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Thad and Thelma

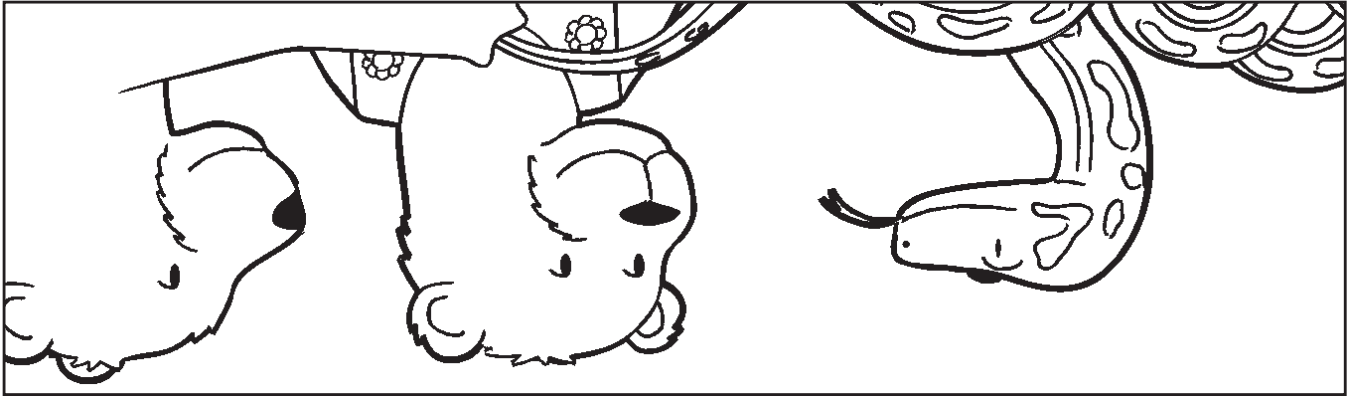
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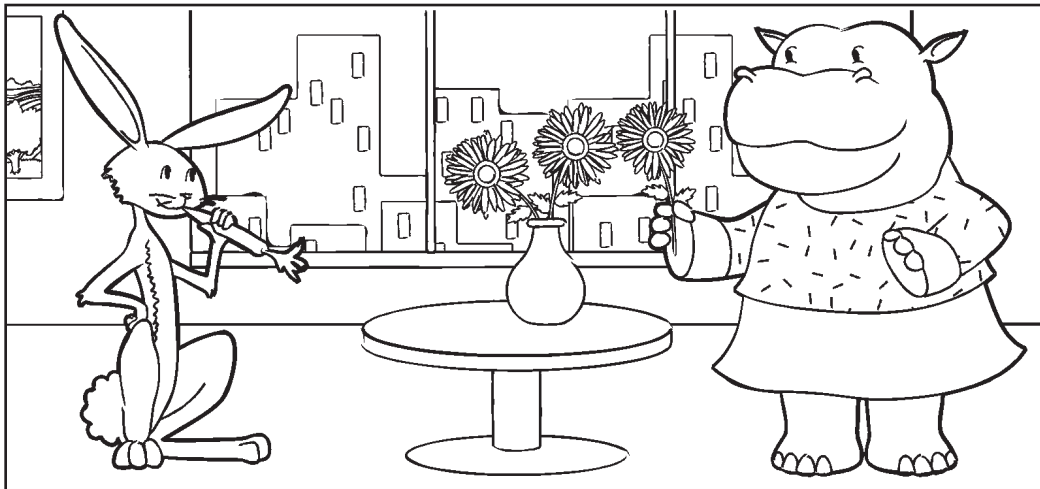


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Theo and Beth thanked Seth.
"I don't think Thad and Thelma
will come back," Seth said.
"They both do not like snakes."

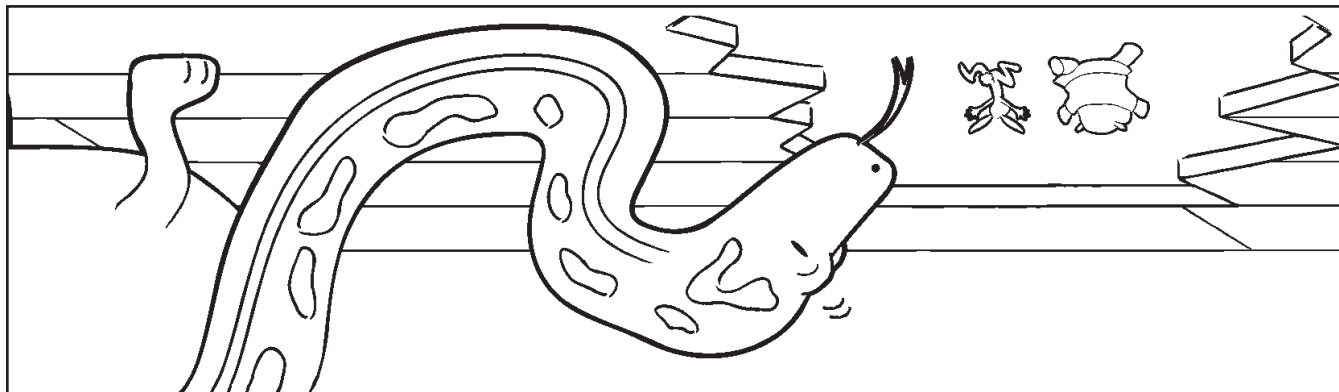


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Thelma was shocked to see
 the thick snake in her bathtub.
 Thad was shocked, too.
 Thad and Thelma both ran away.



ELEMENTS USED IN THIS BOOK

New phonic element *th digraph*

Words with new phonic element *bath, Beth, Seth, Thad, thank, that, thick, thing, think, thump*

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

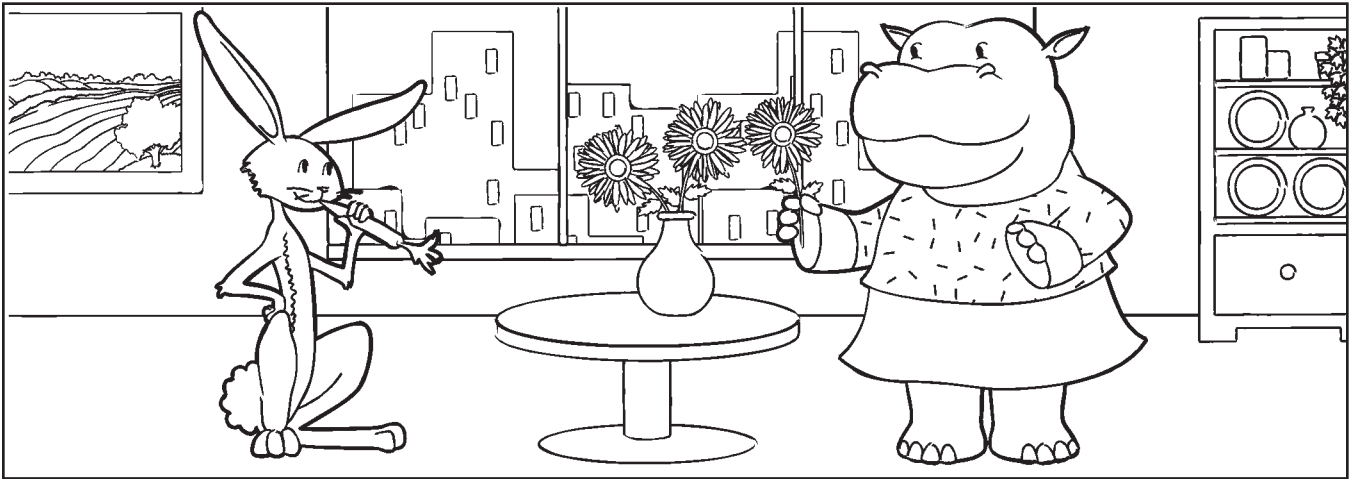
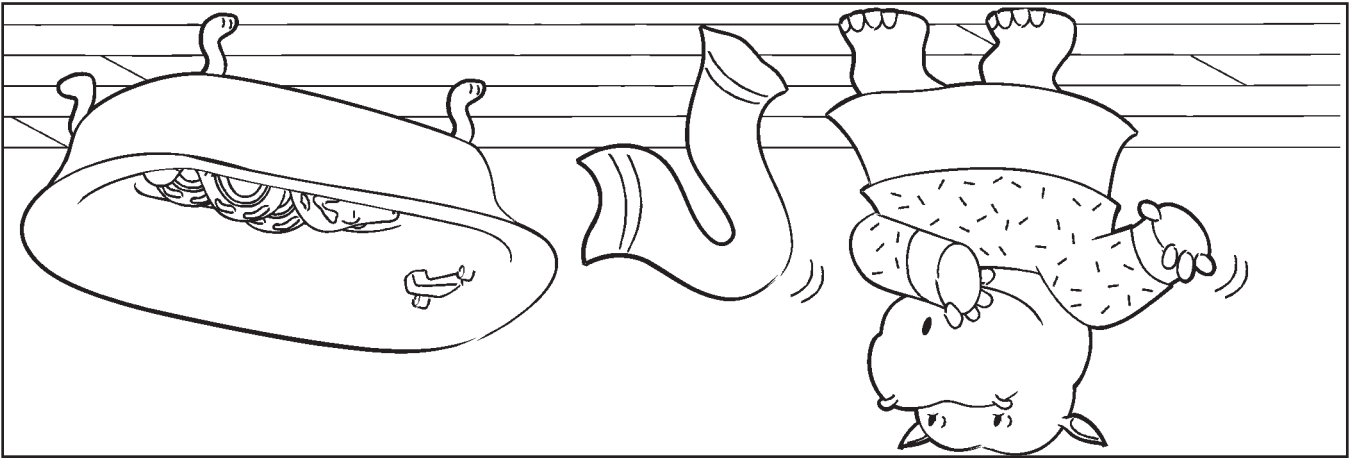
Story words *floor, hippo, most, slither, thankful, Thelma, Theo*

Reviewed story word *thought*

New high-frequency words *all, ask, away, both, them, three, under*

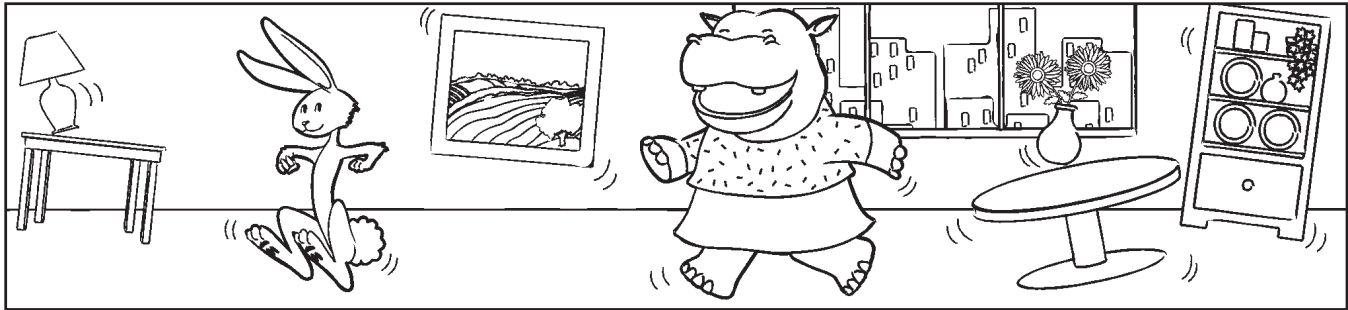
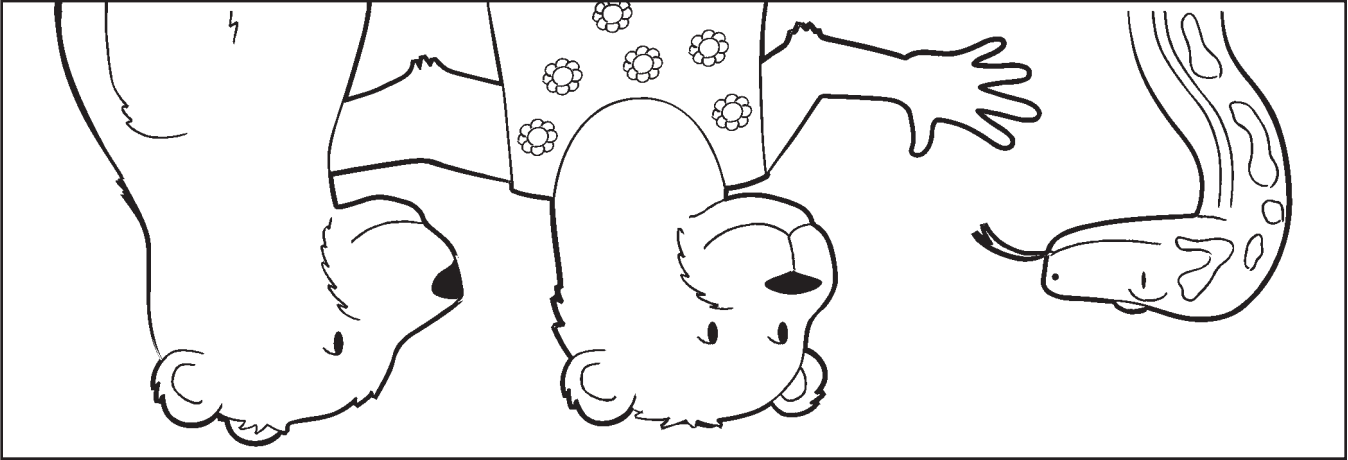
Special considerations *inflectional endings -ed, -ing; plural ending -s; possessive 's; two-syllable decodable words*

Seth slithered into
Thad and Thelma's home.
He slithered into the bathtub to hide.
Thelma came to take a bath.



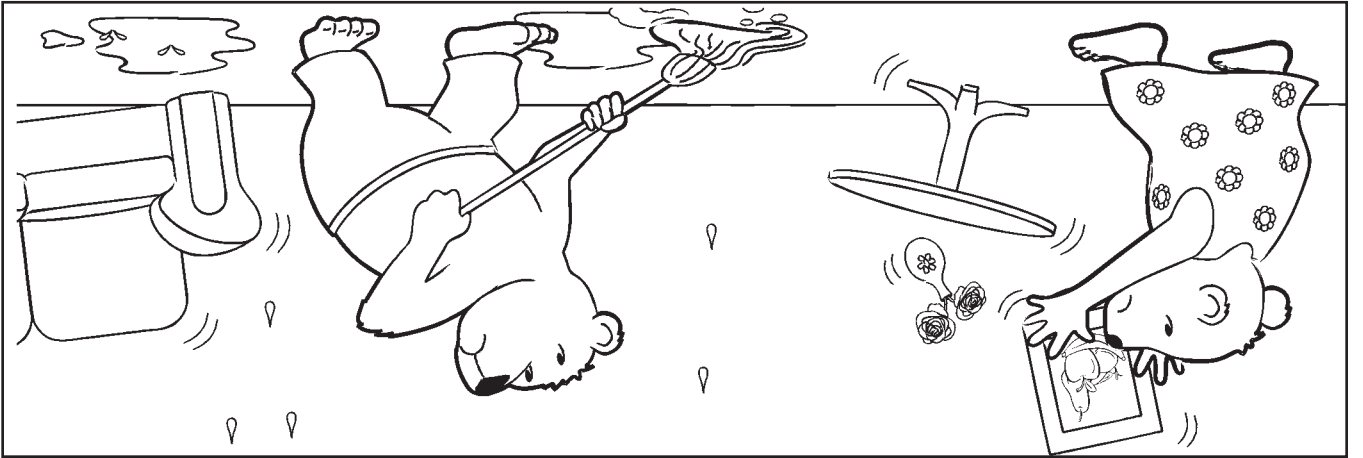
Thad was a thin rabbit.
He lived with Thelma.
Thelma was a thick hippo.

One day Seth the thick snake said
 he would help Theo and Beth.
 He would go to Thad and Thelma's home
 and chase them away.



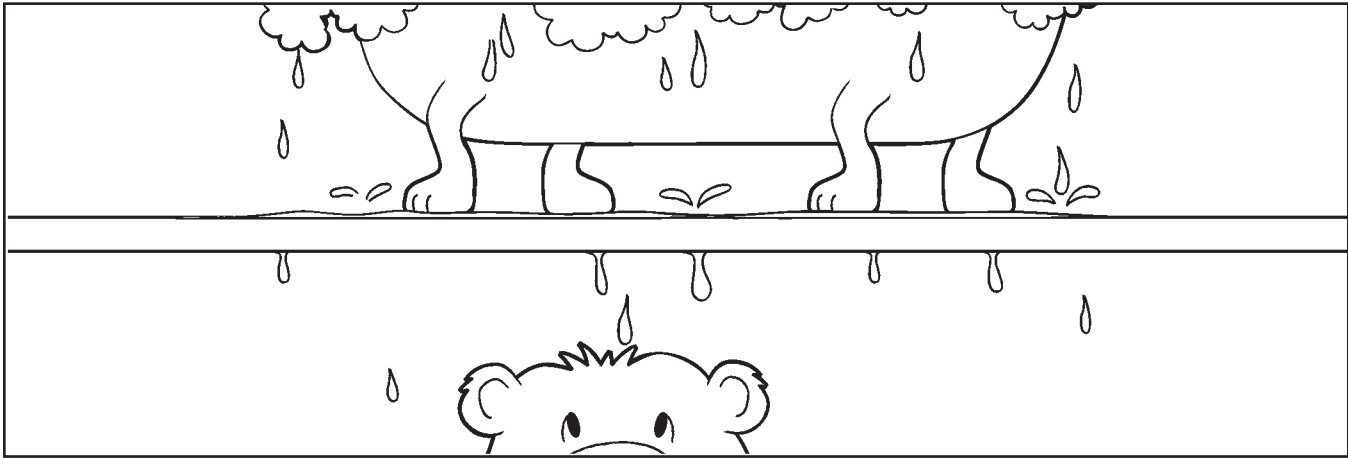
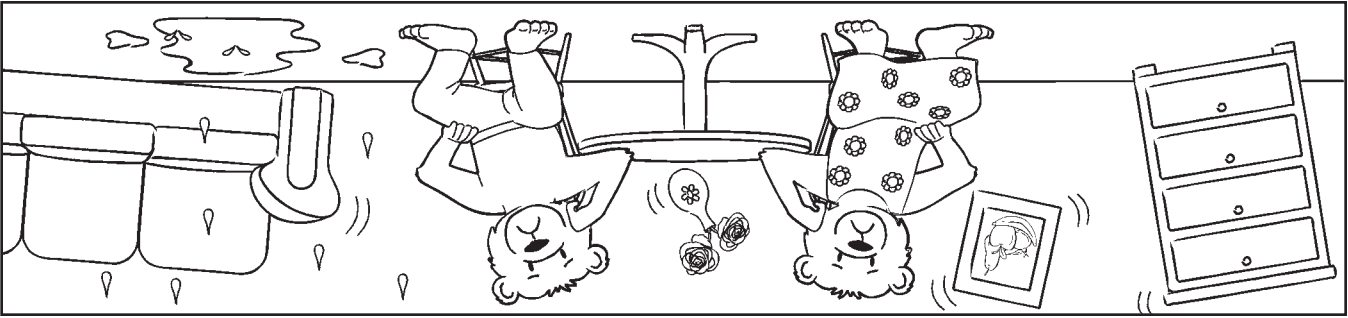
Every day Thad would hop
 across the floor—thump, thump, thump.
 Every day Thelma would step
 across the floor—thump, thump, thump.
 They made a thundering racket all day long.

The thumping and the suds
 made Theo and Beth mad.
 They did not want to have
 Thad and Thelma in the home over them.



The thing that Thelma liked to do most
 was take a bath.
 She was thankful that she had a big bathtub.
 She would take three baths a day.

Theo and Beth lived in the home
 under Thad and Thelma.
 With all the thumping, they thought
 the home would crash down.
 The drip, drip of the suds was bad, too.



Suds would spill over the top of the bathtub.
 They would drip down into the home
 under Thad and Thelma's home.