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ELEMENTS USED IN THIS BOOK

New phonic elements final blends: -ft, -ld, -lp, -lt, -mp

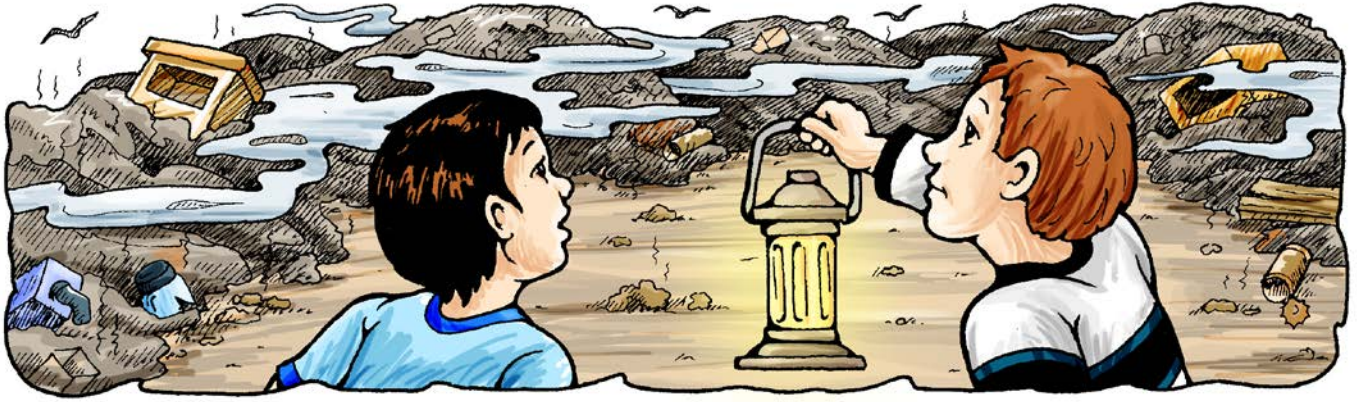
Words with new phonic element dump, felt, held, help, jump, lift, limp, lump, pump, ramp, stomp, stump

Reviewed phonic elements initial and final blends:
short vowels; consonants

Story words bike, stick, stinky

New high-frequency words could, don't, so

Special considerations contractions: double consonants;
inflectional endings -ed, -er, -ing, s;
possessive 's; plural ending -s



Brent and Kent went to the dump.
The dump was out west.
They were looking for stuff to make a bike ramp.

“This dump stinks,” said Brent.
“We must make this our last task.”
“I cannot last in a stinky dump if
I do not have a gas mask,” said Kent.





They stomped in the stinky dump
past lots of stuff like a busted pump
and rusted cans.

“See this big stick?” said Kent.
“It is the best stick for a bike ramp.”
“That stick is bent,” said Brent.
“It is not the best.”



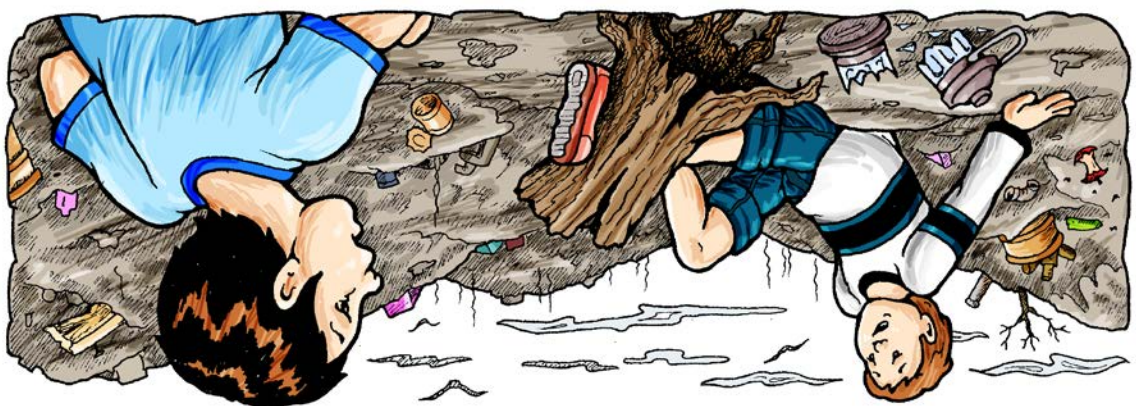


“See this hunk of junk,” said Brent.

“I don’t think it will make a ramp,” said Kent.

Brent said, “We must get a ramp fast.
We don’t have much time left.”

Kent and Brent went fast.
“Help!” yelled Brent.
“I tripped on a stump and my leg is stuck.”
Kent lifted the stump
so Brent could get out.





Kent felt Brent's leg.

It had a lump with a long cut.

It looked bent.

"We have to get back home for help," said Kent.

"I can limp home," said Brent.

Brent jumped on his left leg.
He could not go fast.
He could not trust his bad leg.





The sun had set. It was dusk.
Kent had to lift Brent.
At last, they got home.
They did not get stuff for a bike ramp.

Brent busted his leg.
He had to get a cast.
His dad made a grand ramp.
But the ramp was not for bikes.
The ramp was for Brent.

