

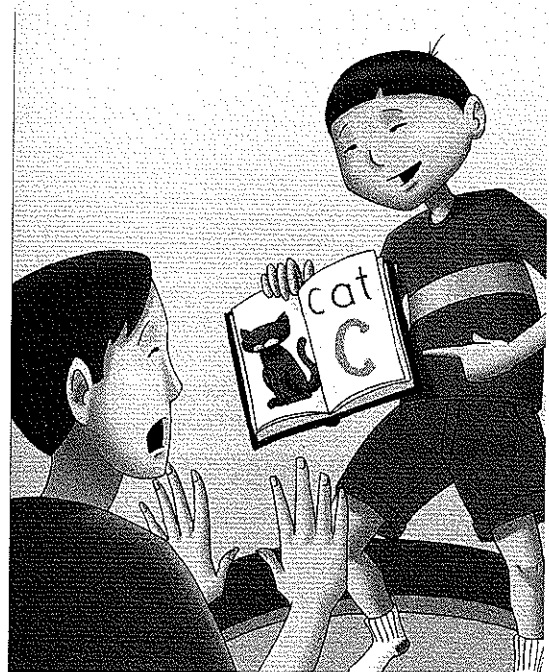
Dear Family Member,

This is a story your child has read at school. Encourage your child to read the story to you, and then talk about it together. The tricky parts of words are underlined in gray. You may want to encourage your child to point with his finger word by word as he reads.



Zack Gets a Pet

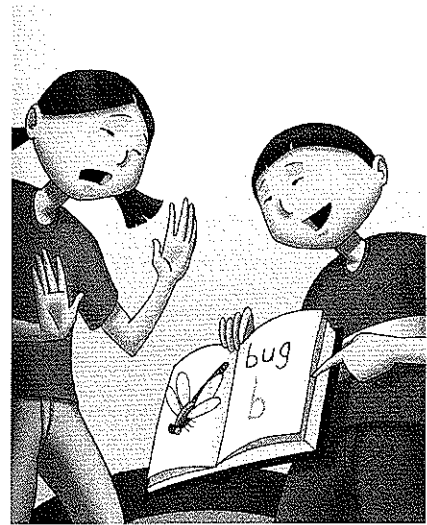
"Can I get a cat?" Zack asks.
Dad tells Zack, "No o cats!
Cats run up trees and can't get back"



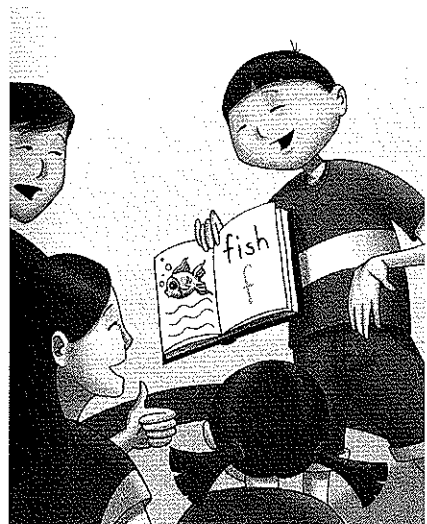
"Can I get a rat?" Zack asks.
Mom adds, "No o, no o! No rats!"
"Rats smell bad."



“Can I get a bug?” Zack asks.
Ann tells Zack, “No, no! A bug is not a pet!”



“Can I get a fish?” Zack asks.
“A fish?” his mom asks.
“A fish is not so bad.
Can a fish be a fun pet?”
Dad nods and Ann shrugs.
“Can I get one, then?” Zack asks.
Mom nods.
“Yes!” yells Zack.



Zack runs to the pet shop.
“Can I get that fish?” Zack asks.
“This one?” the pet shop man asks.
Zack nods.
“This one costs six bucks.”
Zack hands the man the cash.
Then Zack runs to Mom and Dad with his pet fish.

