



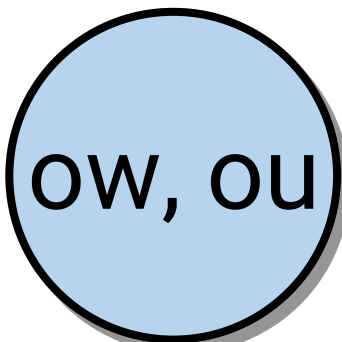
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# The Loud Growl

# Grow Your Phonics Skills!

Look for the diphthongs



OW, OU

Try these decodable words!

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count

shower

## New Vocabulary

**sleepover:** to stay through the night at the home of a friend or relative

**trampoline:** used for jumping and tumbling

## Let's Read!

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



# The Loud Growl



Matt was having a sleepover at his house with his pals Jaylen, Pedro, and Jesse.

They were a rowdy crowd. They had bounced on Matt's trampoline and lost count of the times going round and round, up and down.

They were proud of their flips.

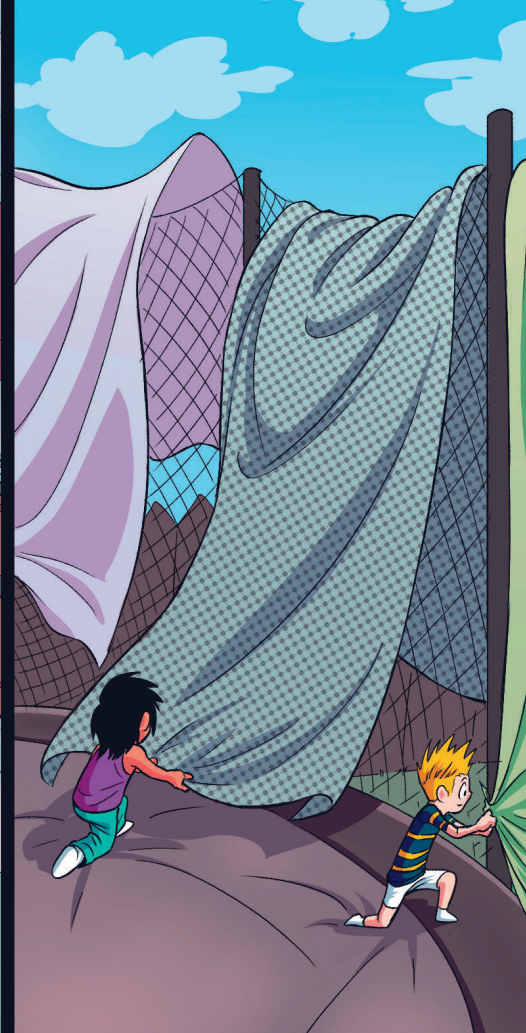
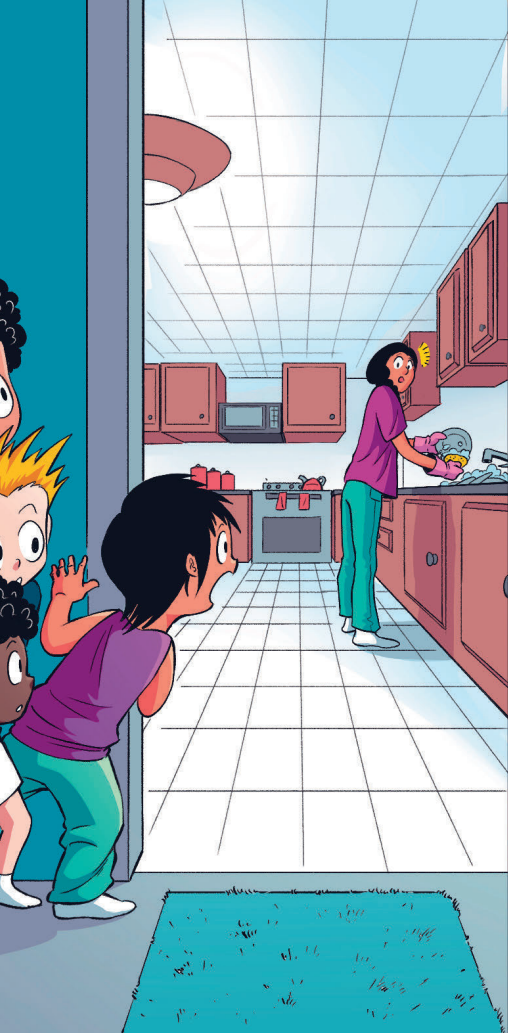




Matt shouted, "Now, let's make the trampoline into a fort. Then we can sleep outside tonight!"

Matt asked his mom if they could make a fort and not sleep down on the ground.

They found blankets, brown sheets, and a mound of towels to use.



The clouds, the moon, and the stars showered the sky. The sound of cows, an owl, and Scowl's meow was close. Jesse began to cower.

"That's a loud sound, I think it was a wolf howl."

Matt frowned.

"It sounded like a meow to me."

Jaylen and Jesse howled and yowled.

"Stop," spouted Jesse, laughing.





"Let's get a flashlight to drown out the dark," said Matt.

The boys were asleep when the flashlight ran out of power.

All of a sudden, there was a pounce and a loud growl. A brown shape bounded across the trampoline.

The boys crowded together. Their hearts were pounding.

"Wow! What was that?" Jaylen scowled.



A loud purr and meow let them know Scowl had crashed the outing. Matt kissed her snout.

How, at that late hour, were the boys still awake?





Now the boys were hungry. They crowded into Matt's room with snacks. More rowdy kidding around. One by one, they found themselves asleep.



Matt's mom woke the boys, handed them towels, and asked them to shower before they eat. No time to sit down on the couch. They had another outing, the Powers Lake playground.





## Phonics Fun

- Use flash cards or the list from the book.
- How fast can you read the words?
- Time yourself reading the words.
- Try to beat your time.



## Comprehension

How would you summarize this book?



## Decodable Words

around	crowd	how	owl	shout
bounce	down	howl	playground	shower
bound	drown	loud	pounce	snout
brown	found	meow	pound	sound
cloud	frown	mound	power	spout
couch	ground	now	proud	towel
count	growl	out	round	wow
cow	hour	outing	rowdy	yowl
cower	house	outside	scowl	

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