Level A: lesson 141 (115 words)

Level A/B: lesson 84

## Clean <u>Ai</u>r

Ann was sick. She was pale and she didn't like to eat.

H<u>er</u> mom and dad didn't know why Ann was so sick, and her <u>doctor</u> didn't know why she was sick.

One day h<u>er doctor</u> said, "I don't know why Ann is sick. But I have a pal who may know. She is a fine <u>doctor</u> and I think you need to go see her. Her name is <u>Doctor</u> Kit."

So Ann and h<u>er</u> mom and dad got into the car and drove to see <u>Doctor</u> Kit.

<u>Doctor</u> Kit said, "The <u>ai</u>r in this town is d<u>ir</u>ty.

Ann needs to go away for a while. The <u>ai</u>r is just too bad here for Ann."

Level A: lesson 142 (127 words)

Level A/B: lesson 85

# The Farm Part 1

One day Ann's dad said, "We are going to visit a farm. My pal Nick has a farm and he told me that the <u>air</u> is not so d<u>ir</u>ty on his farm. Mom will stay here."

Ann's mom said, "You will only stay for five or six days. Nick has lots of things to do on the farm."

"Oh yes," said Ann. "I will really have fun on the farm. Are cows and pigs on his farm?"

"I don't know," said Ann's dad. "But we need to see if the clean <u>air</u> will help you. The <u>air</u> is too dirty in this town. It is nearly time for us to go, so pack the things you need."

"It will only take me a little while," said Ann.

#### More to come

Level A: lesson 143 (115 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86

# The Farm Part 2

Nick's farm was far away. Ann and her dad drove and drove in the car. In a while, Ann said, "At last we are here at Nick's farm."

Pigs and brown cows were near the barn. Nick was feeding the pigs f<u>ir</u>st.

"May I feed the pigs or the cows?" asked Ann.

"Yes, you may feed the cows next" said Nick. "Do you like cows?"

"Not as much as I like goats," said Ann. "I really like goats. Do you have goats?"

"Yes, I do," said Nick. "I have four goats."

"May I see one of those goats?" Ann asked.

"It is late and it will be too dark now. We will have to wait."

### More to come

Level A: lesson 144 (152 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86-

# The Farm Part 3

The next day, Ann ran over to her dad. Her dad gave her a hug.

"How are you feeling?" he asked. "You don't seem to be so sick. You don't seem as pale as you were."

"I feel just fine. This clean air makes me feel better," said Ann. "But I don't see Nick."

"Nick is in the barn feeding the pigs and cows. He will be back in a little while."

"Do you think  ${\bf I}$  can see the goats today?" asked Ann.

"I don't know," her dad said. "It is raining now, but maybe a little later you can. We will ask Nick."

After a while, Nick came back from the barn.

"May I see the goats now?" Ann asked.

Nick said, "It is raining, so we may slip in the mud. But you can come with me to the barn and we will see the goats if you wish."

More to come

Level A: lesson 145 (164 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

#### The Farm

#### Part 4

Nick told Ann that the goats were in the barn. He asked Ann to carry the hay to feed the goats.

Nick said, "I have four little goats for you to see. Baby goats are named kids, but these goats are bigger. Two goats are brown and two goats are white."

It was raining, but Ann did not slip in the mud. The four goats were waiting to eat. Ann smiled as the goats began to eat the hay.

Ann said, "It is easy to feed the goats. Do the goats have something to drink, too?"

"Yes," said Nick. "The goats can drink from the pan next to the pile of rocks. The goats eat and drink a lot <u>ea</u>ch day." Ann had fun with the little goats and Nick told her to stay in the barn for a while. "You do not need to hurry, Ann. Have fun feeding the goats, but don't be too late," Nick told her as he was leaving.

This is not the end

Level A: lesson 146 (152 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

#### The Farm

#### Part 5

Ann liked feeding hay to the four goats in the barn. One of the little goats was trying to bite its brother while it got a drink from the pan.

Ann said, "Don't do that, you funny little goat! You need to be sweet to <u>ea</u>ch other." That goat gave a bite too and jumped up and ran away from its brother.

Nick came back to the barn and said to Ann, "Somebody needs to fill the pan for the goats.

That is why one goat was trying to bite the other goat. The goats need more to drink. You can carry a pail to fill the pan."

Ann was fast as she filled the pan for the goats to drink from. Nick smiled at Ann and said,

"I'm glad to see that this is <u>easy</u> for you. I wish you lived here on the farm to do these things each day."

More to come

Level A: lesson 147 (168 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

#### The Farm

#### Part 6

Ann had a lot of fun on the farm, but it was time for her to go home with her dad. The clean air at the farm had made Ann feel fine and she was not pale. First, Ann gave each of the pigs a pat on the back. Next, she gave the cows a wave. Last, she gave each of the four little goats a tiny bit of hay and a hug.

Ann said to Nick, "Thank you for showing me how to feed the goats and how it is to be on a farm. The clean air here has made me feel fine."

Ann's dad said, "Yes. Thank you, Nick. Now we know that Ann needs more clean air and we will try to leave the town. May we visit you another time?"

"Yes," said Nick. "I hope you will visit more and Ann can bring her mother to the farm next time. The goats will be bigger the next time you visit, so hurry back!"

The End

Level A: lesson 148 (153 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

#### Life at the Pond

I ask my sister, Jill, to go to the pond with me. We run down the trail, past the pine trees to the pond. I like to hear the frogs croak and see how the frogs leap in the mud. It's fun to try to see how the fish swim so fast and chomp at the bugs.

Big birds fly over the pond and try to dive at the fish too. One bird dove down and grabbed a fish as it jumped up in the pond. If I am in luck, I may see a turtle or two sitting on a log in the sun.

My sister and I lay in the green grass for a while before we go over to the trail and back home for the day. I thank my sister for going with me to the pond on a summer day. She is my pal.

### No More Winter

Winter is over. No more white snow. It will be a while before the trees are green and have leaves, but it is still cold. It is not like spring.

But I am not too cold to go and play on the hill. I grab my brown coat and hat before I go. My mother jokes with me that I need to hurry before it is too late and it is dark.

I grab the rope and take my dog with me. He runs faster than me, so I need to keep him on the rope. Dogs do not need coats and hats to keep from the cold.

It is a short path, and in a little while, we reach the hill. My dog likes rolling in the grass and playing with me. I throw his stick and he runs fast to <u>chase</u> after it. I see that a storm is on its way, so I hurry home with my dog before its starts to rain on us.

Level A: lesson 150 (211 words – previous stories unprompted)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

## Play Things

One day, Jan made a green kite to fly. The kite had big flames on the side. It had a long tail on it too.

Jan said, "I will take my kite to the park and see if it will fly in the sky."

Jan's kite did not fly and she became sad. "I don't know why my kite won't fly over the trees like other kites do," said Jan. "I will try to run faster with the kite."

Jan started to run with the kite in her hand. The kite started to go up and up in the sky. Jan smiled a big smile and said, "My kite is flying way up in the sky now. This is a lot of fun. Now I will make a boat to float in the lake."

Jan asked her dad, "Do we have what  ${f I}$  need to make a boat to float?"

Jan's dad said, "We do not have things you need to make a boat. You will need to take some cash and go to the store."

Later, Jan got back from the shop, but she did not make a boat. Jan gave the cash to the man at the store and he sold her a boat to take to the lake.

Level A: lesson 151 (185 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

### Vin Likes to Hike

Vin likes to go <u>hiking</u> in the snow of winter. He needs a coat and hat to keep from getting cold when he hikes. If the snow is deep, it can be hard to do. Some days, the cold air makes the <u>hiking</u> slow, but Vin really likes to see the white snow on the pine trees.

Vin likes <u>hiking</u> in the spring, too. The air is not so cold in the spring, so a big coat is not needed. The trails do not have snow, but they may have lots of mud. It may still be hard to go fast, but Vin really likes to hear the little birds in the pine trees now.

In the summer, Vin hikes on some of these same trails. The paths are dry and do not have mud to make him slip. Vin can hike faster, but he has no need to hurry. He needs a shirt and shorts,

but not a coat. Vin needs a hat now to keep him from getting sunb<u>ur</u>n. The sky is r<u>ea</u>lly cl<u>ea</u>r in the summer and Vin feels free and happy.

Level A: lesson 152 (166 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

## The St<u>or</u>m

I was playing in the park with my three pals.

We were <u>chasing each</u> other and <u>hiding from each</u> other. One of my pals was <u>diving</u> into a pile of leaves to hide from us. It was r<u>eally fun!</u>

After a while, the sky started to get dark. The air became cold and the wind started to blow hard. Somebody said that a st<u>or</u>m was on its way. Leaves were flying from the trees and a branch broke from the pine tree near the slide.

We stopped playing and started to run back to my home. It started to rain really hard just as we got away from the park.

My mom was waiting for us and was happy to see us safe at home. She was glad that the branch that broke didn't hurt someone. Then my

pals stay<u>ed</u> at my home for a while and we played games. I r<u>ea</u>lly had fun with my three pals on that day of the st<u>or</u>m.

Level A: lesson 153 (142 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

## A Day at the Beach

My mom, my dad, my brother and  $\mathbf{I}$  like to go swimming and play in the sand. So, one summer day we went to the beach.

My mom drove the car and we started to sing as we went down the road. We stopped at the little store in town for something to take to eat and drink at the beach.

We drove some more and in a bit, we were at the spot for swimming and stopped the car. We had to carry things over the hill by the road, down to the sand.

We went swimming in the waves and when we got a little bit cold, we dug holes in the sand. We wore big hats so we didn't get sunburn. It was hot and we had so much fun with each other that day in the summer sun!

Level A: lesson 154 (159 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

## **Summer Camp**

Lee and Rose are going to a fun camp for six days this summer. Next week, when the day is here, Rose and Lee will ride on a bus with lots of other kids from town.

They will pack a bag with the things they will need at camp, like shirts and pants and hiking gear. They will each need to bring a sleeping bag.

At the camp, the kids will go hiking and riding bikes on the trails in the hills. Rose may get to ride a horse one day and Lee will go boating in the deep lake. They will go swimming and diving from the dock. Some days, when it is cold or it rains, Lee and Rose will make art and do painting at the camp.

They will sleep in a big tent with ten other kids. Going to camp with a pal is really fun, but you may miss your mom and dad too.

Level A: lesson 155 (158 words)

Level A/B: lesson 86 -

## You Can Really Read

Wow, if you can read this story, you are really smart! When this year began, you started to read a little. Did you know how to read a short story? Now you can read a big story like this one.

Now you are done with the last story in your reader. Which tale did you like more than the others? Was it the story of Ann going to the farm with her dad? Was it the story of Dave and Jane on the ship ride? Or was it the tale of Big Ray? Did you have a story that you liked the best?

Can you tell a pal one story that you really liked? You can go back and read that story to your pal, to your mom or to your dad. Read a story or two each day at home so that you will stay so smart. When you grow up, you may teach others to read!