



The Lost Lamp

A DecodiVerse Story



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Reading Level: Grade 1

Words ending in blends like nd, nk, nt, and mp

Words to watch for: pond, sand, dented, lamp, trunk

Before you start: Have you ever found something interesting outside? What was it?



Jill went to the pond to hunt for lost things. She liked to dig in the damp sand.



She bent down and brushed the sand. She felt something round and bumped.



It was a dented lamp. It was old and had a crack, but it still had a faint glow.



Jill rubbed the lamp with the end of her sleeve. A soft hum went 'plunk.'



A gust of wind rushed past. The pond rippled, and the lamp shook in her hand.



A wisp of pink mist drifted up. It swirled around Jill and landed on the bank.



The mist went 'plink' and sank. In its spot sat a small glass plant with a golden trunk.



Jill grinned. She set the plant on her desk next to the lamp. It still hummed and glowed.

Reading Guide

For Parents & Teachers

HOW TO READ THIS TOGETHER

- Before reading, look at the title and illustrations together. Ask your child what they think the story will be about. After reading, talk about the story — what they liked, what surprised them, what they'd do differently.
- This story has lots of final-blend words. Try clapping out the ending sounds together: sa-nd, la-mp, plu-nk!

BEFORE READING

- Have you ever found something interesting outside? What was it?
- Look at the title — what do you think a 'lost lamp' might look like?

DURING READING

- (Page 3) Jill found a dented lamp! What do you think is special about it?
- (Page 5) The wind is blowing and the lamp is shaking! What do you think will happen?
- (Page 7) A glass plant appeared! How do you think it got there?

AFTER READING

- Is the lamp magical? What clues tell you that?
- How many words can you find that end in nd, nk, nt, or mp?

PHONICS FOCUS

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Practice words: pond, sand, dented, lamp, trunk

FOR PARENTS

This story is packed with words that end in two consonant sounds blended together — like nd in sand, mp in lamp, nk in trunk, and nt in dented. Blending these ending sounds smoothly is a big step in your child's reading.

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