

# The Tub of Bugs and A Big Kid

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PHASE 2



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Level 1 – Pink

BookLife  
Readers

# 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 2			
s (sat)	a (cat)	t (tap)	p (tap)
i (pin)	n (net)	m (man)	d (dog)
g (go)	o (sock)	c (cat)	k (kin)
ck (sack)	e (elf)	u (up)	r (rabbit)
h (hut)	b (ball)	f (fish)	ff (off)
l (lip)	ll (ball)	ss (hiss)	

HERE ARE SOME WORDS WHICH YOUR CHILD MAY FIND TRICKY.

Phase 2 Tricky Words			
the	to	I	no
go	into		

## 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 sound 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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/I//I/

This book focuses on the phonemes /I/ and /I// and is a pink level 1 book band.

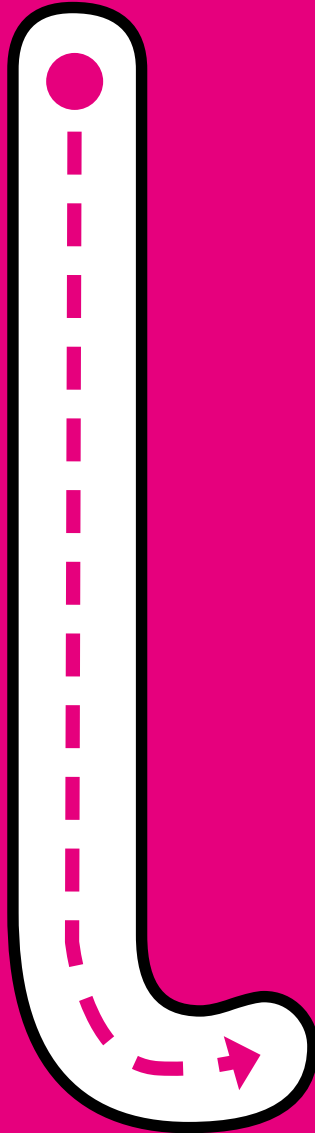
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Can you say this sound and  
draw it with your finger?



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A tub. A big tub!



The lid is up.



# Bugs in the tub!



Run, Mum, run.



Mum in a huff!



A tub of big bugs.



A lot of legs.



A red bug.



A fat bug.



It has no legs.



A bug hops off.



Run, bugs, run!



Can you make it through the maze to collect the letter l? How many objects beginning with l can you collect along the way?



# A Big Kid

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I am a kid.



A big kid.



I get the dolls.



I am a big kid!



I get the lids.



I am a big kid!



I am big!



I am a big kid.



It is Tam.



I am a big kid!



Tam is mad.



Tam is a big kid.



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## An Introduction to BookLife Readers...

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Each book has been created to provide the best possible reading and learning experience. Our aim is to share our love of books with children, providing both emerging readers and prolific page-turners with beautiful books that are guaranteed to provoke interest and learning, regardless of ability.

**BOOK BAND GRADED** using the Institute of Education's approach to levelling.

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**EXERCISES AND QUESTIONS** to offer reinforcement and to ascertain comprehension.

**BEAUTIFULLY ILLUSTRATED** to inspire and provoke engagement, providing a variety of styles for the reader to enjoy whilst reading through the series.

### AUTHOR INSIGHT: GEMMA MCMULLEN

Gemma McMullen is one of BookLife Publishing's most multi-faceted and talented individuals. Born in Newport, Gwent, she studied at the University of Northampton, where she graduated with a BA (Hons) in English and Drama. She then attended the University of Wales where she obtained her PGCE Primary qualification, and has been teaching ever since. Her experience as a teacher enables her to find exactly what makes children focus and learn, and allows her to write books that amuse and fascinate their readers.

### AUTHOR INSIGHT: ROD BARKMAN

Rod Barkman is one of BookLife Publishing's most integral members. Known to other staff as Reliant Rod, he is always trying to bring his work to a new level. Rod has written multiple books for BookLife Publishing, of which he is extremely proud. Rod is a keen traveller, voracious reader and animal lover.

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/I//I/

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## The Tub of Bugs

Which bugs are in the tub and what will Mum think of them?

## A Big Kid

This kid is big and he knows it.  
So do the other kids.

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