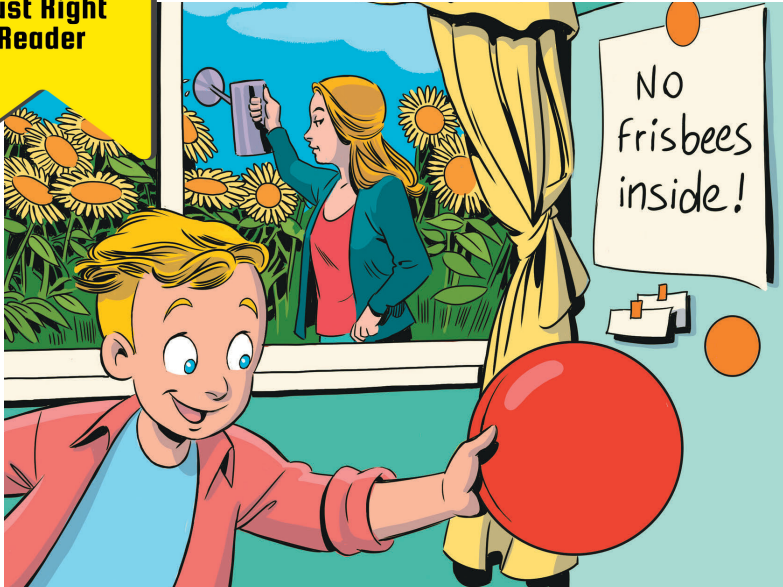




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# Grow Your Phonics Skills!

Look for the  
suffixes and silent letters

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kn, gn, wr,  
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Try these decodable words!

See [page 15](#) for more.

gnome

knack

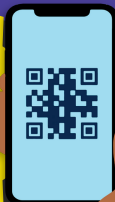
## New Vocabulary

**boredom:** a feeling like  
you have nothing to do

**frisbee:** a small, round  
plastic disc that you  
throw in the air

## Let's Read!

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

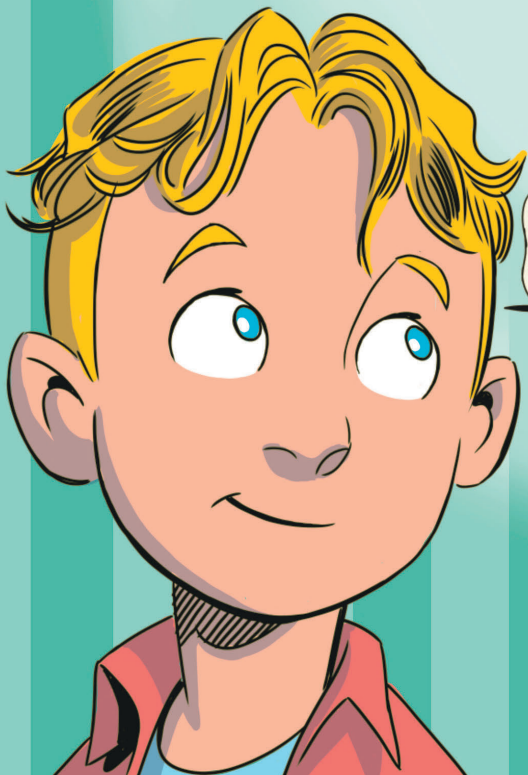


# I Should've Known Better



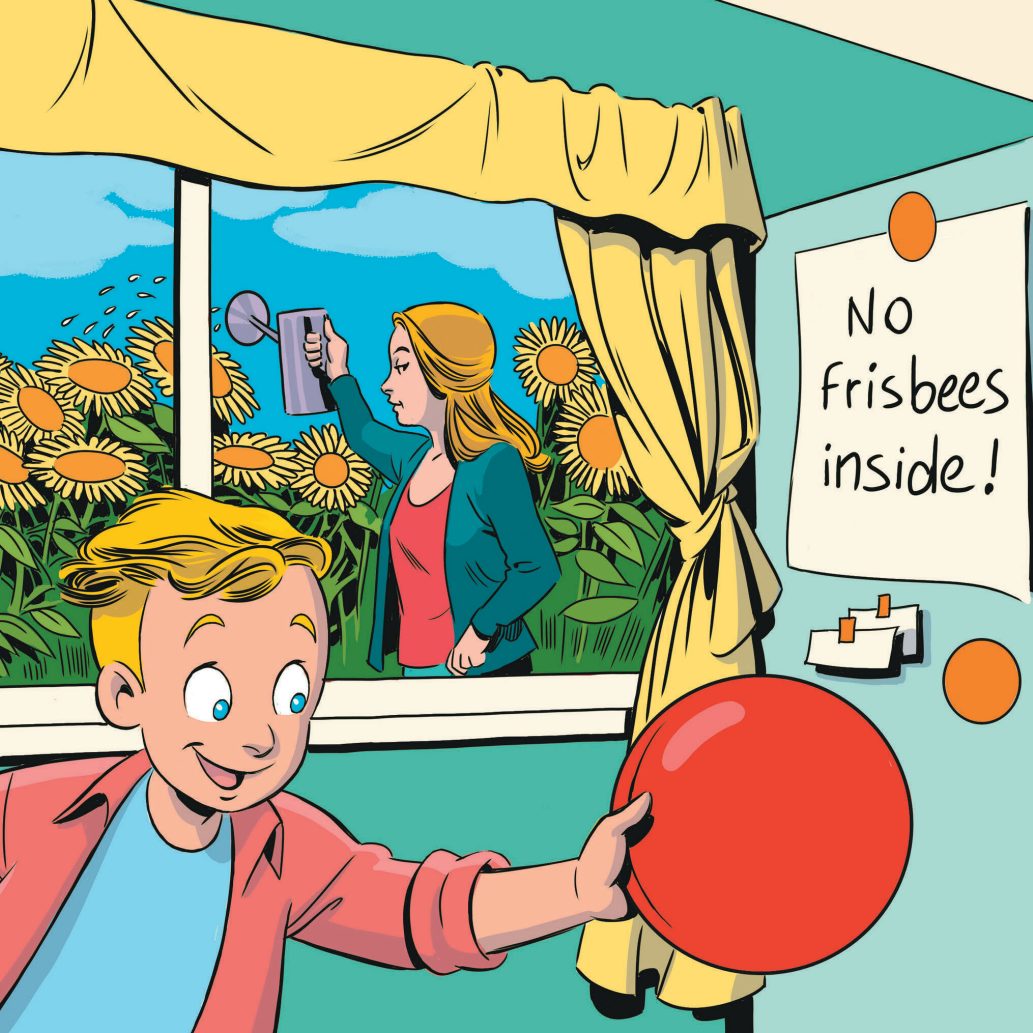
Let me tell you the story about how I went numb when I knocked over Mom's glass gnome. If only I knew to be more careful. Boy, was I wrong and careless.





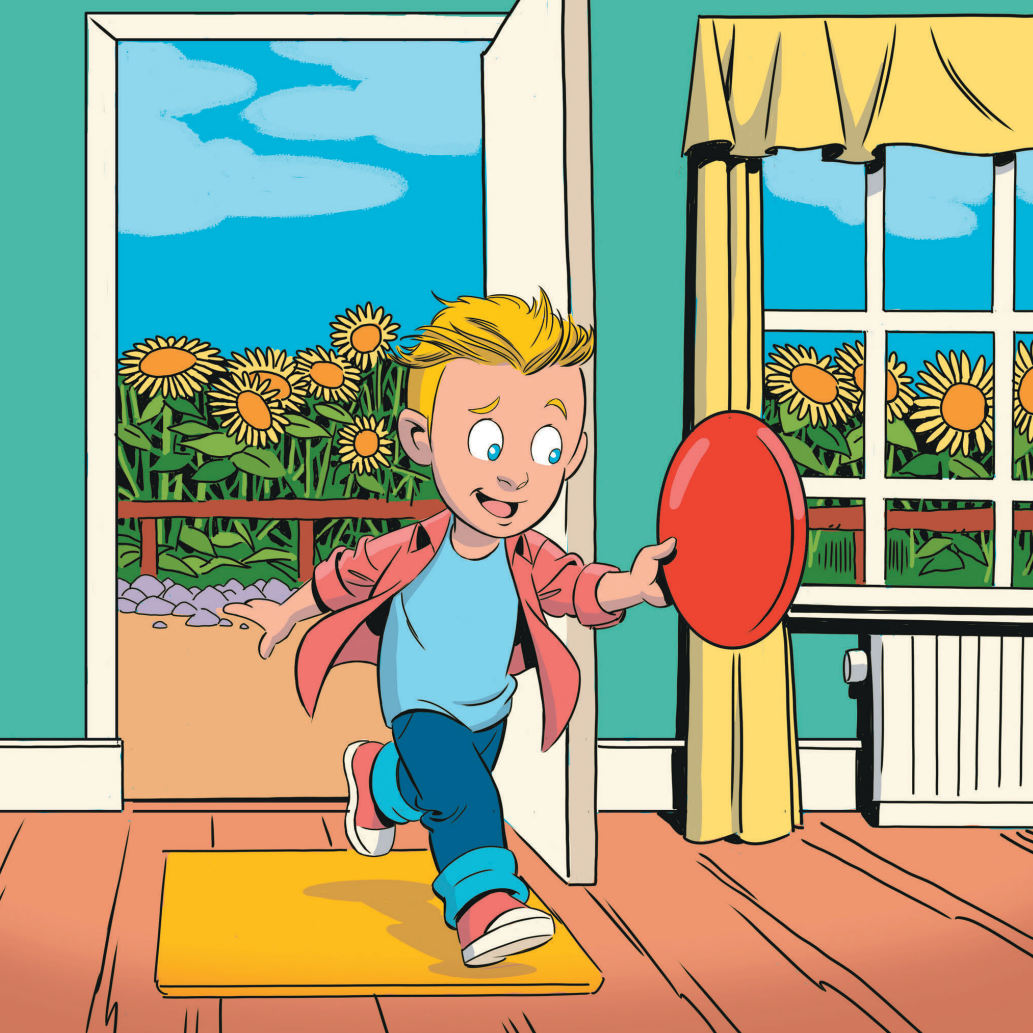
I was really bored and stuck at home. I knew I wasn't actually allowed to play frisbee inside. Mom had even thoughtfully written it on a sign.

The boredom was gnawing at me and Mom was busy watering the sunflowers in the backyard. I know you're thinking... "What a knucklehead!" Shamefully, I agree.

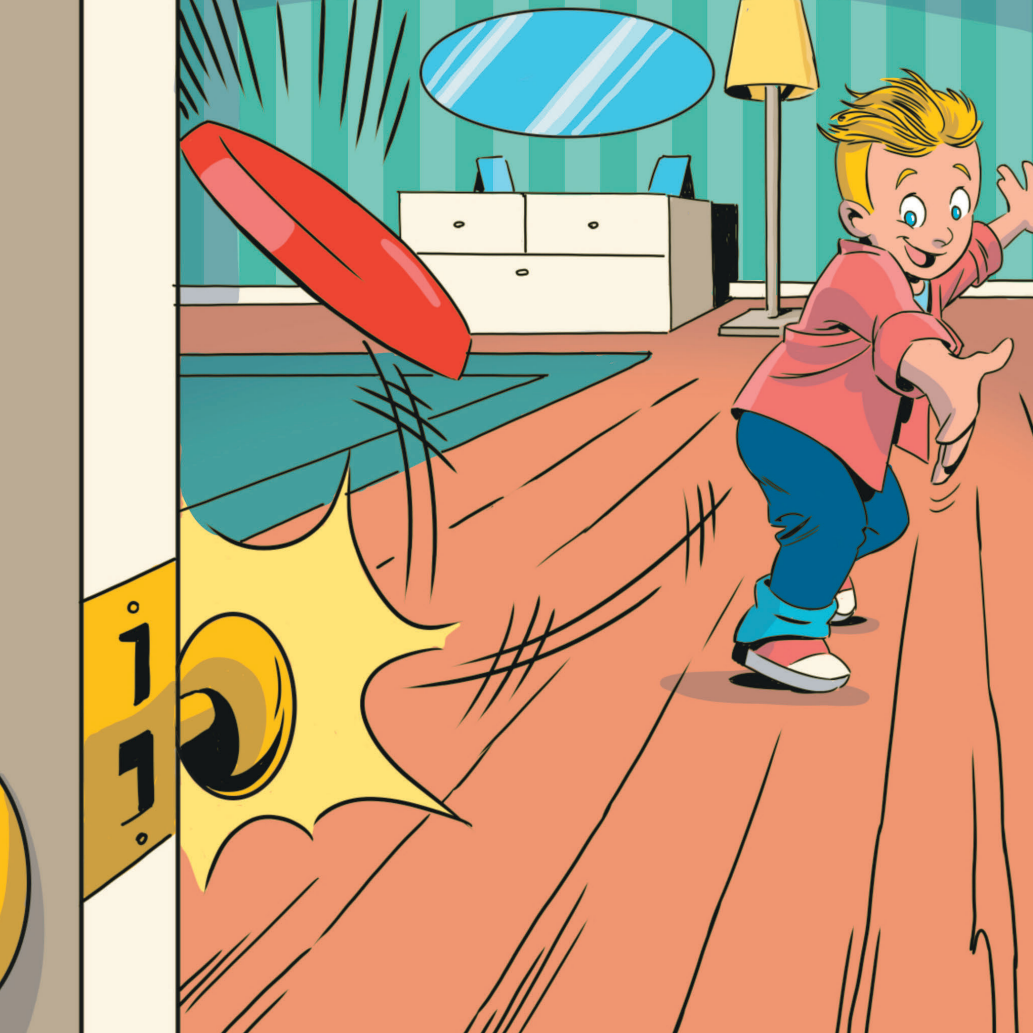


No frisbees inside!

It was heartless to play frisbee inside and I knew I was being thoughtless. I went out on a limb thinking there was enough space for me to not wreck anything or knock anything meaningful over. Silly me.



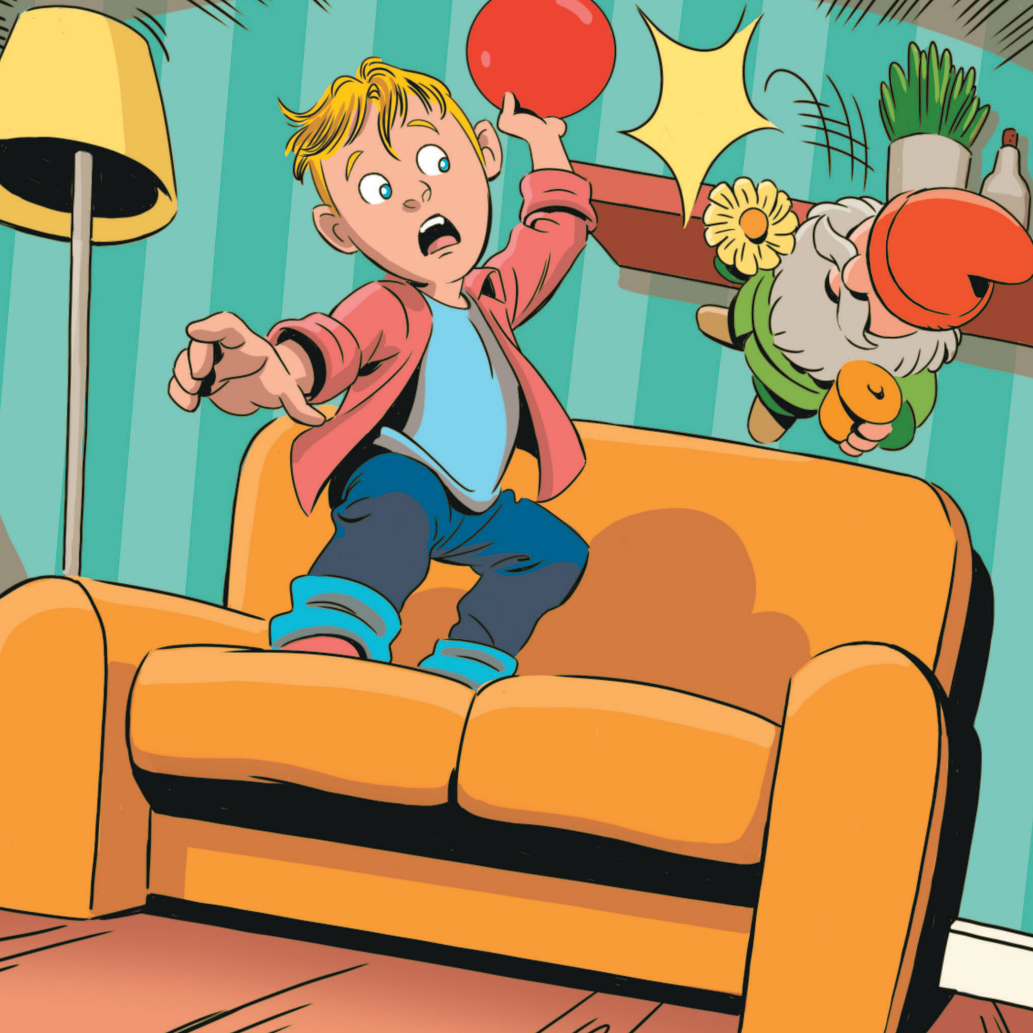
I didn't want to wreck anything, but the boredom was making me numb. I knelt down on one knee and quickly threw the frisbee. All it did was weakly hit the doorknob and fall sadly to the floor.



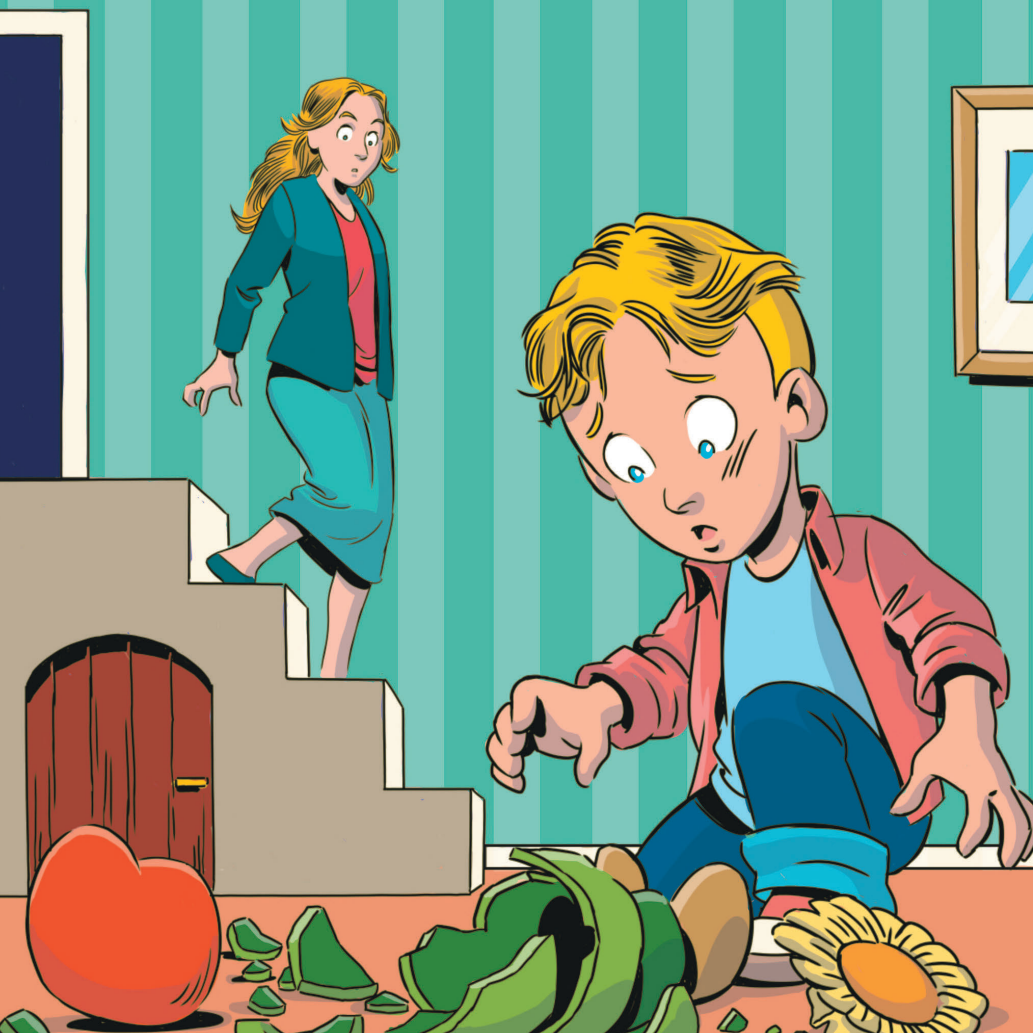
Confidently, I thought, "I can do better than that!"

I quickly climbed onto the couch and knew instantly that I was doing something wrong. Sometimes, I have a knack for getting in trouble. But I happily and tightly gripped the frisbee with my thumb, drew my limb back forcefully, and threw the frisbee!





Drawing my wrist back swiftly with the frisbee, I hit Mom's fragile gnome. I knocked it onto the ground! Little pieces the size of crumbs were everywhere. I was instantly regretful!



"Oh, Rob! You know I loved that gnome," Mom said sadly.

I gnawed on my lip nervously. I knew I had made a mistake and now I knew better. I went to my room and wrote Mom a note to say sorry for my wrongdoing.





## 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

What can be learned about the narrator's actions that can help you in your life?



## Decodable Words

actually	gnome	knock	regretful	tightly
careful	happily	know	sadly	weakly
careless	heartless	knucklehead	shamefully	wreck
climb	instantly	limb	sign	wrist
confidently	knack	meaningful	swiftly	written
crumb	knee	numb	thoughtfully	wrong
doorknob	knelt	quickly	thoughtless	wrongdoing
forcefully	knew	really	thumb	wrote
gnaw				

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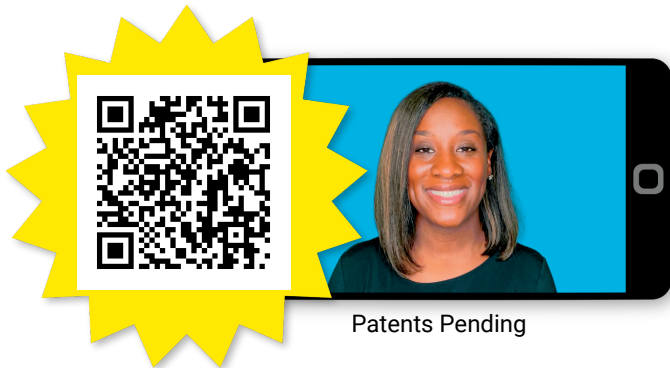
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