



BOOK	TITLE	PHONICS FOCUS	TEACHING POINTS
1	<i>The Bike Thief</i>	Trigraphs: <i>tch</i> and <i>dge</i>	Decoding/Encoding: End of Syllable /ch/ - <i>tch</i> and Soft /g/
2	<i>Grandpa's Magic Hat</i>	Long VCC Words: <i>ild, ind, old, olt,</i> and <i>ost</i>	Decoding: Closed Syllables
3	<i>Sea Slugs</i>	Long e Vowel Teams: <i>ee, ea,</i> and <i>ey</i>	Decoding: Using Syllable Types and Syllable Division Rules
4	<i>A Dog of His Own</i>	Long a Vowel Teams: <i>ai</i> and <i>ay</i>	Determining Meaning Using Suffix - <i>er</i>
5	<i>The Football Ballet</i>	Vowel Teams: <i>oo</i> (as in <i>cool</i> ) and <i>oo</i> (as in <i>look</i> )	Decoding: Continuous Blending Phonemes
6	<i>Little Yin and the Moon</i>	Long o Vowel Teams: <i>oa, ow,</i> and <i>oe</i>	Decoding/Encoding: Voiced and Unvoiced - <i>ed</i> /d/, /t/, /ə/-/d
7	<i>A Shot at Glory</i>	Vowel-r Combinations: <i>ar</i> and <i>or</i>	Decoding: Using Word Parts
8	<i>What's So Funny?</i>	Vowel-r Combinations: <i>er, ir, ur,</i> and <i>or</i> (as in /er/)	Decoding: Alternative Sound - <i>or</i> (w + <i>or</i> or <i>or</i> at the end of a word)
9	<i>Are You My Mother?</i>	Vowel-r Combinations: <i>ar, er, ir, or,</i> and <i>ur</i>	Determining Meaning Using Prefix <i>re-</i> and Suffix - <i>ed</i>
10	<i>Snowshoe Hare's Winter Home</i>	Long i Vowel Teams: <i>igh</i> and <i>ie</i>	Determining Meaning Using Suffix - <i>ly</i>
11	<i>Holly Wakes Early</i>	Long e: <i>y</i> (as in <i>baby</i> ) Long i: <i>y</i> (as in <i>sky</i> )	Change <i>y</i> to <i>i</i> Before Adding Ending
12	<i>Ned the Knock-Kneed Knight</i>	Initial Digraphs: <i>kn</i> and <i>wr</i> Final Digraph: <i>mb</i>	Decoding: Continuous Blending Phonemes (including <i>kn, wr, mb</i> )
13	<i>Three Wishes</i>	Diphthong Vowel Teams: <i>ou</i> and <i>ow</i>	Decoding: Using Syllable Types (open syllable/vowel team syllable)
14	<i>Are You a Pack Rat?</i>	Vowel Teams: <i>ue</i> and <i>ui</i> Diphthong Vowel Team: <i>ew</i>	Decoding: Compound Words and Determining Meaning
15	<i>Manners Matter</i>	Diphthong Vowel Teams: <i>au, augh,</i> and <i>aw</i>	Adding Suffix - <i>es</i> to a Word Ending with a Digraph Changes the Meaning (nouns, verbs)
16	<i>Plants in the Desert</i>	Diphthong Vowel Teams: <i>oi</i> and <i>oy</i>	Decoding: Syllable Types and Syllable Division Rules (open syllable/vowel team syllable)
17	<i>The Stolen Smell</i>	Vowel Team: <i>ea</i> (as in <i>bread</i> )	Decoding: Alternative Spelling Sounds ( <i>ea</i> )
18	<i>The Great Bayou Flying Race</i>	Vowel Teams and Diphthong Vowel Teams Review	Decoding: Using Word Parts

Note: Orbiting was designed for upper-level students still developing their phonics knowledge. This set of advanced decodable books revisits previously taught phonics skills from other Phonic Launch Sets.