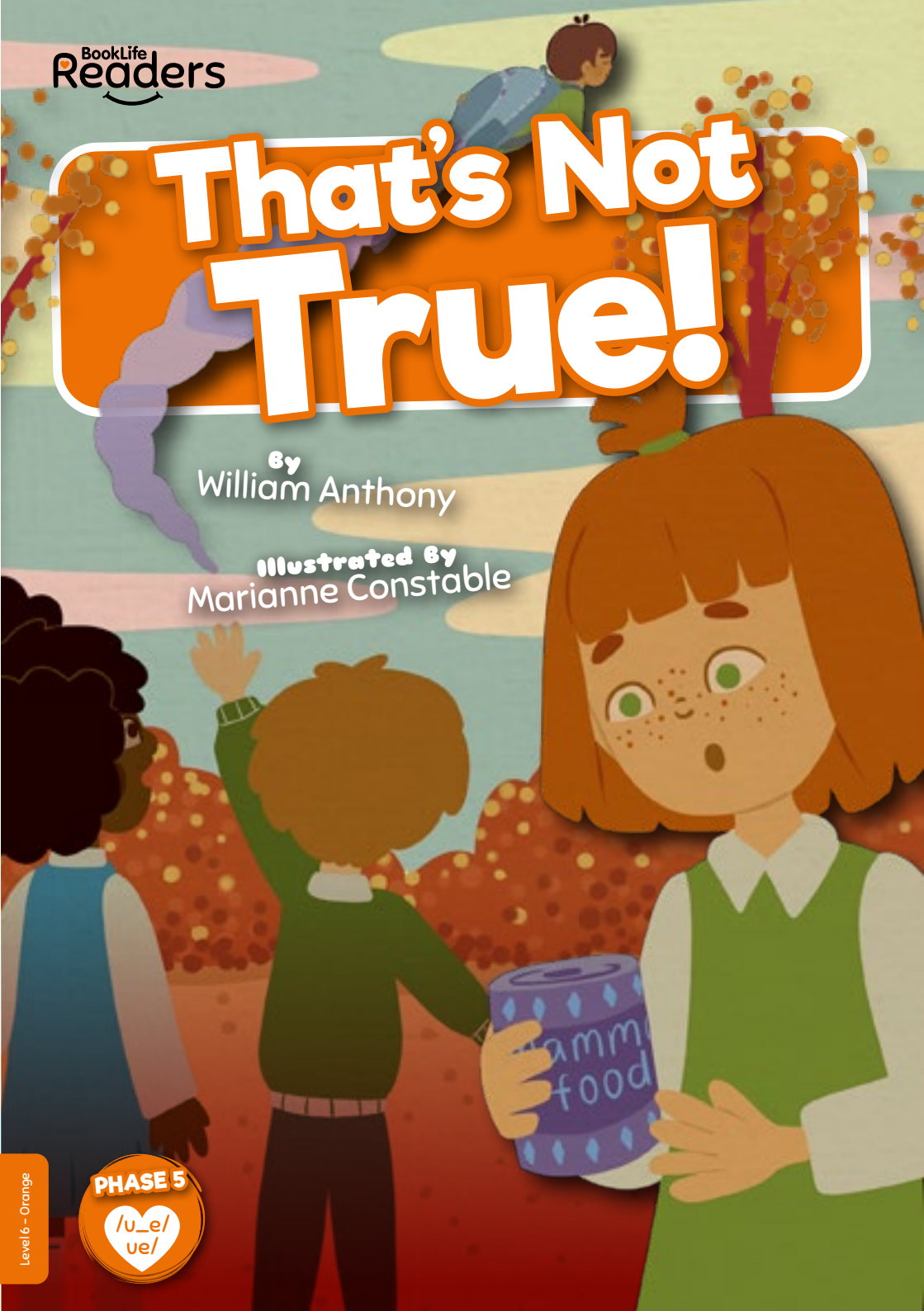


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Level 6 – Orange

# Helpful Hints for Reading at Home

The graphemes (written letters) and phonemes (units of sound) used throughout this series are aligned with Letters and Sounds. This offers a consistent approach to learning whether reading at home or in the classroom.

HERE IS A LIST OF GRAPHEMES FOR THIS PHASE OF LEARNING. AN EXAMPLE OF THE PRONUNCIATION CAN BE FOUND IN BRACKETS.

Phase 5			
ay (day)	ou (out)	ie (tie)	ea (eat)
oy (boy)	ir (girl)	ue (blue)	aw (saw)
wh (when)	ph (photo)	ew (new)	oe (toe)
au (Paul)	a_e (make)	e_e (these)	i_e (like)
o_e (home)	u_e (rule)		

HERE ARE SOME WORDS WHICH YOUR CHILD MAY FIND TRICKY.

Phase 5 Tricky Words			
oh	their	people	Mr
Mrs	looked	called	asked
could			

GPC focus: /u\_e/ue/

## TOP TIPS FOR HELPING YOUR CHILD TO READ:

- Allow children time to break down unfamiliar words into units of sound and then encourage children to string these sounds together to create the word.
- Encourage your child to point out any focus phonics when they are used.
- Read through the book more than once to grow confidence.
- Ask simple questions about the text to assess understanding.
- Encourage children to use illustrations as prompts.

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On went the socks and then the boots. Luke's feet scampered across the carpet. He was late.



On went the backpack. Well, this was no normal backpack. It was a jet pack with rockets. Luke's problem was that he forgot to fill them up when he was rushing.



It was 10 in the morning. Luke plodded into his class.

“What time do you call this?” fumed Mrs Duke.





“I messed up, Mrs Duke,” Luke said. “My jet pack ran out of petrol on the way. I had to make a crash landing!”





“Do not lie to me! That’s not true!” said Mrs Duke.

“It is true! My pal Bigfoot will tell you when he picks me up after school!” argued Luke.





The class started to whisper. Luke was used to this. He had such an odd life that no one ever trusted what he said.

“What was the real reason you were late?”  
Jude asked Luke at lunchtime.

“I was feeding my pet mammoth and lost  
track of time,” replied Luke.



“That’s not true! Mammoths are extinct!”  
whined Jude.



Luke was telling the truth. In fact, he had  
never said a lie.



The bell rang for the end of the day. Luke waited and waited but his pal never turned up.



Luke ran home and burst into his pal's room.  
"You are letting the heat out!" yelled Bigfoot.  
"You forgot to pick me up!" Luke yelled back.





Bigfoot looked at his clock. It had frozen still.  
“Err... Whoops,” he said.  
“People do not think you are real and this did not help!” Luke said.



"I'll be there on Tuesday. I mean it," said Bigfoot. Luke grabbed some food for his pet mammoth.



“There you go, Bess,” said Luke as he fed his mammoth.

Luke was feeling down. Bess honked her trunk at him.



Somehow, Luke understood that honk.

“Good point,” he said. “If no one thinks that what I say is true... I’m going to tell the best lie ever!”



If no one trusted him, it didn't matter if Luke said a whopper of a lie.

The next day, Luke came into class with a swagger.





At lunch, Luke made his speech.  
“I am here to tell you all something that  
will make your brains explode!” he said.



"I can vanish into thin air!" he boasted.  
The children all started to whisper.  
"Is that true?" asked one kid.  
"Are you sure?" asked another.



"I can't wait to see it!" yelled Jude. Luke's jaw dropped.

"NOW they believe me?" he said to himself.



Luke panicked.

“Ummm... I cannot perform it right now,  
but I will do it after school,” he said.



Luke was stuck. "I cannot vanish," he whispered to himself. Luke strapped on his jet pack and flew off, but his mammoth food fell out.



Jude picked up the mammoth food. Did Luke have a mammoth after all? His backpack left a lot of smoke too – maybe Luke did have a jet pack?





Bigfoot was chilling in his igloo when Luke came in. He needed Bigfoot's help, and fast.





That night, Luke's show began. He and Bigfoot had a plan.

"In 3... 2... 1..." he began. "Oh, look back there!"



As the kids turned to see, Luke tried to run away. But he tripped up and fell over! The children gathered near Luke.



"I cannot vanish," said Luke.

"What?" Jude blurted. "You lied? We just started to trust you!"



"You never trust me, so I did not think one lie was going to matter," said Luke. "I'm such a nitwit."

"That's not true," joked Jude, with a wink and a hug.



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1. Why was Luke late for class?
2. What was Luke's pal called? Have you heard that name before?
3. What was Luke's pet mammoth called?
  - (a) Ness
  - (b) Bess
  - (c) Jess
4. How do you think Luke felt when no one trusted anything he said?
5. Was Luke right to lie? Why?

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No one ever believed a word he said,  
until he told his first-ever lie...

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