

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. Encourage your child to point with her finger word by word as she reads.



A Gift from Mom

Once Mom got the kids a gift.

The gift was in a big black box.

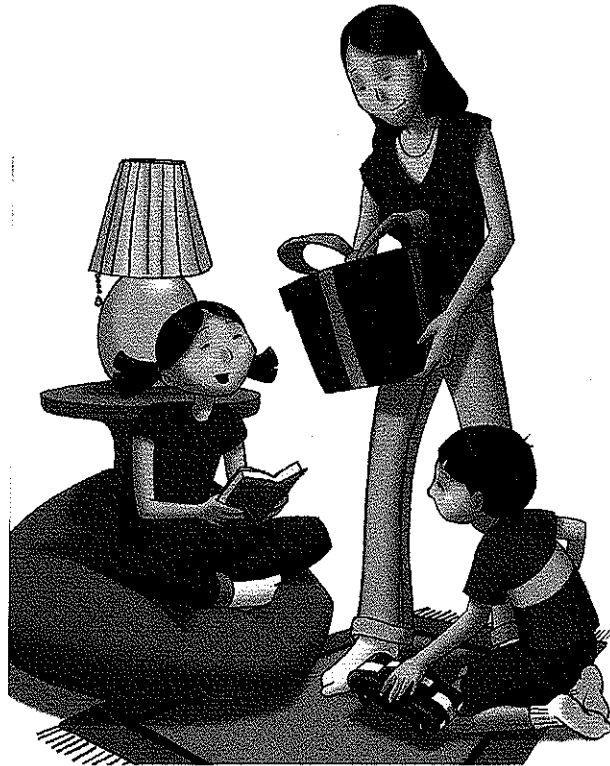
Mom set the box on the rug.

"Is it a truck?" Zack said.

"No," Mom said. "It's not a truck."

"I bet it's a hat," Ann said.

"No," Mom said. "It's not a hat."



Then the box said, "Ruff, ruff!"

Zack slid the lid off the box.

A dog sat up.

"It's a dog!" said Ann.

"Yes!" said Zack.

"Mom's the best!"

