

The Fly on the Wall



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PHASE 5

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Level 5 – Green

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 NEW PHONEMES 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)		

Phase 5 Alternative Pronunciations of Graphemes			
a (hat, what)	e (bed, she)	i (fin, find)	o (hot, so, other)
u (but, unit)	c (cat, cent)	g (got, giant)	ow (cow, blow)
ie (tied, field)	ea (eat, bread)	er (farmer, herb)	ch (chin, school, chef)
y (yes, by, very)	ou (out, shoulder, could, you)		

HERE ARE SOME WORDS WHICH YOUR CHILD MAY FIND TRICKY.

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

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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“We will get them, James,” said Officer Willis. James ran Velvet Cheese. It was a small pizza shop in Junktown.



Last night, someone had taken all of the pizzas.

"Thank you for your help, Officer Willis. The Junktown Pizza-Fest is just two days away!" said James.



The Pizza-Fest was a clash of the best pizzas in Junktown.



Velvet Cheese and Cheesus Crust were the best. Kids and adults would come from far away to eat the pizzas.



The cops needed to act fast to help James and Velvet Cheese get to the Pizza-Fest.



Officer Willis had a plan. He planted a bug at Velvet Cheese. But this was not a normal bug...



"I'm Officer Vic. How can I help?" the small fly said as she held up her card.
"James was robbed," said Officer Willis.



"But the Pizza-Fest is in just two days!
I'm on it!" Vic yelled. Off she buzzed.



“What person would want James out of the Pizza-Fest?” Vic had a think and gasped, “Harper!”



Harper ran Cheesus Crust. It all added up! If James had no pizzas, she would win.



Vic buzzed off to Cheesus Crust. She landed on the wall. Harper was out.



She spotted a stack of pizzas. Were they from James' shop? She buzzed over to look.



“Oh no! Fly! Get off my pizzas!” Harper was back. She grabbed a box and tried to swat Vic.



Harper just missed. Vic buzzed off and went back to see Officer Willis.



Willis had something red on his shirt.
"It's just jam," he said. "Have you got
the pizzas yet?"



"No, but I have a suspect. I went to see Harper and she tried to swat me!" said Vic.



Vic tried to buzz off, but got her leg stuck in a cobweb on the wall.
"At last, it's just me," said Willis.



He jumped up and pulled out a box.
“Wait a second...” Vic muttered. Willis
took a big chomp of cheese.



"I'll rob Harper's pizzas next and then I'll win the Pizza-Fest!" he said to himself. Vic pulled free and called for backup.



"Officer Willis! You are under arrest!"
she yelled.

"Am I?" asked Willis. He put a glass on Vic.



Vic jolted from left to right. She was stuck.

“STOP RIGHT THERE!”

Vic’s backup burst into the room!



Officer Tom let Vic out of the glass. She sat on his hand.

"Good job, Officer Vic," said Tom.



The cops took Willis and put him in the prison van. Vic went to tell James.



James was sat with Harper. "I'm glad you got Willis, but I still have no pizzas," he told Vic.



“Just for this Pizza-Fest, maybe we can cook together?” asked Harper. “We can call our pizza stall the Velvet Crust!”



James and Harper cooked the best pizzas ever.

"This pizza is for you, Vic. I'll never swat you again!" said Harper. Vic winked.



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1. What was the name of the two pizza shops which were always in the final of Pizza-Fest?
2. What did Harper try to do to Vic?
 - (a) Make her fly out of the window
 - (b) Trap her under a glass
 - (c) Swat her away
3. Did you think it was jam on Willis' shirt? What else did you think it could have been?
4. What did Willis do to Vic to stop her arresting him?
5. Do you think Harper was right to offer to work together with James? What would you have done if you were Harper?

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The pizzas are gone and the cops are on the case. The police of Junktown have a clever way of catching criminals – they place a bug at the scene. But, this is no ordinary bug...

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