



## Book 49: The Bus

### New Words

ant(s), Ben, bus, had - Decodable

### Plot Summary

Sam has a new bus with a special bell on it. As he drives around, he hits the bell. Sis and Nan hear the bell and join Sam on his bus. When the bus almost hits an ant hill, all the ants are frightened away but one called Ben. Ben joins Sam and the other animals as they continue on their ride.

### Story Questions (Comprehension)

1. page 8: What does Nan do when she sits in the bus?
2. page 10: What did the bus almost hit?
3. page 11: What did the ants do when they saw the bus?
4. page 13: Where does Ben the Ant sit when he gets on the bus?

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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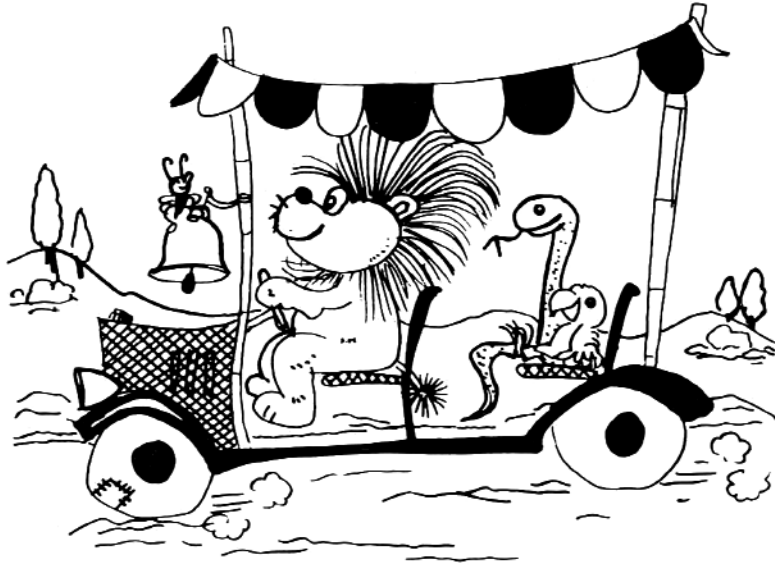
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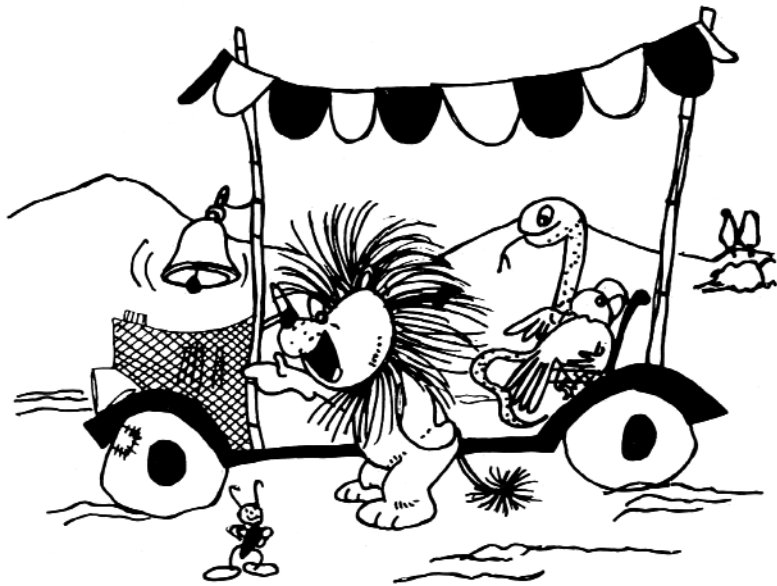
Sam, Sis, and Nan had fun  
in the bus.

Ben the Ant had fun with them.

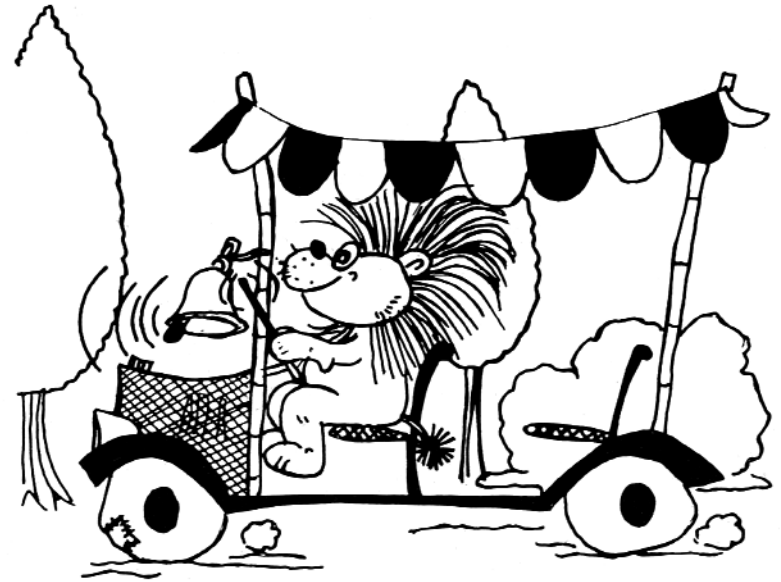
Level	Book	Title	New Words	New Sounds	Special Words
ONE	1	I See Sam	I, see, Sam	/a/ /s/ /m/	I, see
	2	Sam			
	3	See Sam	am		
	4	See Me	me		me
TWO	5	Mat	Mat	/t/	
	6	See Mat	Mit, Sis	/i/	
	7	Meet Mit	meet		meet
	8	See It	in, it	/n/	
THREE	9	Sit On It	sit, on	/o/	
	10	Sis	is		is
	11	Sam Sat	sat		
	12	It 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	/t/ /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			



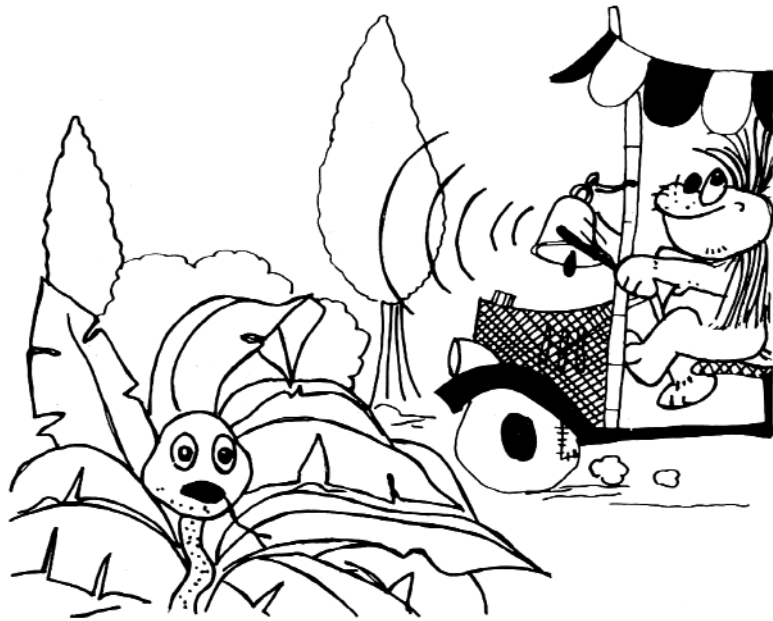
Then Ben the Ant sat in the bus.  
Ben sat on the bell.



“See Ben the ant!  
Sit with us in the bus, Ben.”



Sam had a bus.  
The bus had a bell,  
and Sam hit it.



“Was that a bell?  
Let me see.”



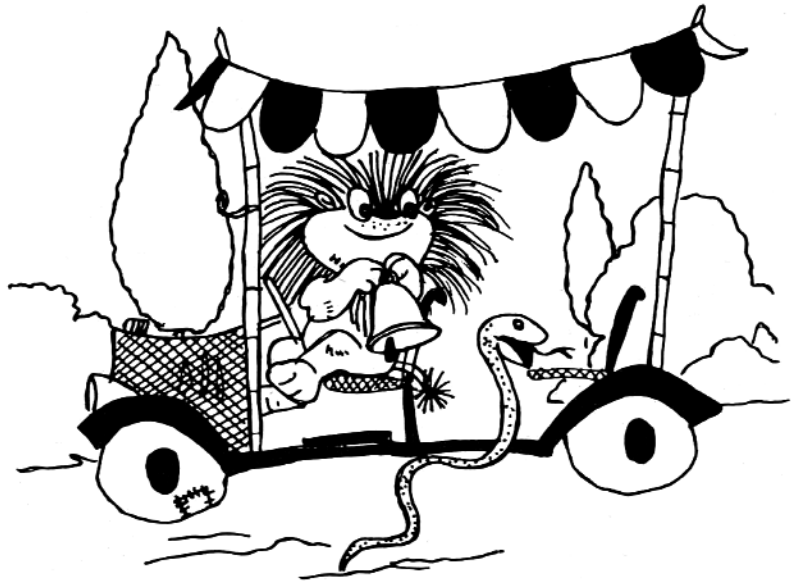
“We did not hit the ants.  
See them run.”



The bus did not hit the ants.



“It was a bell.  
The bus has a bell.”



“Sam! Sam!  
Let me sit in the bus!”



“Sam! Sam!  
See the ants!  
Will we hit the ants?”

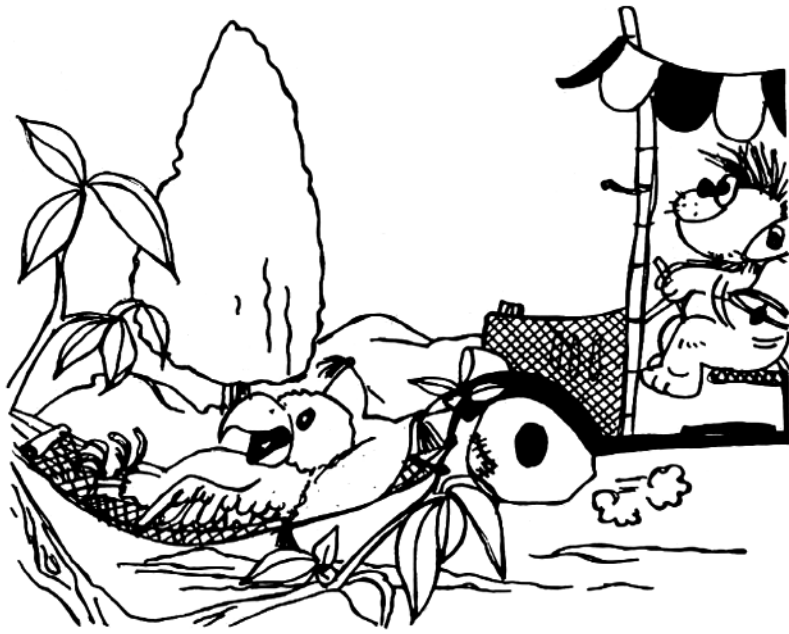




Nan had the bell.  
She hit it.



Sis sat in the bus.  
She had the bell.



“Was that a bell?  
Let me see!”



“Sit in the bus with us, Nan.”