



Mat and the Nut

Book 34: Mat and the Nut

New Words

nut, rat, set - decodable

Plot Summary

Mat the Rat has a great big nut. He cracks it open to discover what is inside. Just then Sam approaches. Mat decides to hide in his prize nut. Then Mat jumps up with the nut on top of him and frightens Sam. Sam retaliates by shutting Mat up inside the giant nut.

Story Questions (Comprehension)

1. page 1: What does Mat have?
2. page 4: How is Mat going to find out what is inside the nut?
3. page 7: What do you think Mat is doing?
4. pages 9: What frightens Sam?
5. pages 11-12: What did Sam do to Mat?

Each new word throughout the program is repeated at least five times in the book in which it first appears and five more times in the next ten books.

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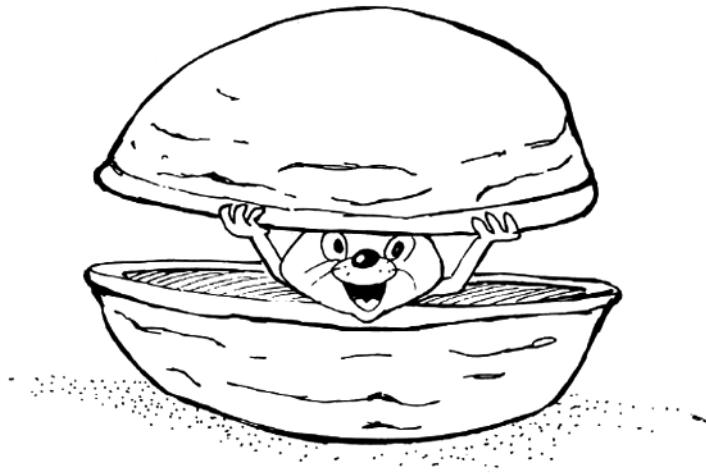


Sam Books

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“Who did it?”

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Level	Book	Title	New Words	New Sounds	Special Words
ONE	1	I See Sam	I, see, Sam	/a/ /s/ /m/	I, see
	2	Sam			
	3	See Sam	am		
	4	See Me	me		me
TWO	5	Mat	Mat	/t/	
	6	See Mat	Mit, Sis	/i/	
	7	Meet Mit	meet		meet
	8	See It	in, it	/n/	
THREE	9	Sit On It	sit, on	/o/	
	10	Sis	is		is
	11	Sam Sat	sat		
	12	It Is Ann	Ann, this		this
FOUR	13	Ann and Nan	and, Nan	/d/	
	14	Nan and the Man	a, the, man		a, the
	15	Sam is Mad	mad, that		that
	16	Sid	at, Sid		
FIVE	17	We Will See	we, will, with	/w/ /l/	we, with
	18	Sid and the Mess	fell, mess	/f/ /e/	
	19	Sis in a Mess			
	20	Nat Sits	fit, Nat		
SIX	21	Nat	sun, them, us, what	/u/	what, them
	22	Mat in the Sun			
	23	Run, Feet, Run	feet, fun, run	/r/ /ee/	
	24	Who Am I?	Nell, who, yes	/y/	who
SEVEN	25	Nell and Ed	did, Ed, let, well		
	26	Sis in the Well	need, she	/sh/	
	27	Ann is Sad	net, ran, sad, no		
	28	Ed and the Sheet	fill, sheet, shut		
EIGHT	29	Mat Did it	mud		
	30	The Shell	sand, sell, shell		
	31	Sell the Shell			
	32	The Hat	fish, hat, he	/h/	
NINE	33	Mat in the Hat			
	34	Mat and the Net	nut, rat, set		
	35	Mat the Rat			
	36	See Them	feel, not		
TEN	37	Mit is Wet	fat, if, wet		
	38	Will We Win?	fan, needs, sits, win		
	39	The Seed	fans, hand(s), hill, seed, weed		
	40	Mat and the Weed	fills, runs		
ELEVEN	41	Was It Wet?	met, hit(s), was, to		
	42	Fun With the Sheet			
	43	The Men	bad, him, men, be	/b/	
	44	The Bad Men			
TWELVE	45	Mat at Bat	bat, his, wish, ball		
	46	The Bat Rat			
	47	Mat is Wet	bell, but, has,		
	48	The Fun Fish			
THIRTEEN	49	The Bus	ant(s), Ben, bus, had		
	50	Ben the Ant			
	51	The Bee	bed, bee, Bill, hid		
	52	The Ant and the Bee			

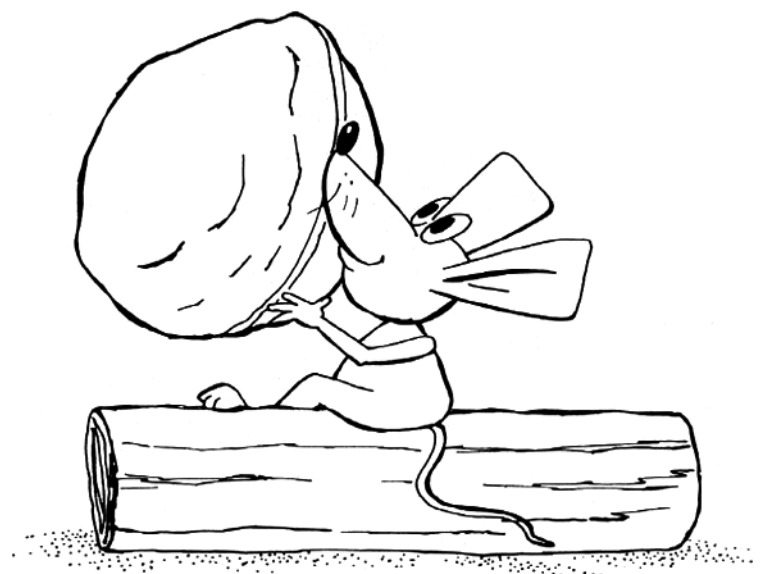


The nut is shut.

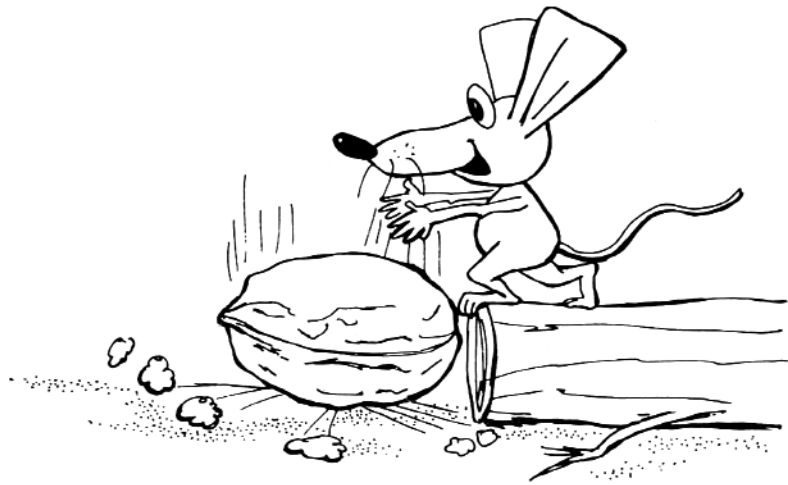
Sam runs.



“I will shut the rat in the nut.”



Mat is a rat.
He is Mat the Rat.
He runs with a nut.



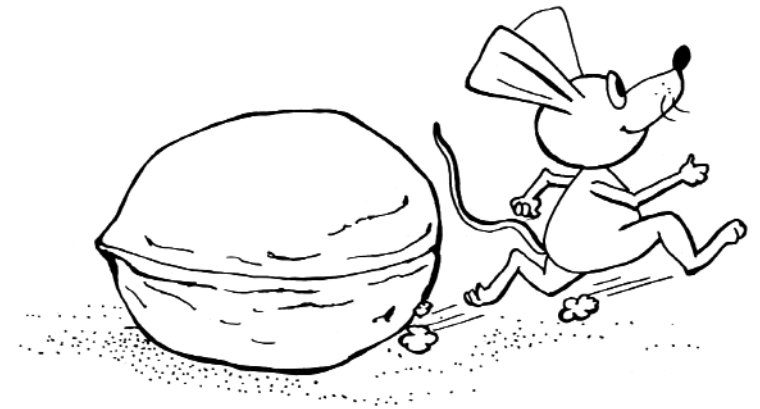
“I will set the nut on the sand.”



Sam sets the rat in the nut.



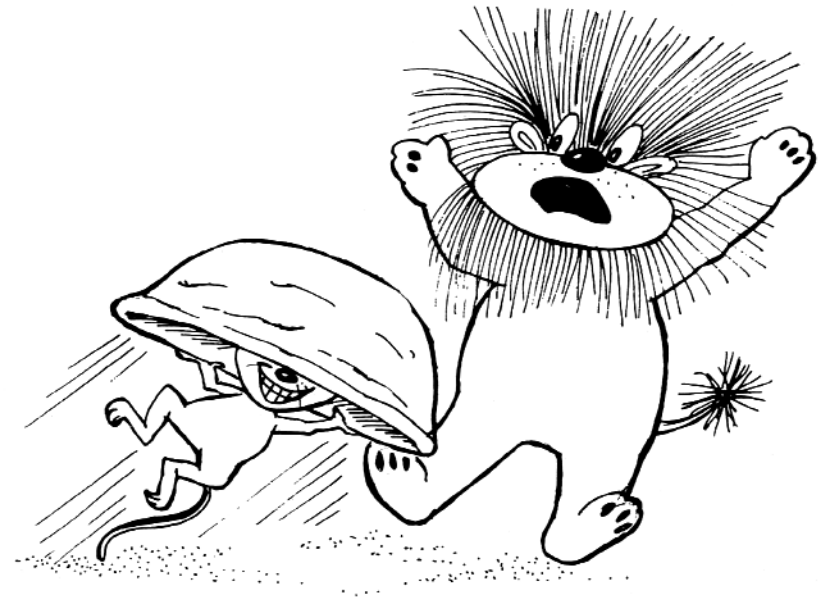
“I set the nut on me.
I am Mat the Rat.”



Mat set the nut on the sand.
Then he ran.



“What is in the nut?
I will see.”



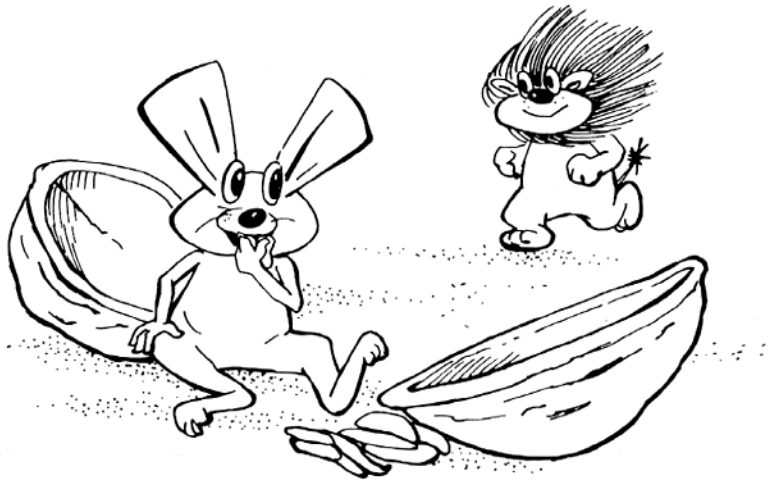
“What is that?”



“Who set this nut on the sand?”



“What fun!
I did well.”



Mat sees Sam.



Did Sam see the rat?
No. The rat is in the nut.