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Alphabetti box:

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(This book introduces the letter "I")

Words used in this book:

tim lot
tom leg
ten lip
cat on
mat am
not up

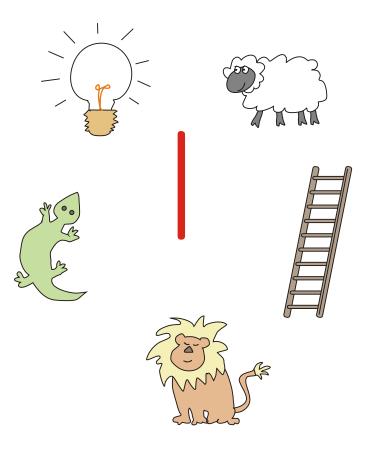
Letters learned in the first series:

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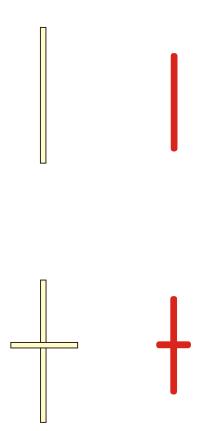
Letters learned in the second series:

s m n h c u e

This is the letter "I." The letter "I" says "-I-" as in light, lamb, ladder, lion and lizard.



The letter "I" looks a lot like the letter "t," except that it doesn't have a little stick in the middle.



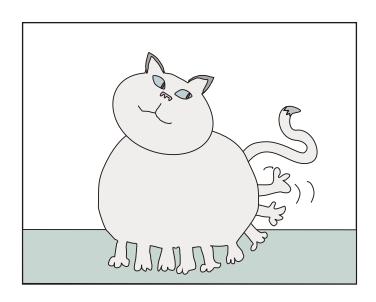
We need only one hand to make the letter "I":



And what does the letter "I" say? (Have the child make the letter "I" sound several times.)

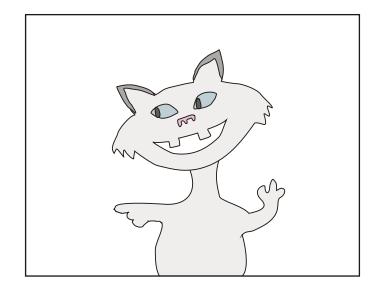
There are three words in this book that use the letter "I" — can you read them?

lot leg lip



One morning, after counting his feet, tom says,

"tim, do I have a lot of feet?"

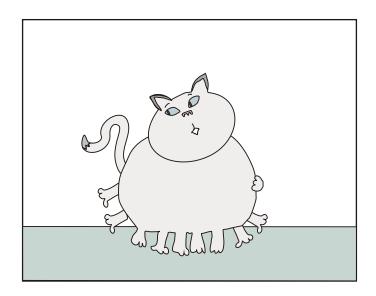


"Yes," says tim,

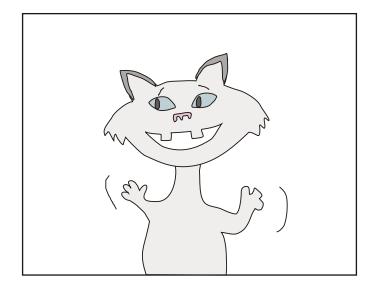
"you have a lot of

feet — ten is a lot

of feet."

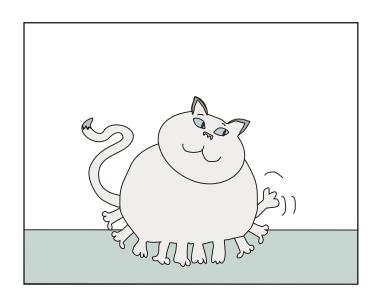


"Well, I like having a of of feet," says tom. "I don't know what I would do if some of them ran away."



"Silly cat," says tim,

"feet don't run away."



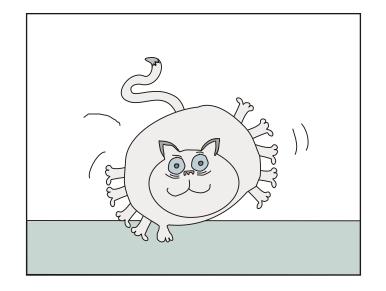
*Oh, yes, they do," says

tom. "Feet run away

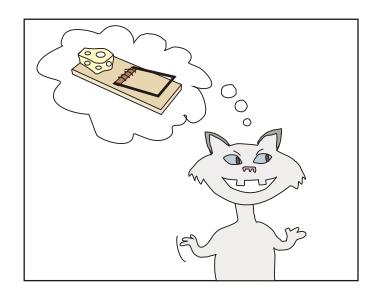
all the time. And if my

feet ever run away, I need

to be ready."



"That is why I practice standing ON one eg, and why I sleep with my eyes wide open."

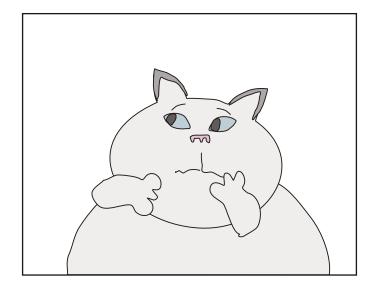


"Silly cat," says tim,

"why don't you get a

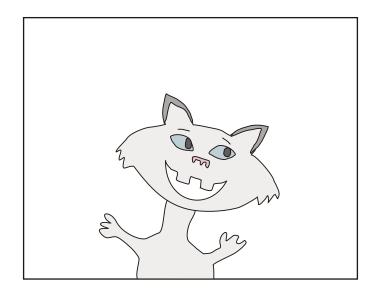
mouse trap to catch your

feet if they run away?"



"Ouch!" says tom,
touching his ip.

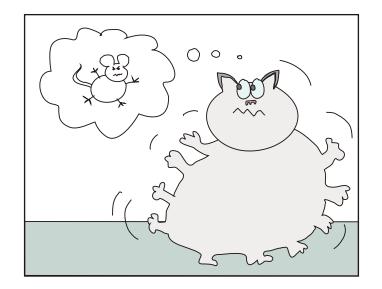
"A mouth trap would
hurt my ip."



tim shakes his head.
"I did not say

mouth trap. I said

MOUSE trap."

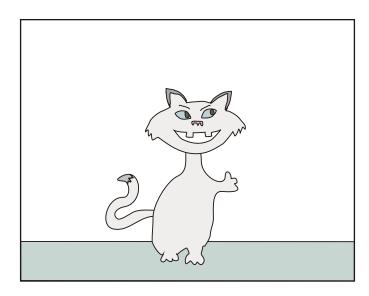


"Eeeeek!" says tom.

"I do not want a mouse

trap. You know I am

scared of mice."



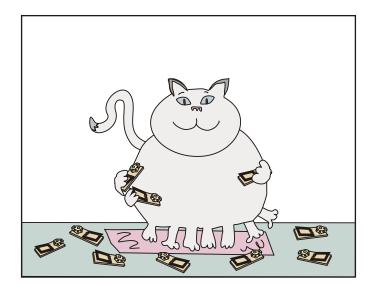
"Silly cat," says tim,

"a mouse trap is something

that catches mice. Your

feet look a ot like tiny,

little mice, you know."

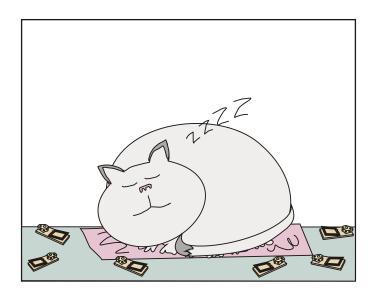


That night, tom puts

ten mouse traps all

around his sleeping

mat.

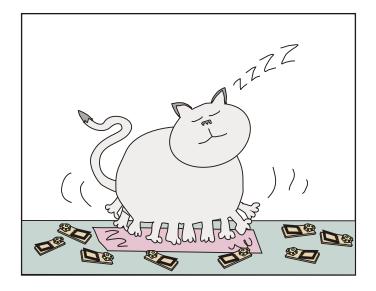


Then tom curls his

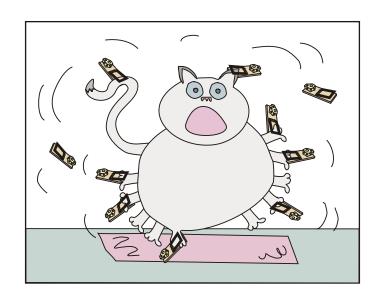
tail around his toes —

he has a ot of toes —

and goes to sleep.



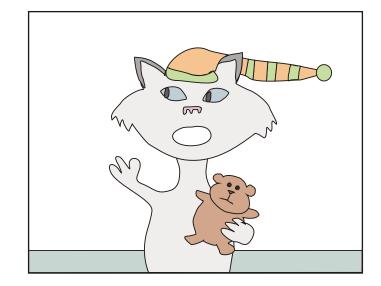
Two hours later, tom
stands UP and, still
snoring, starts to
sleepwalk.



Snap, snap, snap!

tom walks through the ten mouse traps.

"Ouch! Ouch! Ouch!"



tim hears the noise

and runs into the room.

"What happened?"

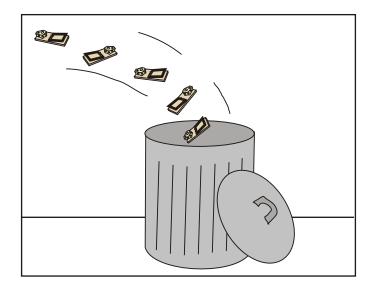


"My feet tried to run

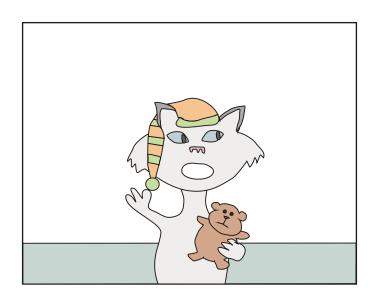
away," says tom, "but

the traps caught them.

Ouch!"



traps and throws them away.

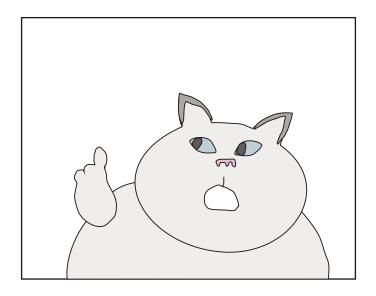


"What are you doing?"

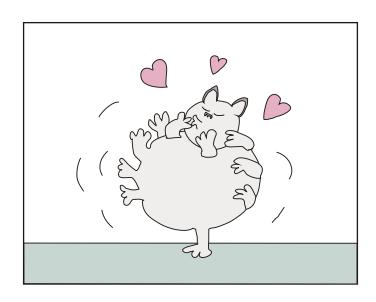
asks tim. "What if

your feet try to run

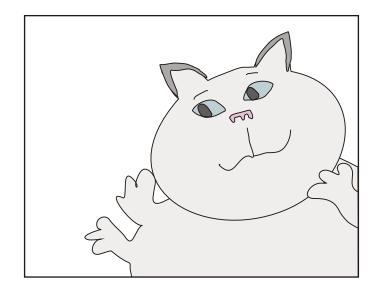
away again?"



"I do not need traps,"
says tom. "I learned
something tonight."







"And when they want to

run away, they take me

with them. Goodnight,

you wonderful, lovely feet."

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