

# Queen Gail Waits and Wait!



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PHASE 3

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Level 3 – Yellow

# 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 PHONEMES FOR THIS PHASE OF LEARNING. AN EXAMPLE OF THE PRONUNCIATION CAN BE FOUND IN BRACKETS.

Phase 3			
j (jug)	v (van)	w (wet)	x (fox)
y (yellow)	z (zoo)	zz (buzz)	qu (quick)
ch (chip)	sh (shop)	th (thin/then)	ng (ring)
ai (rain)	ee (feet)	igh (night)	oa (boat)
oo (boot/look)	ar (farm)	or (for)	ur (hurt)
ow (cow)	oi (coin)	ear (dear)	air (fair)
ure (sure)	er (corner)		

HERE ARE SOME WORDS WHICH YOUR CHILD MAY FIND TRICKY.

Phase 3 Tricky Words			
he	you	she	they
we	all	me	are
be	my	was	her

GPC focus: /ai/ee/

## 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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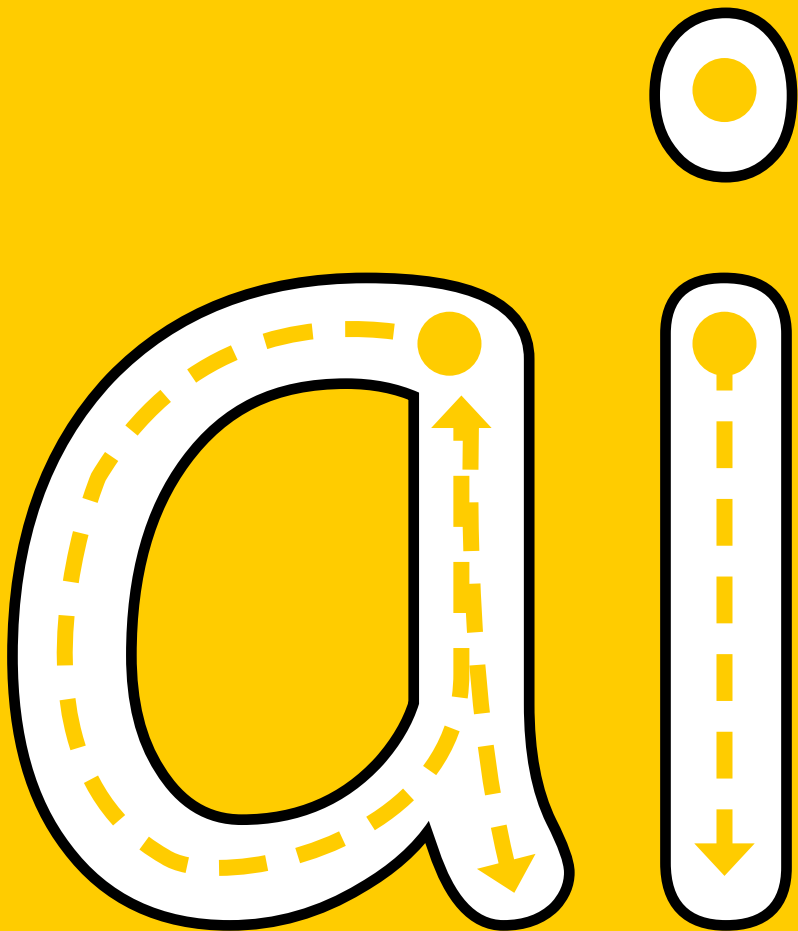
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Can you say this sound and  
draw it with your finger?





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Queen Gail is in a keep. She waits.





The Sun is up. She waits and weeps.





The Sun sets. She wails then has  
a nap.



She can see a man!





It is King Zack. "Can you see me?"  
yells Queen Gail.



"I see you!" Zack yells back.  
Queen Gail waits.





"I can not get to you!" he wails.  
"Yes you can, Zack!"



It is deep. Zack can not feel his feet.





Queen Gail waits. It rains. "I will fail," Zack wails.



"Can you get this sheet?"  
Zack waits. Queen Gail tugs.





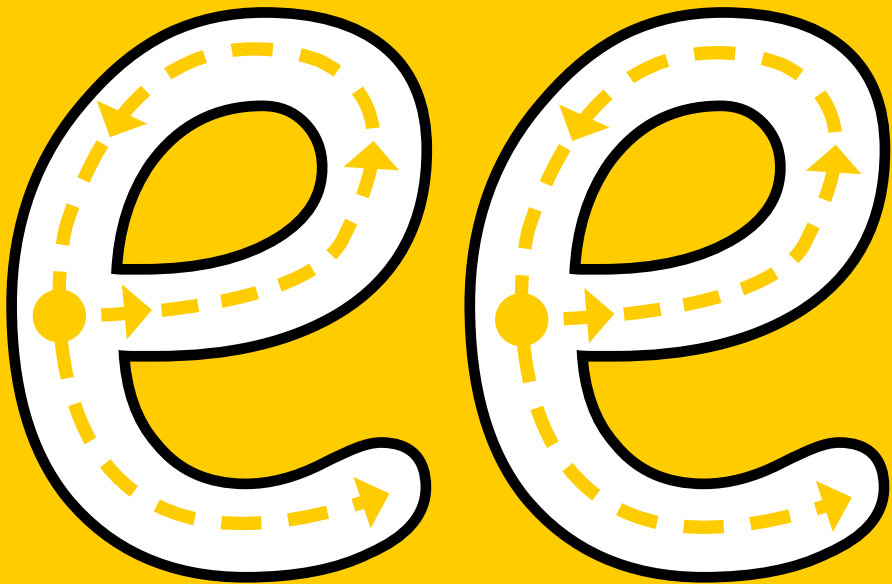
King Zack is up. "I did not fail!"  
he yells.



"I got you up! We are pals!"



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draw it with your finger?





# Wait!

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Ben and Sam are with Mum.  
She needs to rush.



“Wait!” yells Sam. “I need my sheep!”





Mum and Ben wait. Sam wails.  
The tail is off.



Mum pats Sam's cheek. "I can fix this."





Mum tells Sam and Ben she needs to go.



"Wait!" yells Ben. He runs up to get his ship.



Ben fell. He wails in pain.





The cut is deep. But Mum can fix it.



They get up to go. But Mum needs  
a wee!



“We can go!” she yells. But the rain is too much.





Mum gets back in. "We will not go this week."



Ben, Sam and Mum need a nap.



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### AUTHOR INSIGHT: **GEORGIE TENNANT**

Georgie Tennant is a freelance writer who has written multiple stories for BookLife Publishing. She always knew she would be a writer as she used to present her school teachers with lengthy stories and poems for them to enjoy! Her two sons provide plenty of entertaining material for her writing, which usually appears on her blog or in the local newspaper as the 'Thought for the Week'. When she isn't writing she is working as a part-time secondary school English teacher, where she has the joy of inspiring slightly bigger children with the joy of reading good stories. She hopes to write good stories for them one day too.

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## Queen Gail Waits

Queen Gail is trapped in a tower. Will someone come to rescue her?

### Wait!

Mum is in a rush, but wait! Sam and Ben are not ready to go yet...

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