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Characters










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Decodable Word Chart

Long /e/	Short /i/	Short /e/	Short /a/	Short /u/	Short /o/	Schwa /ə/
						
cheep	big	egg	hatch	munch	top	about
baby	kick	yells	cracks	up	off	the
tree	skip		flaps	dust	chomps	
			apples	run	stomp	
			stamp	fun		
			naps	snuffle		
				trunk		



Sarita finds a big egg.
She thinks about what kind of thing
will hatch from this egg.



BING, BANG, BONG!

The egg cracks and the top flings off.



Snuffle, snuffle, snort!

**Sarita naps with the big baby bird
by the trunk of the tree.**



Cling, cling, cling!
Sarita hangs on to the big baby bird.
They kick up the dust
as they skip and run.
“This is fun!” yells Sarita.



“Cheep, cheep, cheep!”
sings the baby bird.
The big baby bird flaps its wings
and sings its song.



Munch, munch, munch.
The big baby bird chomps on apples.



Stamp, stomp, stamp!
The big baby bird dances
with Sarita.