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“Ben's Loose Tooth”

Reading Aloud



When you read a story aloud, you'll want to sound your very best. Here are three skills to focus on when you read.

- **Reading Accurately**
Be sure you read and pronounce words correctly.
- **Comfortable Speed**
Try to read at a speed that's easy to listen to and understand. Don't read too fast or too slow.
- **Expression**
Try not to read in a robotic, monotone voice. Vary the pitch, volume, and tone of your voice.

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How Did You Do?

Have your listener give you a score. He or she should rate each item on a scale of 1 to 5.

1 = Keep working on it.

3 = Not bad.

5 = You sounded amazing!

_____ **Accuracy.** Most words were read and pronounced properly.

_____ **Speed.** Words were read at a reasonable speed.

_____ **Expression.** Pitch, volume, and tone sounded appropriate.

Ben's Loose Tooth

by Donna Latham

"I'm *always* last," Ben sighed. "Last to learn to whistle. Last to lose a tooth."

Ben's older sister, Kate, was always bossy. "Jiggle your teeth," she said. "Find one that's wiggly and wobbly."



Tooth by tooth, Ben giggled. He wiggled the last tooth. "It's

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Ben scrunched his lips together.

"Perfect." Kate smiled. "Now, shoot the air out. Hard."

With all his might, Ben blasted air. Out burst a high note—with his tooth!