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# Grow Your PNONICS Skills!

Look for the diphthongs



Try these decodable words! See <u>page 15</u> for more.



#### New Vocabulary

fowl: a bird hunted or kept for food, including its eggs

summoned: called to appear for a particular purpose

# Let's Read!

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



Proud Count Richard was hunting fowl when the renowned Lady Adele summoned him.

He raised his brow and twisted his mouth when she said, "Bring me a dragon tooth!"

Was it for power or riches? Count Richard didn't know, but vowed that he would.

He set off for Owl Mountain, where there were dragons all around.

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He chased down his best buddy, a brown hound named Wolf. His hound did not howl, yowl, or growl...not even when dragons were around.

They were rowdy pals that took care of one another.



Clouds and rain found the team as they plowed on to Owl Mountain.

"Wolf, we're drowning and there's no town. Let's take shelter in that tower," said Count Richard.

They were wet and wanted a warm shower and dry bed. When they entered, they found out who lived there. A loud snoring dragon!

"Don't make a sound!" The dragon was down for a nap.



Count Richard was quiet as a mouse, but Wolf made a loud growl that woke the dragon. The dragon's snout and jowl were smoking. Count Richard hid.

He turned to check on Wolf and gasped aloud when he found books all about.

The dragon had a library!



"You're a reader!" shouted Count Richard.

Now, the dragon turned around spouting smoke at him.

The dragon and the Count sat down. As it turned out, the dragon only wanted to bounce around ideas about great books.



Count Richard vowed he wouldn't return without a dragon tooth. Wow!

Did the dragon have a tooth lying around on the couch or on the ground?

The dragon would give Count Richard a tooth if he vowed to return every month and talk about books.



Count Richard mounted his horse and returned to the tower. He was so proud!

Lady Adele was waiting in her red gown and gold crown.

"The dragon's tooth," said Count Richard, bowing to her.

"You found it! Thank you! Now, find a claw from an owl."

Sir Richard frowned, he mounted his horse and set south to find an owl.



# Phonics Fun

Write 2 words you know that will help you remember words with ou and ow.

### Comprehension

Do you agree/disagree with Count Richard's actions? Explain your reasons.

AB CD Decodable Words				
about	crown	howl	owl	sound
aloud	down	jowl	plow	south
around	drown	loud	power	spout
bounce	found	mount	proud	tower
bow	fowl	mountain	renown	town
brow	frown	mouse	rowdy	VOW
brown	gown	mouth	shout	without
cloud	ground	now	shower	wow
couch	growl	out	snout	yowl
count	hound			



#### Patents Pending

# **Count Richard and the Dragon** Decodable Set: 43 Skill: Diphthongs ow, ou

