

# The Mop and Dad at the Top

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PHASE 2

/i/n/  
m/d/

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Level 1 – Pink

# Helpful Hints for Reading at Home

The graphemes (written letters) and phonemes (units of sound) used throughout this series are aligned with Letters and Sounds. This offers a consistent approach to learning whether reading at home or in the classroom.

HERE IS A LIST OF NEW PHONEMES FOR THIS PHASE OF LEARNING. AN EXAMPLE OF THE PRONUNCIATION CAN BE FOUND IN BRACKETS.

Phase 2			
s (sat)	a (cat)	t (tap)	p (tap)
i (pin)	n (net)	m (man)	d (dog)
g (go)	o (sock)	c (cat)	k (kin)
ck (sack)	e (elf)	u (up)	r (rabbit)
h (hut)	b (ball)	f (fish)	ff (off)
l (lip)	ll (ball)	ss (hiss)	

HERE ARE SOME WORDS WHICH YOUR CHILD MAY FIND TRICKY.

Phase 2 Tricky Words			
the	to	l	no
go	into		

## TOP TIPS FOR HELPING YOUR CHILD TO READ:

- Allow children time to break down unfamiliar words into units of sound and then encourage children to string these sounds together to create the word.
- Encourage your child to point out any focus phonics when they are used.
- Read through the book more than once to grow confidence.
- Ask simple questions about the text to assess understanding.
- Encourage children to use illustrations as prompts.

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Can you find 5 objects in the picture below which start with the letter m?



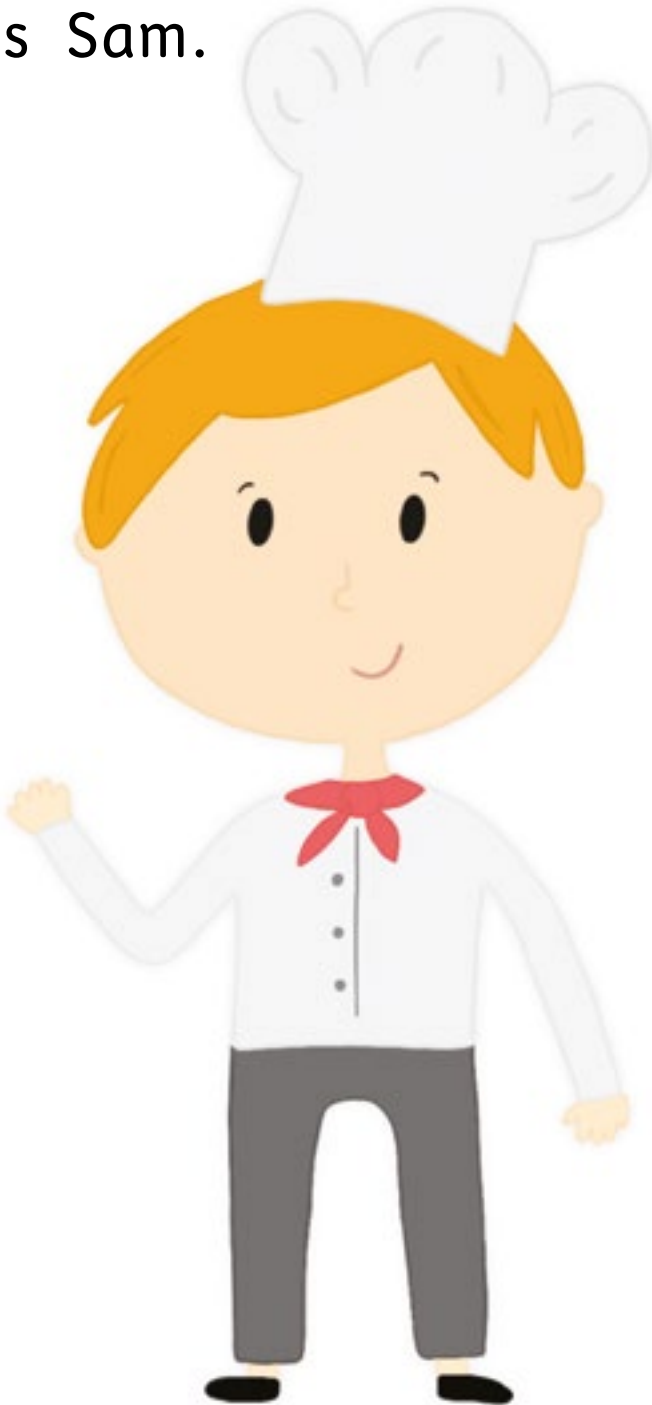
# The Mop



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It is Sam.



It is Sam and Tim.





Sam and a pot.



Tip it in!



Tip it in!



Tip it in!



It is a dog.



Dan the dog.



# The dog and the pot.



# Dog in the pot!





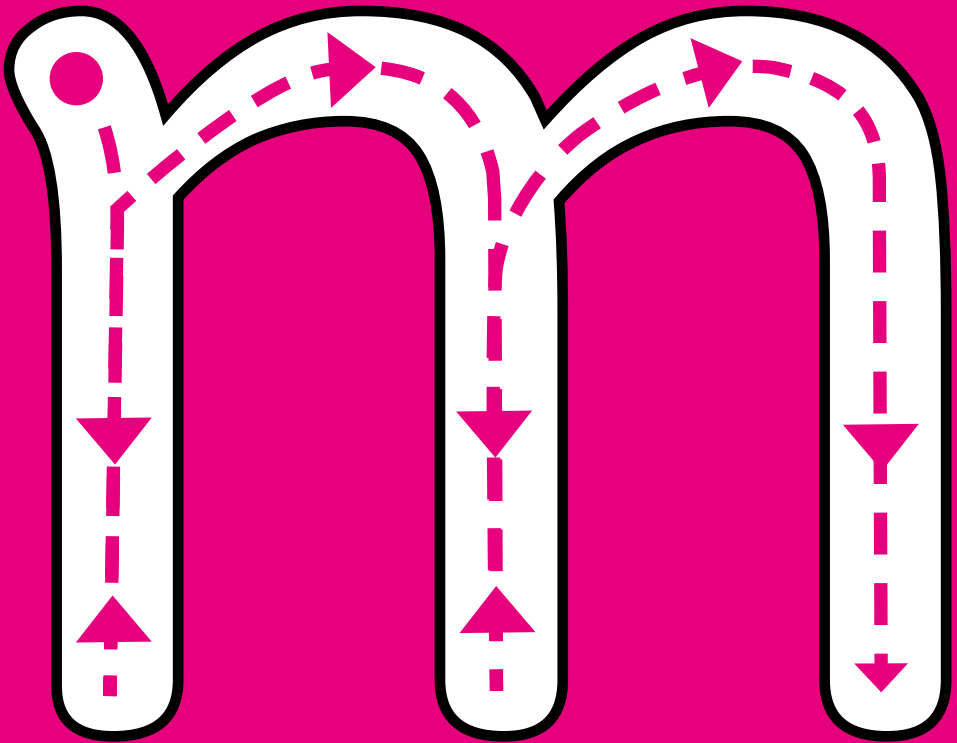
Sam and a mop.



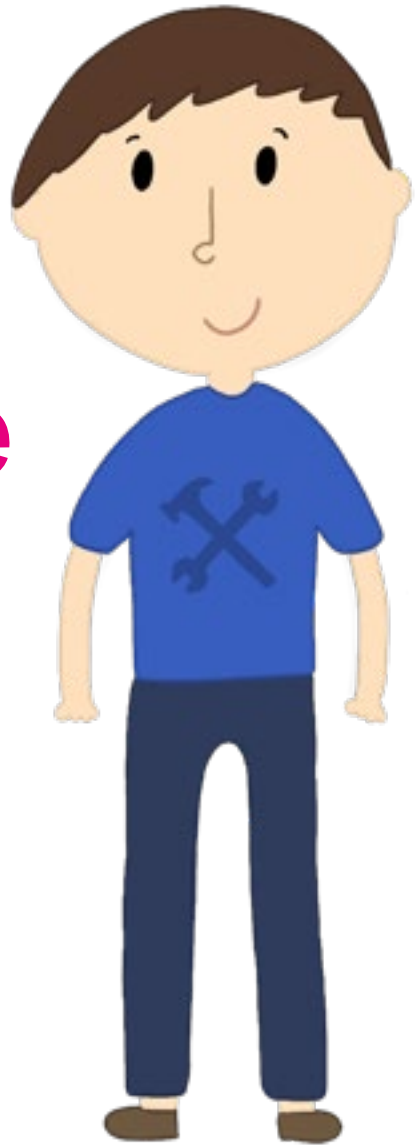
Dan on the mat.



Can you say this sound and  
draw it with your finger?



# Dad at the Top



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It is Dan.



It is Dan's dad.



Dan is in the pit.



Dad is at the top.





It is Mat the cat.



Go to Dan, Mat.



Mat can dig in the pit.



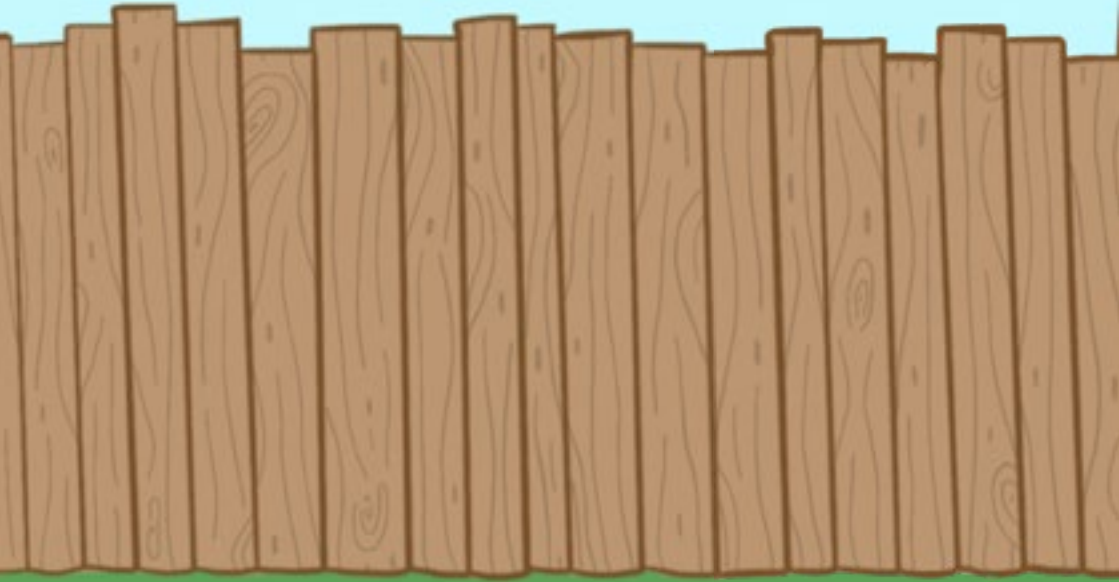
Not in the pit, Mat.





Not in  
the pit.

It is Sam the dog!



Sit, Sam the dog!



Dad is not at the top!





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Sam and Tim are baking a cake with the help  
their little friend.

## Dad at the Top

Dan and Dad are enjoying a lovely sunny day outside,  
but Sam the dog accidentally spoils it!

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