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### Grow Your Phonics Skills!

Look for the r-controlled



Try these decodable words! See page 15 for more.

dear

fair

#### **New Vocabulary**

lair: a den or resting place for wild animals

unfair: something is

not fair

### Let's Read!

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





Dear Sheep,

I am sitting in my armchair, here in my dog lair. It is a dreary day.

But I want to be clear. I'm thinking of you.

When will you appear? Are you near? We make such a pair!

- Dog



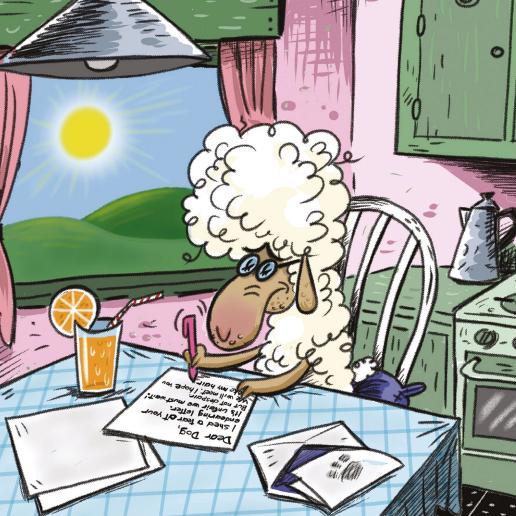
Dear Dog,

I shed a tear at your endearing letter.

It's unfair we must wait! But do not despair.

We will meet. I hope you like my hair!

- Sheep



Dear Sheep,

Did I overhear that you are delayed? Or did I mishear? Maybe I need to clean my hairy ears!

I try not to despair. I'm going to love your hair.

- Dog



Dear Dog,

You did not mishear. I cannot come until the weather clears and the clouds disappear.

It's not fair. Here I sit in my chair, brushing my hair, eating an eclair. Boring!

I long to be in the fresh air. And yes, please keep your ears clean and clear.

- Sheep



Dear Sheep,

Now I really do despair. I cleaned my ears. They are very clear!

But when will you appear? I wish to share time with friends I care about.

- Dog



"Is it you, dear Dog?"

"Yes, dear Sheep. The sky is clear, and I am here!"

"Smell that fresh air. The weather is fair."



"We make a nice pair, my dear Sheep! You and I will be friends for years!"

"Dear Dog, I see your ears are clear."

"And dear Sheep, I love your hair!"





#### **Phonics Fun**

- Write 3 words from the book.
- Note how many letters and how many sounds are in each word.
- Are they the same or different? Why? (e.g., The word "meat" has 4 letters and 3 sounds because the ea makes 1 sound.)



#### Comprehension

How does the author show you the sense of sadness in the book?



#### **Decodable Words**

air	endear
appear	fair
armchair	hair
care	lair
chair	mishear
clear	near
dear	overhear
despair	pair
disappear	share
dreary	tear
ear	unfair
eclair	year

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