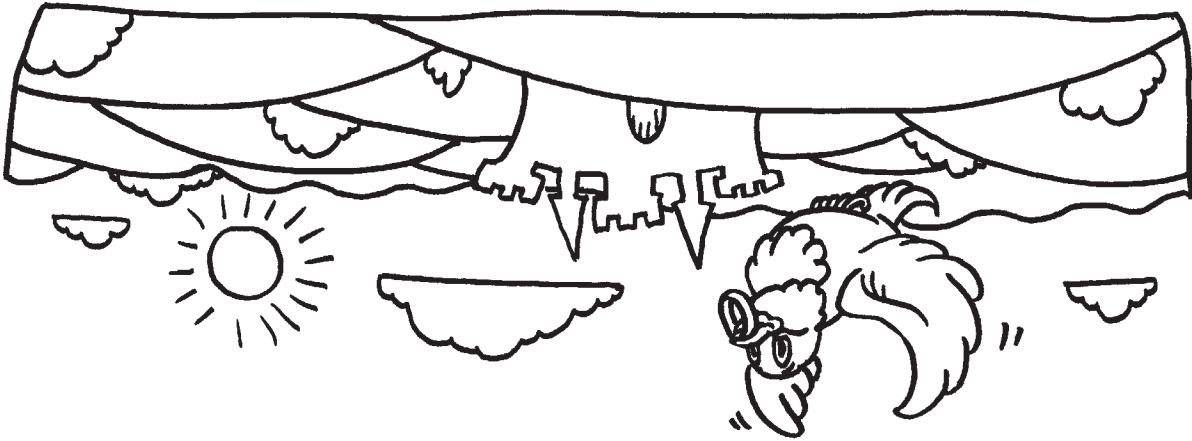


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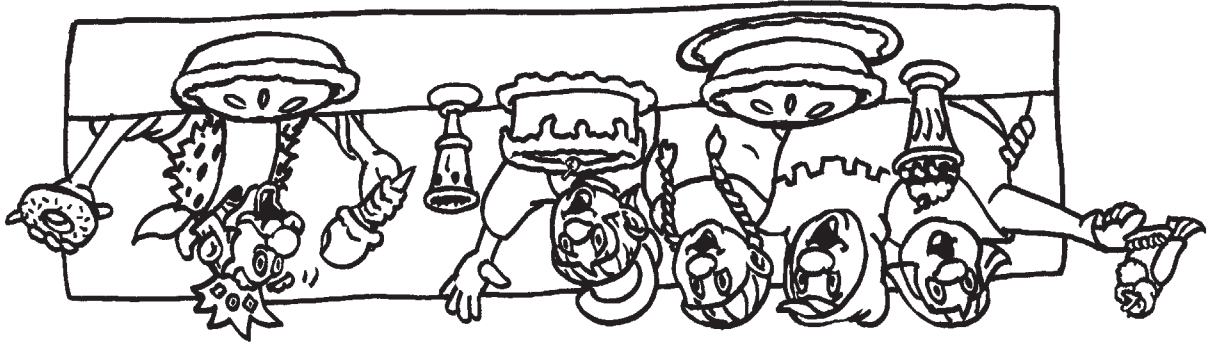
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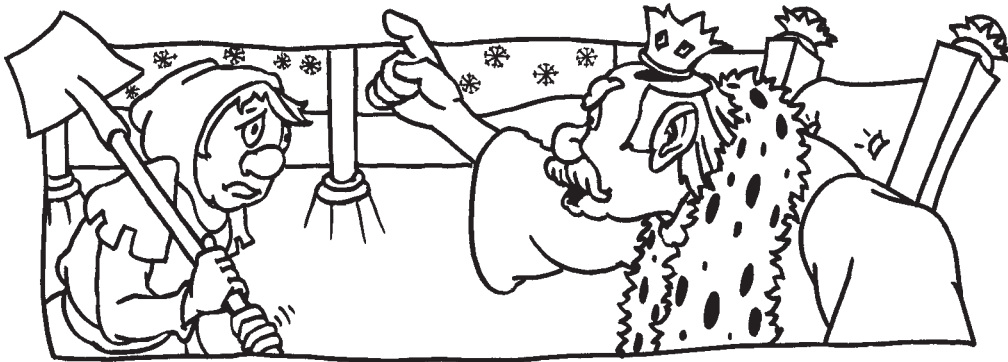
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The king was happy.  
 He sang a happy song.  
 "Bring me good things to eat," he said.  
 "Let's all sing," said the king.  
 They sang after song  
 with the happy king.

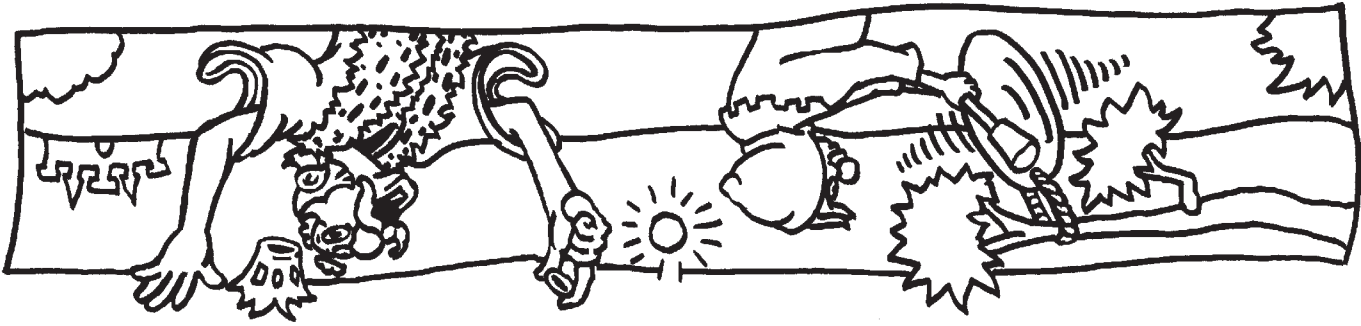


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The king sang out.  
 "I have my ring back," he said.  
 "Bang the gong and tell  
 all the kingdom."



### ELEMENTS USED IN THIS BOOK

**New phonic element** *ng digraph*

**Words with new phonic element** *bang, bring, ding, dong, flung, gang, gong, king, long, ring, sang, sing, song, spring*

**Reviewed phonic elements** *long vowel VCe patterns; consonant digraphs sh, ck*

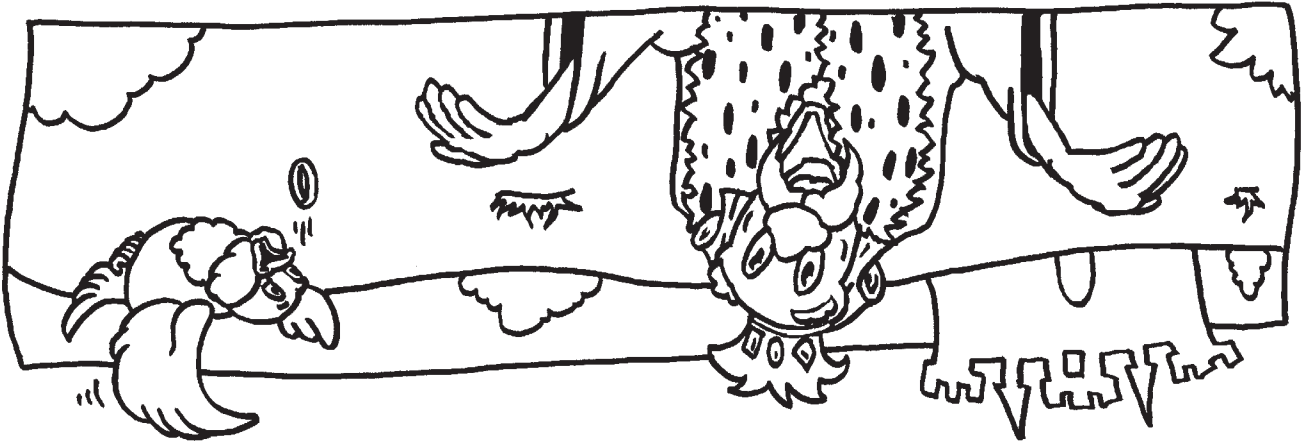
**Story words** *find, kingdom, linger, shining, single, thing*

**Reviewed story word** *happy*

**New high-frequency word** *before*

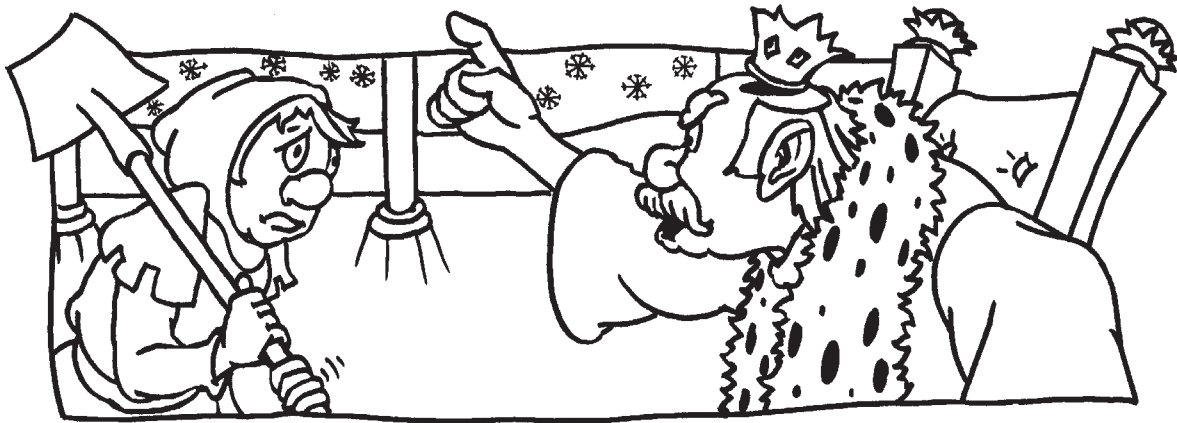
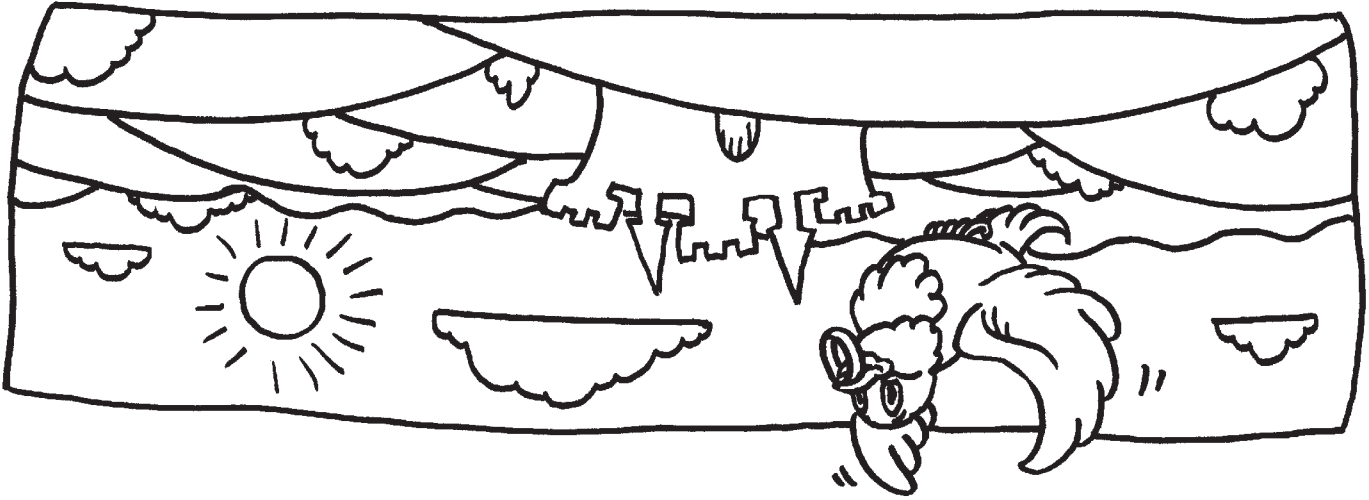
**Special considerations** *inflectional endings -ed, -ing, -er; possessive 's; plural ending -s; two-syllable decodable words*

The robin went to see the king.  
It sang out, "I have your ring."  
Robin flung the ring.  
It landed next to the king.



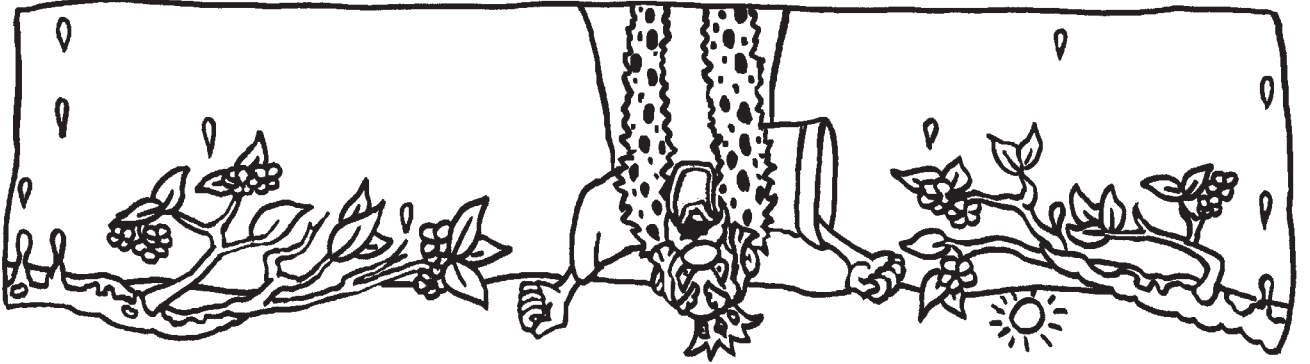
The king of Ding Dong  
looked at his hand.  
"Help!" he said.  
"I have lost my ring!  
I must have dropped it in the mud."

A robin looked down.  
It saw a shape shining in a pile of mud.  
It was the king's ring.  
The robin picked up the ring.



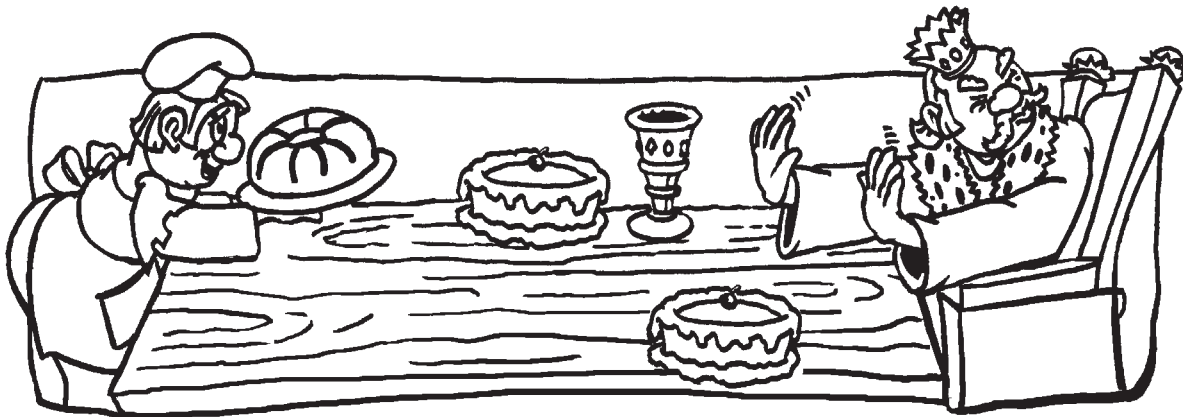
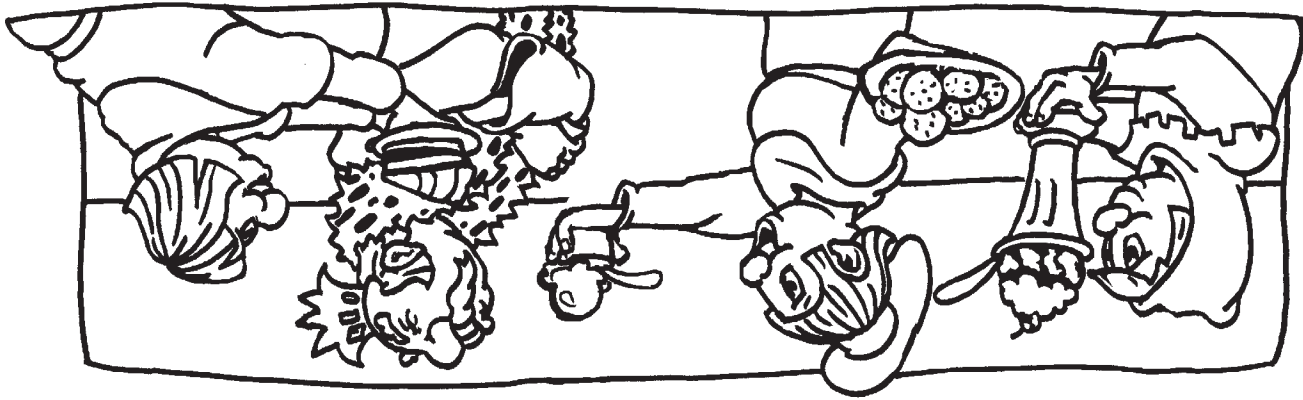
All the king's men came to Ding Dong  
to look for the ring.  
"Do not linger," said the king.  
"Go dig up all the mud.  
You must find my ring!"

Before long it was spring.  
The ring was still missing.  
The king was still not happy.



The king hired a gang of men  
to look for his ring.  
“Dig up all the mud in the kingdom.  
You must find my ring!” said the king.

All the people in the kingdom  
wanted the king to be happy.  
They baked him all the things he liked.  
But bringing these things did not make  
the king happy.



The king was sad.  
He could not eat a single bite of cake.  
“Bring me my ring.  
It is the only thing that will make me  
sing a happy song,” he said.