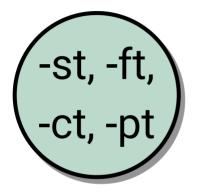


## The Swift Raft Play

# Grow Your Phonics Skills!

Look for the ending blends



Try these decodable words! See page 15 for more.

cast

left

#### **New Vocabulary**

aloft: up in the air

jest: to joke

watch: to look at

### Let's Read!

Scan the QR code to watch a fun 2-minute video about the book.





### The Swift Raft Play



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Taft and August are best pals.
They have a blast acting in plays. They write plays too.
They have a pact to be the best. They act and write hour after hour.



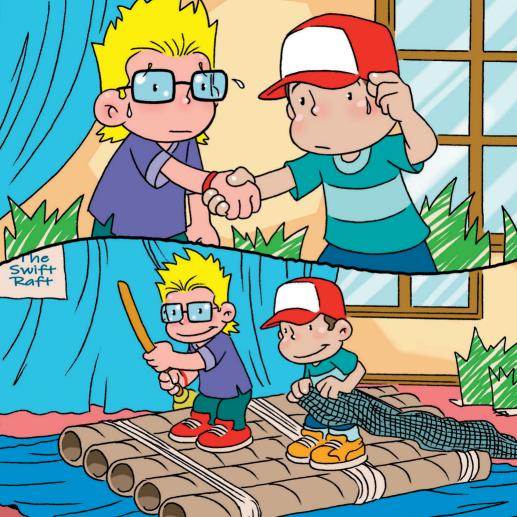
In the play, The Swift Raft, they have to get past mist and gusts of wind to find a lost nest. They cannot fall off the raft. They must not rest.



Taft and August have not slept.
They crept past tufts of grass.
They kept looking for the lost nest.



Our fast pals make a pact. No rest! They will be swift and fast. They will cast a big net for the nest.



A gust of wind lifts the raft. It shifts the raft to the left. Oh no! Taft falls off. August reacts fast! He tosses a vest to Taft.



Yes! Taft is aloft and back on the raft. They must go on! They must go west to find the nest.



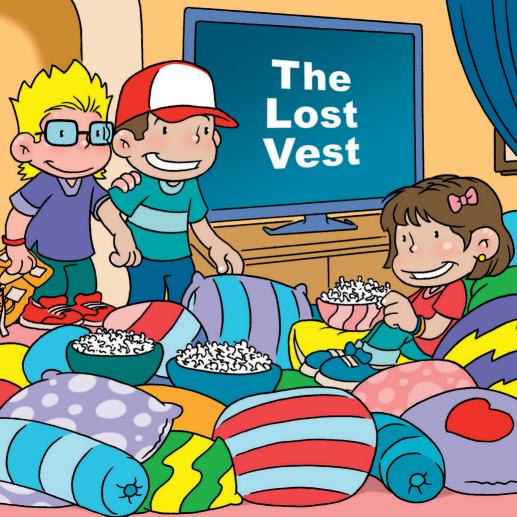
Can it be? Is that the nest? It is vast!

"Is this a test?" asks Taft.

"Is this a jest?" asks August.

"No, I made a nest so we can watch and play."

Yay!





#### **Phonics Fun**

Write 2 sentences using words from the word list in the book.



#### Comprehension

Would you tell a friend to read this book? Why?



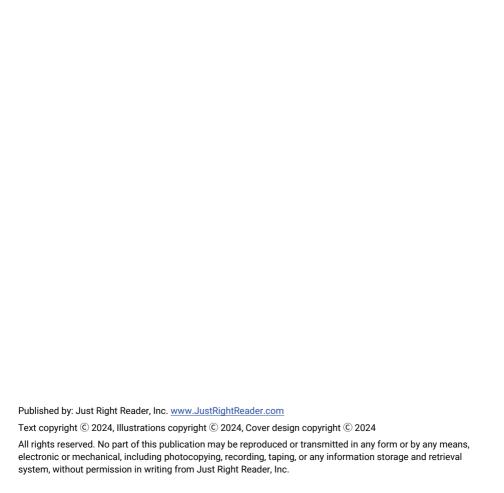
#### High Frequency Words

hour our off write



#### **Decodable Words**

| act    | must  |
|--------|-------|
| aloft  | nest  |
| August | pact  |
| best   | past  |
| blast  | raft  |
| cast   | rest  |
| crept  | shift |
| fast   | slept |
| gust   | swift |
| jest   | Taft  |
| kept   | test  |
| left   | tuft  |
| lift   | vast  |
| lost   | vest  |
| mist   | west  |



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Decodable Set: 22 Skill: Ending Blends

-st, -ft, -ct, -pt

