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to Miss Mac Ivor,
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Dear Parents and Educators,

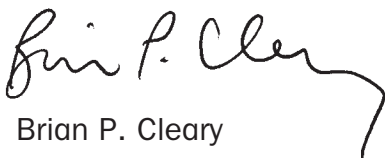
As a former adult literacy coach and the father of three children, I know that learning to read isn't always easy. That's why I developed **Sounds Like Reading™**—a series that uses a combination of devices to help children learn to read.

This book is the sixth in the **Sounds Like Reading™** series. It uses rhyme, repetition, illustration, and phonics to introduce young readers to long vowel sounds and consonant digraphs—letter combinations that come together to create a new sound. These include combinations such as *ch*, *sh*, and *th*. I've chosen to use a broad, inclusive definition of digraphs in this book, so you'll also see combinations such as *kn* and *wr*.

Starting on page 4, you'll see three rhyming words on each left-hand page. These words are part of the sentence on the facing page. They all feature long vowels and consonant digraphs. As the book progresses, the sentences become more challenging. These sentences contain a “discovery” word—an extra rhyming word in addition to those that appear on the left. The final sentence in the book contains two discovery words. Children will delight in the increased confidence that finding and decoding these words will bring. They'll also enjoy looking for the mouse that appears throughout the book. The mouse asks readers to look for words that sound alike.

The bridge to literacy is one of the most important we will ever cross. It is my hope that the **Sounds Like Reading™** series will help young readers to hop, gallop, and skip from one side to the other!

Sincerely,


Brian P. Cleary

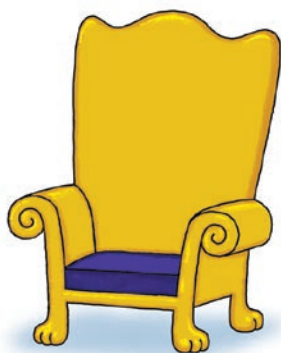
**Look for me
to help you find
the words that
sound alike!**



shone



throne



phone



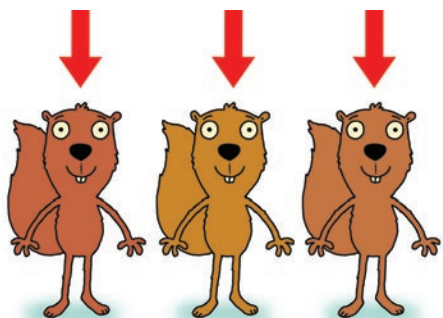


Can you find
three words that
sound alike?

The sun **shone** on the **throne**
as he talked on the **phone**.



each



reach



peach





Can you find
three words that
sound alike?

We **each reach** for a **peach**.



she



three

3

knee





She drew a **three** on her **knee**.



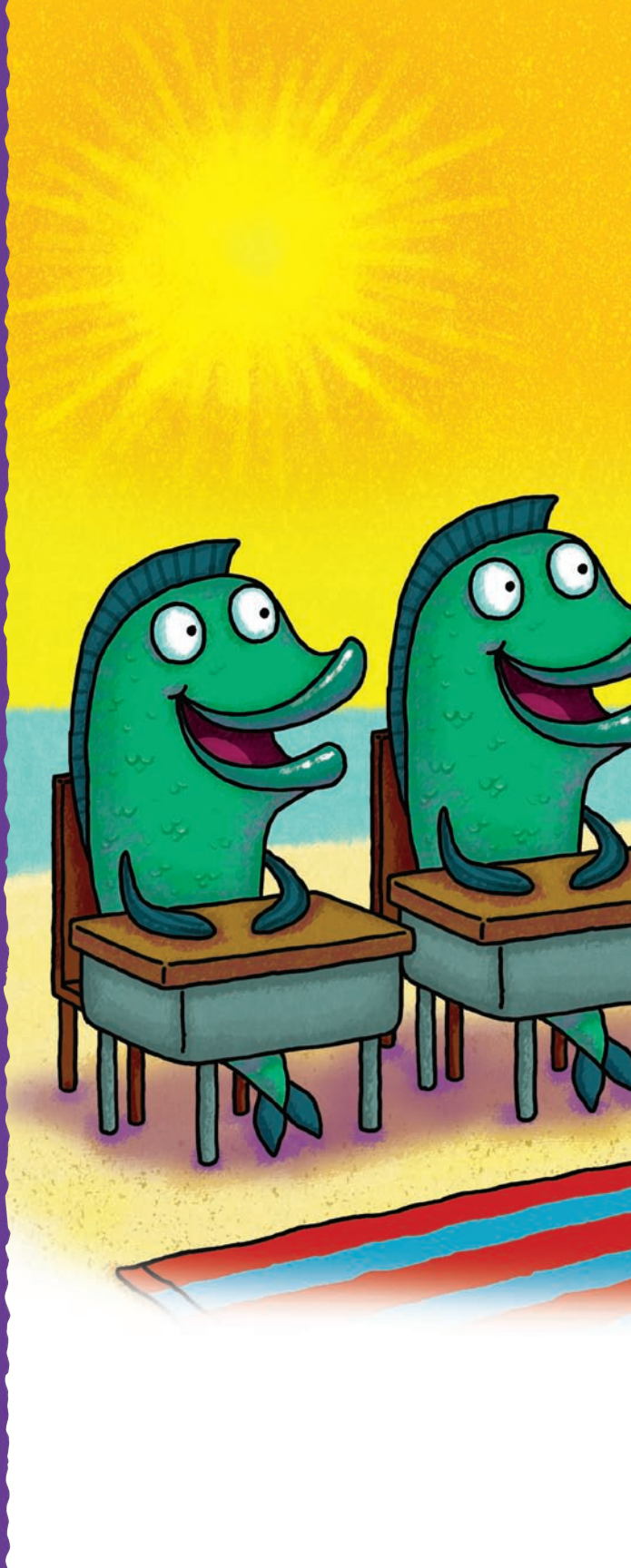
teach



speech



beach





Sand,
sun, and
fun ...

SAND
SUN
FUN

Can you find
three words that
sound alike?

He can **teach** the **speech**
at the **beach**.

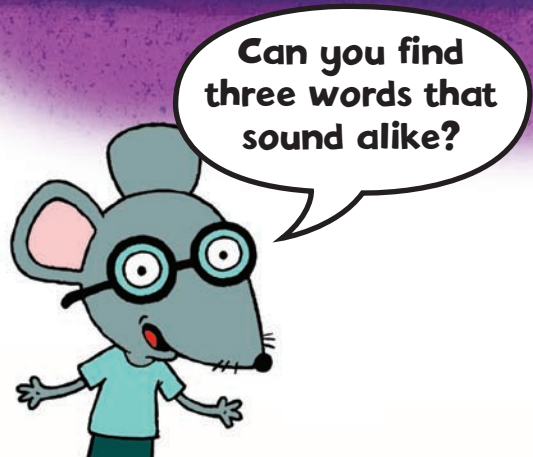
leech



bleach



screech





The **leech** by the **bleach**
made me **screech**.

whose



shoes



choose





Whose shoes should she **choose**?

chief



thief



sheaf



Can you find
three words that
sound alike?





The **chief** saw the **thief**
with the **sheaf**.

sheik



shriek



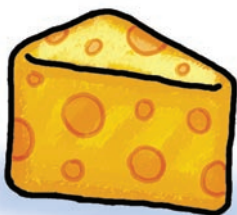
cheek



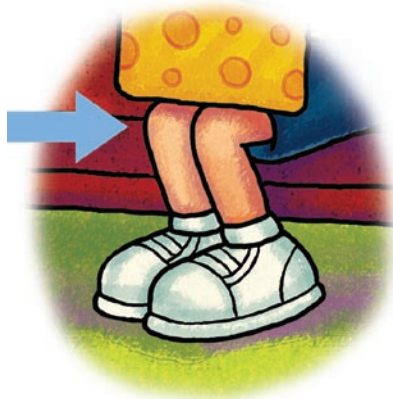


The **sheik** will **shriek** if you
kiss his **cheek**.

cheese



knees



wheeze



Can you find
three words that
sound alike?





The **cheese** on my **knees** made me **wheeze**.

Mr. Cho



know



throw



Can you find the word that sounds like Mr. Cho, know, and throw?





Show Mr. Cho that you **know**
how to **throw**.

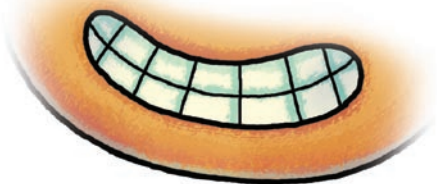
Keith



wreath



teeth





Can you find
the word that
sounds like
Keith, wreath,
and teeth?

Keith had a **wreath** beneath
his **teeth**.



chew



shoe



threw



Can you find the word that sounds like chew, shoe, and threw?





She **knew** she should not **chew**
on the **shoe** that he **threw**.

chose



shows



knows





Can you find
the word that
sounds like
chose, shows,
and knows?

She **chose** those **shows** that
her friend **knows**.

Ruth



tooth



booth





It is the **truth** that a **youth** named **Ruth** put a **tooth** in the **booth**.

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Come along with me and learn all about reading! Brian P. Cleary's wacky sentences and Jason Miskimins's colorful art will make phonics fun!



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A Short Vowel Sounds Book

BOOK 2 Stop, Drop, and Flop in the Slop

A Short Vowel Sounds Book with Consonant Blends

BOOK 3 The Nice Mice in the Rice

A Long Vowel Sounds Book

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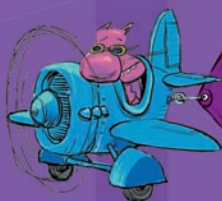
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