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A Progressive Phonics book
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Alphabetti box:

tlIfrvwyxkzją

(This book introduces the letter "y")

Words used in this book:

tim leq a m a t not y e s bad yet o n tom can biq but cat fun did mat him nap up van U S

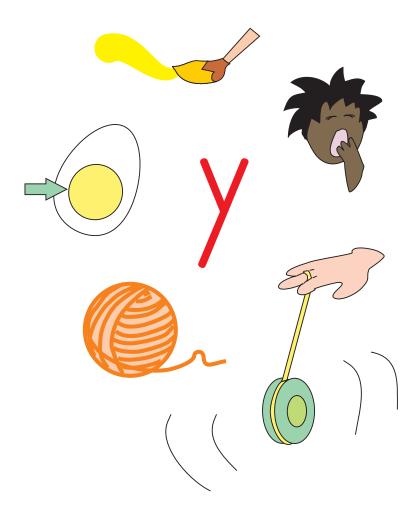
Letters learned in the first series:

dogbaip

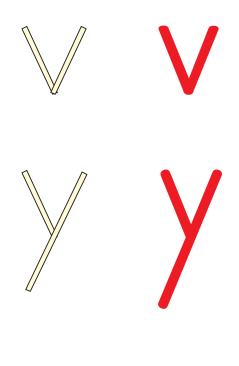
Letters learned in the second series:

s m n h c u e

This is the letter 'y.' The letter 'y' says '-yuh-' like in yellow, yawn, yo-yo, yarn and yolk.

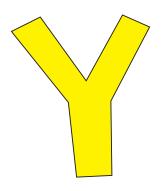


The letter 'y' looks a lot like the letter 'v,' except that the letter 'y' has a long tail.



The letter 'y' is the only letter in our alphabet whose name has NOTHING to do with the shape of the letter or the sound that the letter makes.

One way to remember this letter is to think of it as the YELLOW letter:

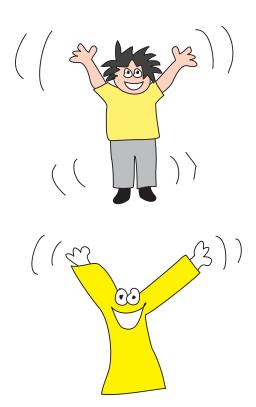


And while we could make the letter with our hands, it is more fun to make the letter 'y' with our whole body.

Stand up tall and put your arms in the air.



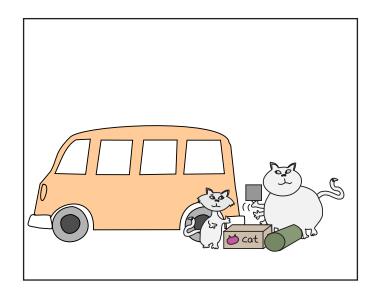
And now, wave your arms in the air and say after me, "Why, oh, why, do they call me 'Y', when what I say is 'yie, yie, yie'?"



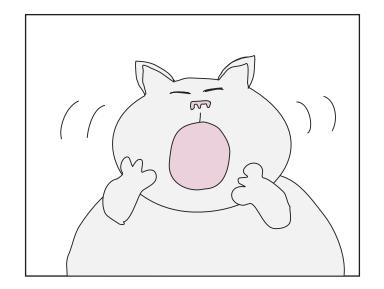
Note: 'Yie, yie, yie' is a nonsense word, used to demonstrate the sort of sound that the letter 'y' makes.

There are two words in this book that use the letter 'y.' Can you read them?

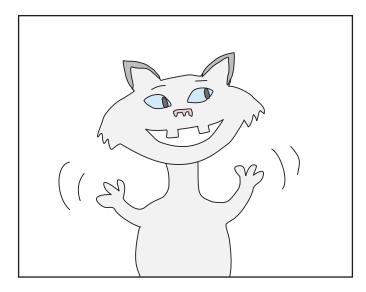
yes yet



tim and tom are
going camping. They put
a tent, a sleeping mat
and a box of cat food
in the van.



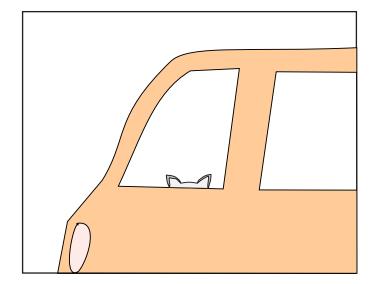
tom yawns. "Carrying all that stuff made me sleepy. tim, can you drive so that I can take a nap?"



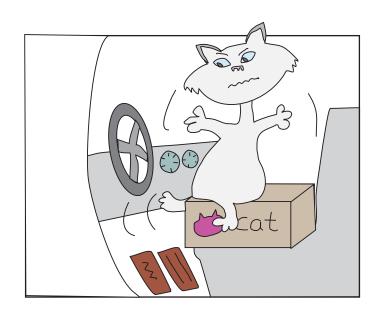
tim has always wanted to drive, so he says,

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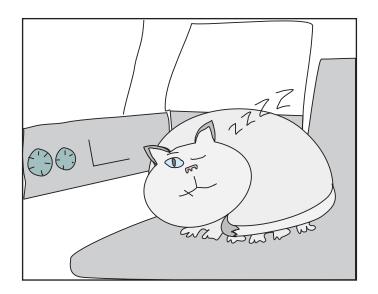
Have a nice nap."



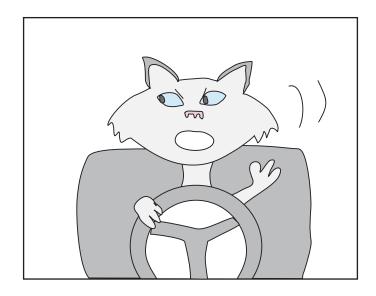
tom goes to sleep,
and tim climbs into
the driver's seat. Uh,
oh, tim is too short.



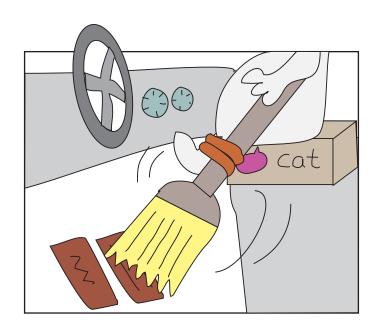
tim grabs the box of
cat food and sits on
it. Now he can see,
but his feet can't
reach the foot pedals.



tom opens one eye
and asks, "Are we there
yet?"



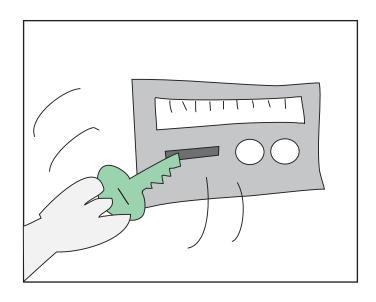
"not yet," says
tim. "Go back to
sleep. We will be there
soon, oh, yes, we
will."



tim ties a broom to his

leg so that he can

reach the foot pedals.

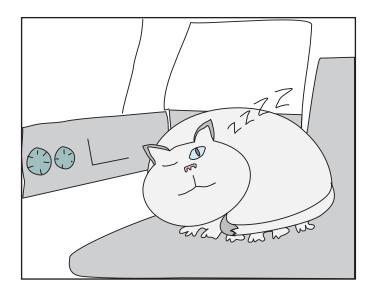


Then tim puts the key

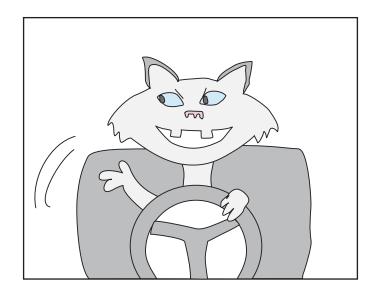
in the radio. He wiggles

and jiggles the key, but

the Van doesn't start.



tom opens the other eye. "Are we there yet?"

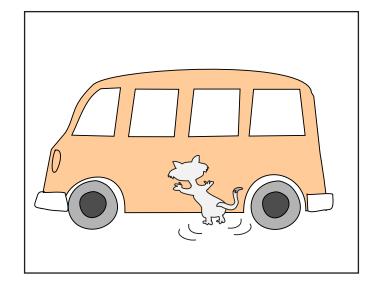


"not yet," says
tim with a big

smile. "Go back to sleep.

We will be there soon,

oh, yes, we will."

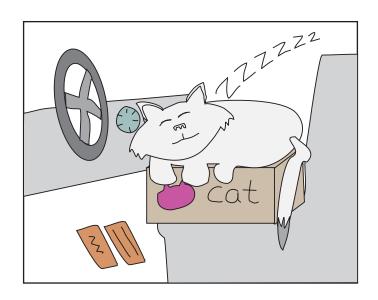


Van and starts to

push. He pushes and

pulls, but the van

doesn't move.

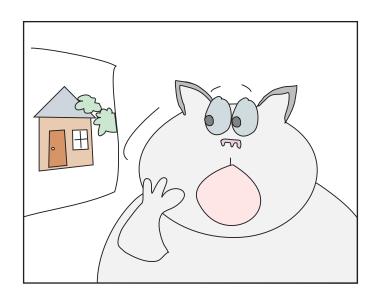


Trying to push a Van
is hard work, oh, yes,
it is, so tim crawls
back inside the Van to
take a Nap.

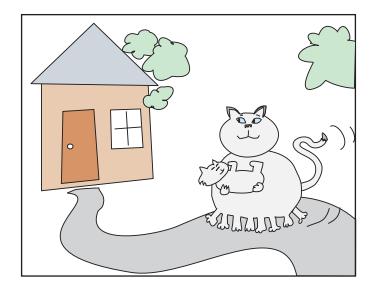
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rubs his eyes. "Are we there yet?"



Then tom sees they are parked outside their house. "What?!" says tom. "What are we doing at home?"

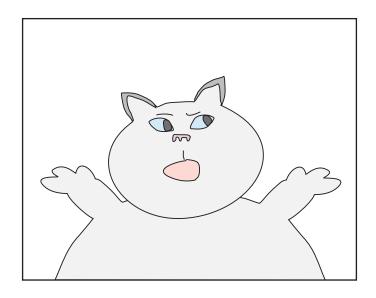


tim just snores, so

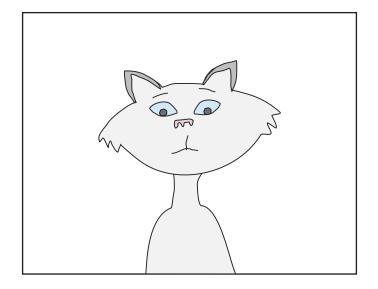
tom picks him up

and carries him into

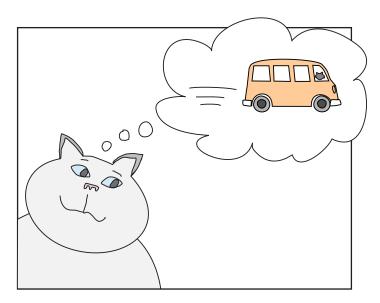
the house.



The next day, tom
says, "Next time we go
camping, I am
going to drive."



tim looks down at
his feet. He doesn't want
to hear what a bad
driver he is.

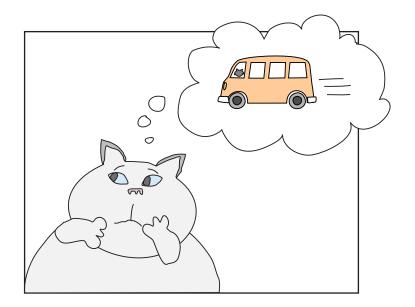


but that is not what tom says.

Instead, tom says,

"You drove US all

the way there..."

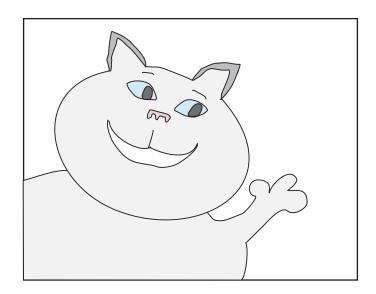


"...and all the way back,

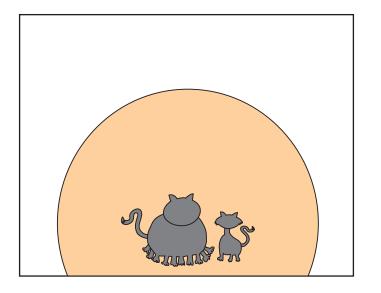
and I did not

help you light the camp

fire or anything."



fom smiles. "Camping
is fun, oh, yes,
it is..."



"...but next time, I want to be awake so that I can share the fun with you."

THE END