



Book 60: Zip the Zebra (Text Level Code 89)

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New Sound

- /z/

New Words

- zebra, zip/zipper

Level 15 Review Words

can, back, up, jog, fast, jump, van, five, very

Plot Summary

At his fifth birthday party, Mat sees a zebra in a book and wishes to see a zebra. First, Mit dresses up as a zebra, but Mat wants to see a real zebra. Then Sam tries to get into a zebra suit, but it breaks because he is too fat. The friends then paint Sid the Horse with black and white stripes, but then it rains and the paint washes off. Mit notices a zebra in a van and sends Nat to get Mat. Mat gets a ride on Zip the zebra.

Story Questions (Comprehension)

1. page 1: It's Mat's birthday. How old is he?
2. page 6: Who dressed up in a zebra suit?
3. page 10: What happened to Sid's stripes?
4. page 11: Where did the animals first see Zip the Zebra?
5. page 13: How did Mat feel when he saw Zip?

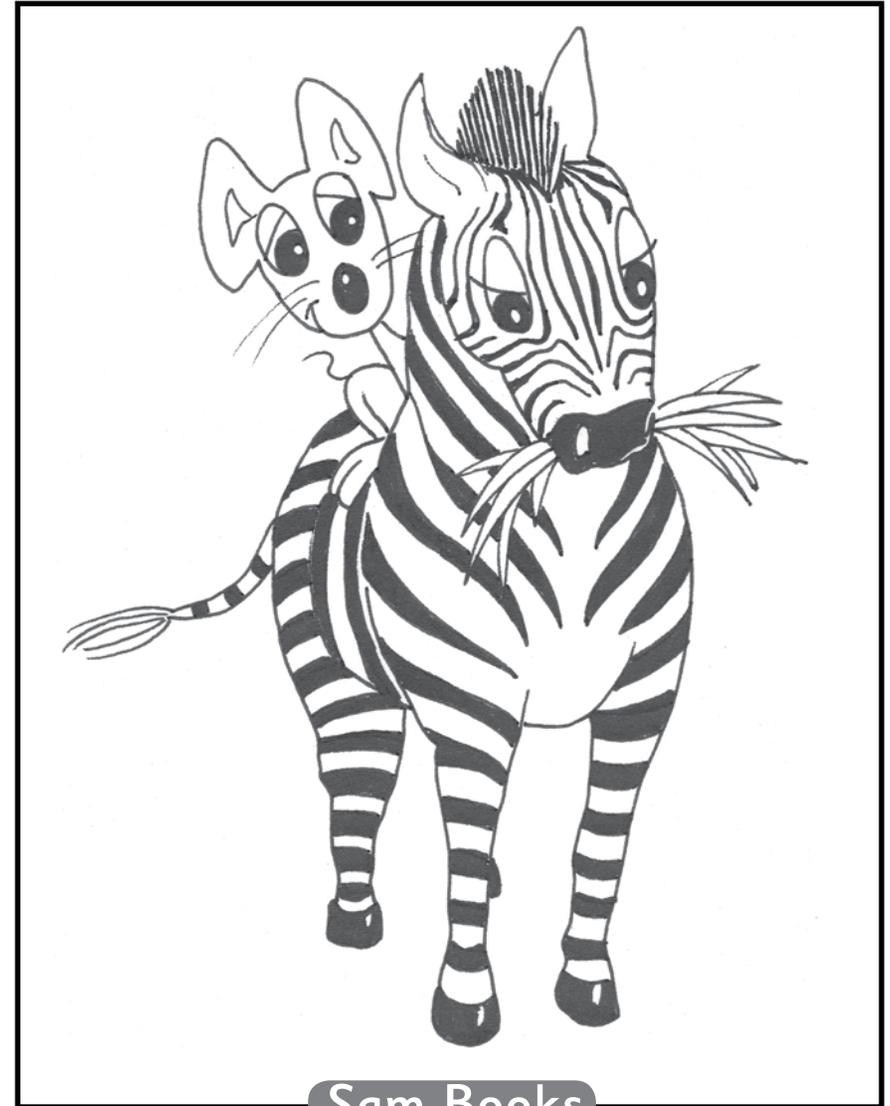
Each new word throughout the program is repeated at least five times in the book in which it first appears and five more times in the next ten books.

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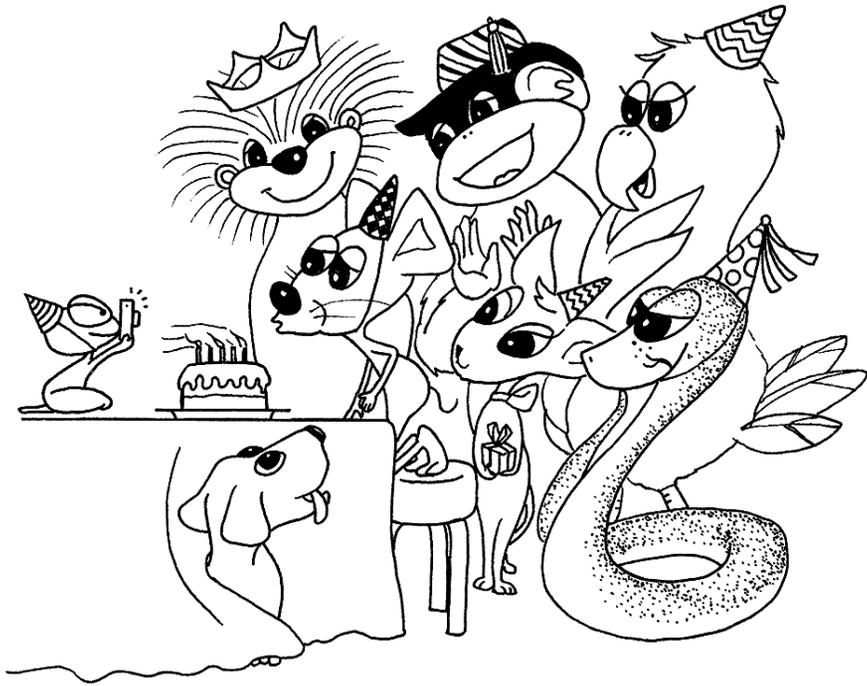
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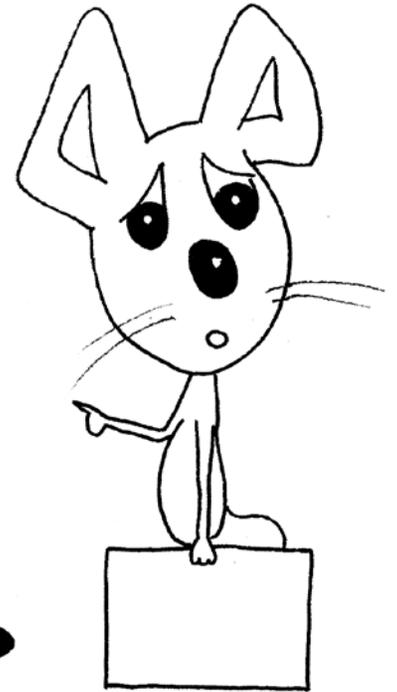
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“Mat is five. Mat will get a wish.
What is the wish, Mat?”

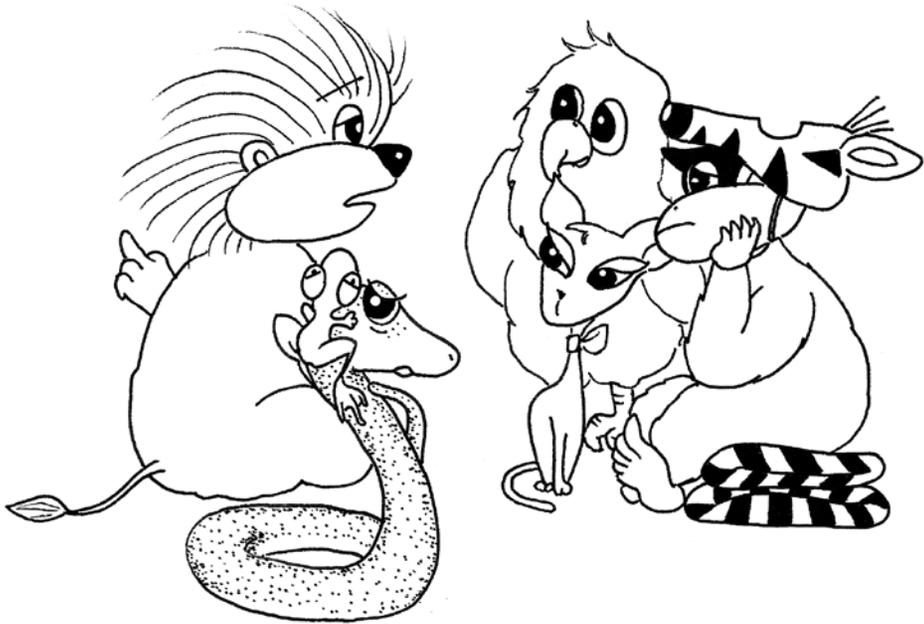


“I wish to see a zebra.
I wish to see a big zebra.”



“I am a zebra. See me run fast.”

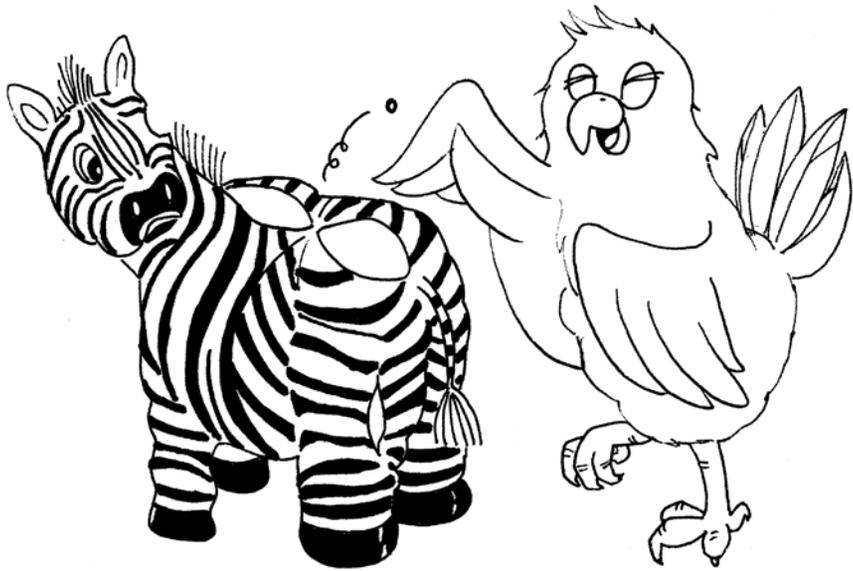
“No, that is Mit in a zebra mask.
Mit is not a zebra.”



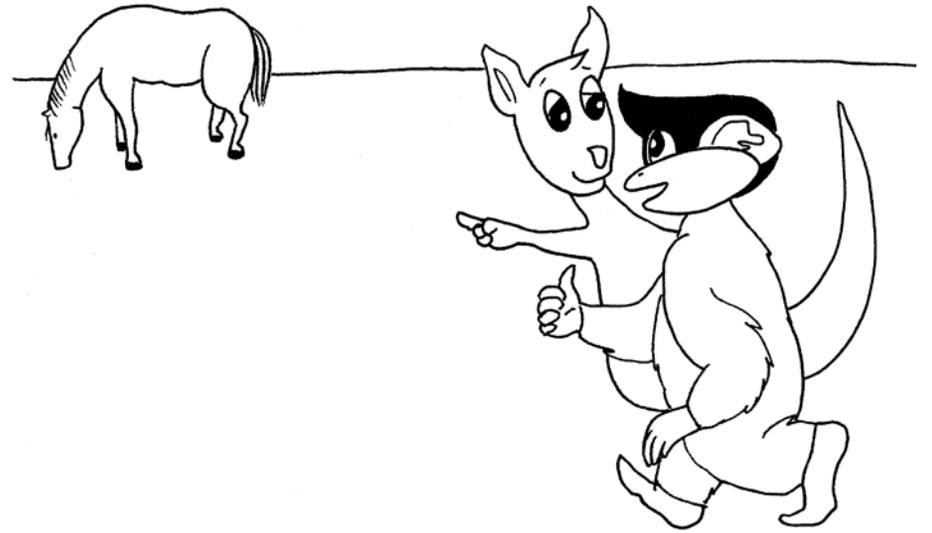
“Mat feels sad. We need to get a zebra”



“See this. Zip up the zipper.
I will be the zebra.”



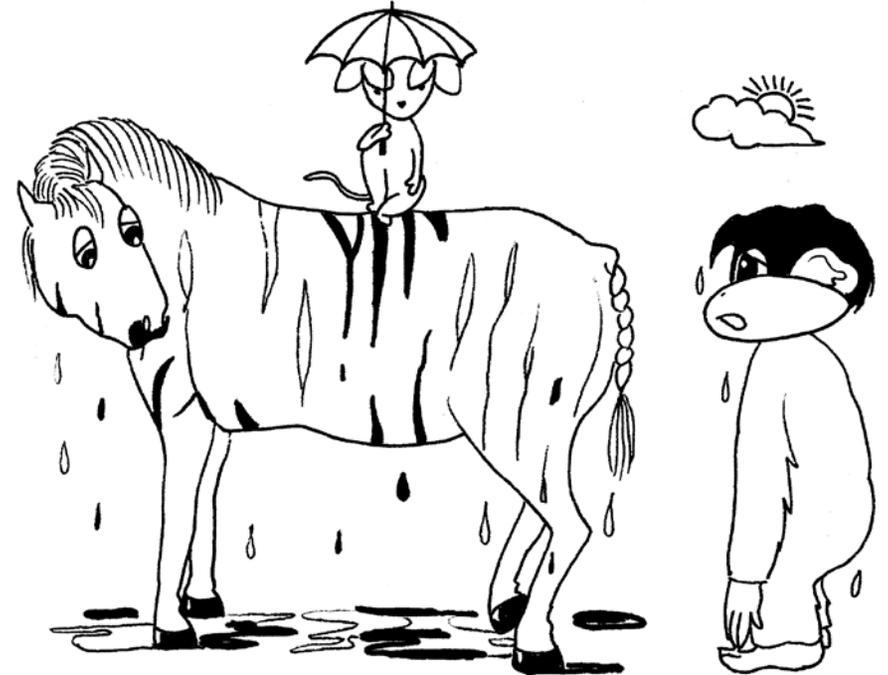
“No, Sam is fat. See the zipper.
I can see Sam’s back.”



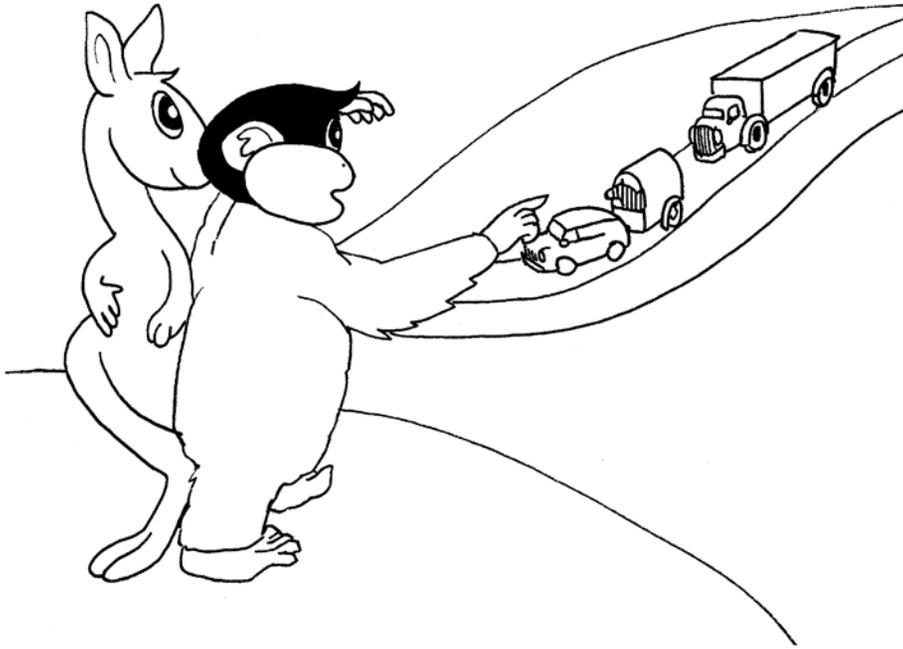
“I will jog to see Sid.
Sid can be a zebra.”



“Sid will be the zebra.
Mat will not feel sad.”



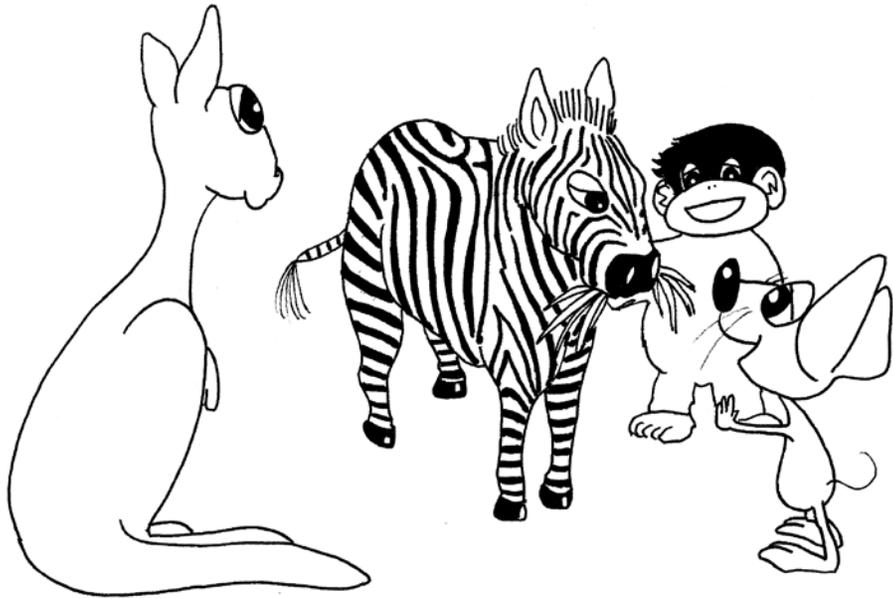
“No, Sid is wet. See it run.
Sid can not be the zebra.”



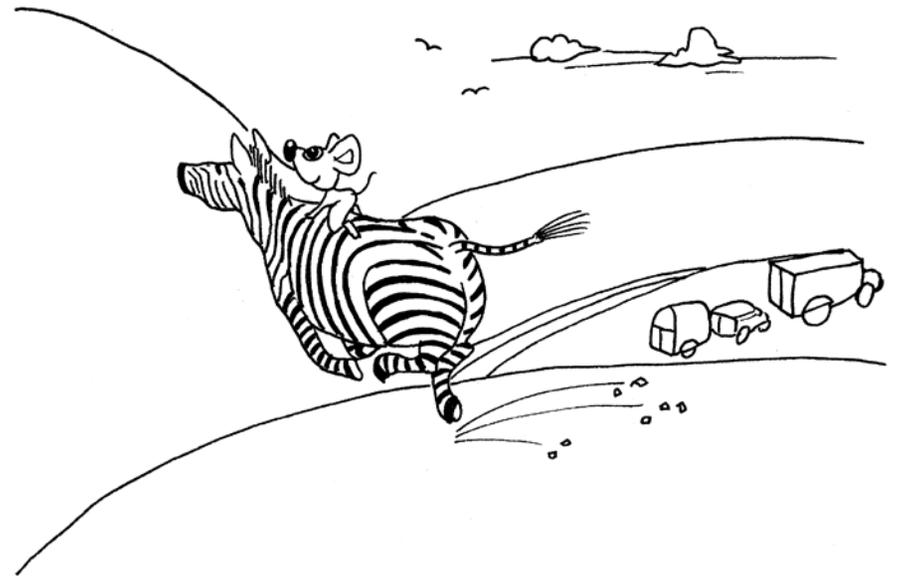
“See the vans on the hill.
I see a zebra in that van.
Nat, go and get Mat.”



Mat is on Nat's back.
Nat can hop very fast.



“Mat, meet Zip the Zebra.
Jump up on Zip’s back.”



Zip can run very fast.
Zip will run to the hill and back.
Mat did get his wish!