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A whimsical illustration of a forest scene. In the foreground, there is a green grassy field with several small, colorful flowers in blue, purple, orange, and green. A large, red mushroom with white spots is the central focus, with a smaller purple mushroom and a green one nearby. Three butterflies are depicted: a large green one in the upper left, a blue one in the upper right, and a smaller blue one in the lower right. The background is a soft, light blue sky.

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## The National Anthem of Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka Matha

Apa Sri Lanka Namō Namō Namō Namō Matha

Sundara siri barinee, surendi athi sobamana Lanka

Dhanya dhanaya neka mal palaturu piri jaya bhoomiya ramya

Apa hata sepa siri setha sadana jeewanaye matha

Piliganu mena apa bhakthi pooja Namō Namō Matha

Apa Sri Lanka Namō Namō Namō Namō Matha

Oba we apa vidya

Obamaya apa sathya

Oba we apa shakthi

Apa hada thula bhakthi

Oba apa aloke

Apaga anuprane

Oba apa jeevana we

Apa mukthiya oba we

Nava jeevana demine, nithina apa pubudukaran matha

Gnana veerya vadawamina regena yanu mana jaya bhoomi kara

Eka mavakage daru kela bevina

Yamu yamu vee nopama

Prema vada sema bheda durerada

Namō, Namō Matha

Apa Sri Lanka Namō Namō Namō Namō Matha

ஈபி வெலு பிக மவகனெ டுர்லே  
பிக நிவசெகி வெசென  
பிக பாவகி பிக ருடிரசு வே  
ஈப கச துல டுலன

பிபிபிபி ஈபி வெலு கெயுர் கெயுர்யே  
பிக ரெச பிகி வகென  
பீவந் வன ஈப மெம நிவசே  
கெடிக கிபிய யுரு வே

காமப ம மெந் கர்ணா குணே  
வெலே கமகி டுமிகி  
ரந் மிகி மரு நெ வ பிய ம ய கர்பன  
கிகி கர நெம டுரன

ஈபந் டு கமரகேந்

ஒரு தாய் மக்கள் நாமாவோம்  
ஒன்றே நாம் வாழும் இல்லம்  
நன்றே ஁டலில் ஁டும்  
ஒன்றே நம் குருதி நிறம்

அதனால் சகோதரர் நாமாவோம்  
ஒன்றாய் வாழும் வளரும் நாம்  
நன்றாய் இவ் இல்லினிலே  
நலமே வாழ்தல் வேண்டுமன்றோ

யாவரும் அன்பு கருணையுடன்  
ஒற்றுமை சிறக்க வாழ்ந்திடுதல்  
பொன்னும் மணியும் முத்துமல்ல - அதுவே  
யான்று மழியாச் செல்வமன்றோ.

ஆனந்த சமரக்கோன்  
கவிதையின் பெயர்ப்பு.



Being innovative, changing with right knowledge  
Be a light to the country as well as to the world.

### Message from the Hon. Minister of Education

The past two decades have been significant in the world history due to changes that took place in technology. The present students face a lot of new challenges along with the rapid development of Information Technology, communication and other related fields. The manner of career opportunities are liable to change specifically in the near future. In such an environment, with a new technological and intellectual society, thousands of innovative career opportunities would be created. To win those challenges, it is the responsibility of the Sri Lankan Government and myself, as the Minister of Education, to empower you all.

This book is a product of free education. Your aim must be to use this book properly and acquire the necessary knowledge out of it. The government in turn is able to provide free textbooks to you, as a result of the commitment and labour of your parents and elders.

Since we have understood that the education is crucial in deciding the future of a country, the government has taken steps to change curriculum to suit the rapid changes of the technological world. Hence, you have to dedicate yourselves to become productive citizens. I believe that the knowledge this book provides will suffice your aim.

It is your duty to give a proper value to the money spent by the government on your education. Also you should understand that education determines your future. Make sure that you reach the optimum social stratum through education.

I congratulate you to enjoy the benefits of free education and bloom as an honoured citizen who takes the name of Sri Lanka to the world.

**Akila Viraj Kariyawasam**  
**Minister of Education**



## Foreword

You are born in a country, which is renowned as the Pearl of the Indian Ocean. Even though your country appeared to be small when compared to other countries, its worth is incomparable. You who are born in such a treasured and estimable country are truly fortunate. It is our sole expectation that as students, you would enlighten the future world by educating yourselves well and by becoming virtuous citizens. In order to help realize that expectation, the government takes all necessary measures to provide all the facilities free of charge. This textbook is offered to you as one step of that process.

According to the primary curriculum, new textbooks for grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 have already been introduced. Following the introduction of new textbooks for grade 5 in 2020, the revision of the primary curriculum will be concluded. There are about 30 textbooks offered by the government to students studying in grades 1 to 5. It's your responsibility to strive towards enlightening your life through the usage of this treasure.

I would like to bestow my sincere thanks on the members of the editorial and writer boards as well as on the staff of the Educational Publications Department who have strived to offer this textbook to you.

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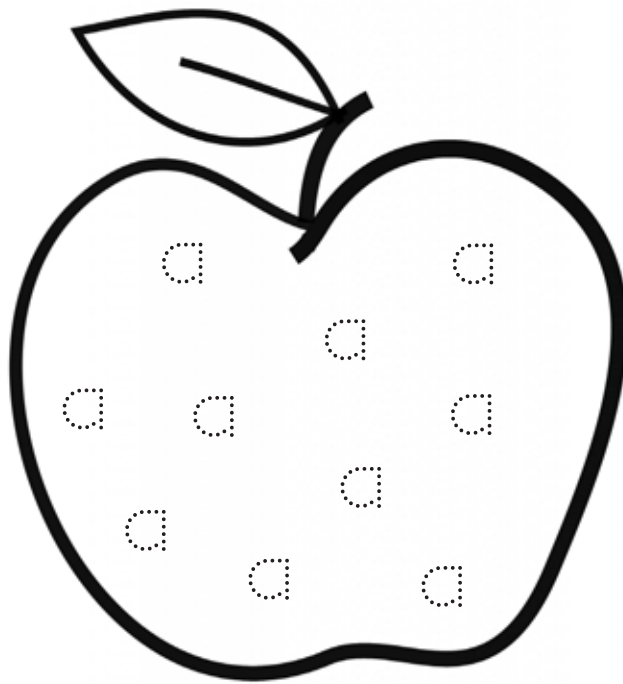
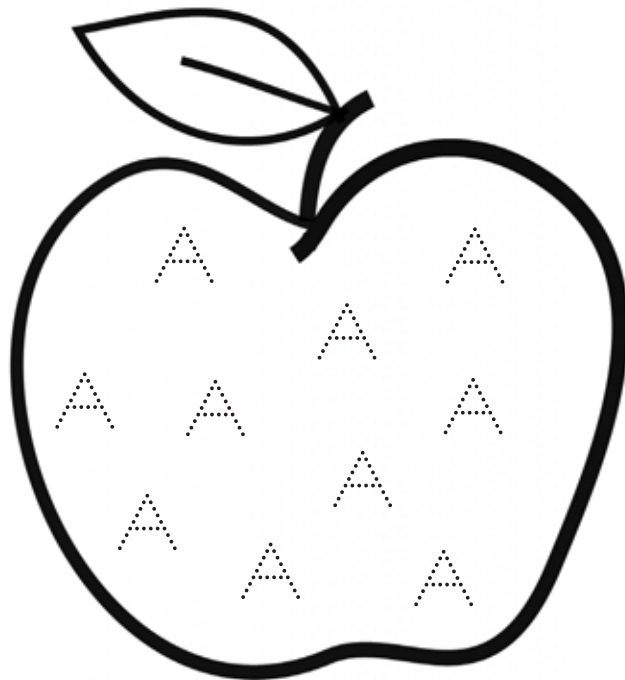
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Trace and colour.



Write 'A' and 'a'.



A a

Tracing practice lines for uppercase 'A' and lowercase 'a' on a three-line grid. The first row shows the letters 'A' and 'a' on the top line, with a dashed middle line and a solid bottom line. Below this are two more identical sets of three-line grids for practice.

Write 'A' and 'a' in the boxes.

A	a						

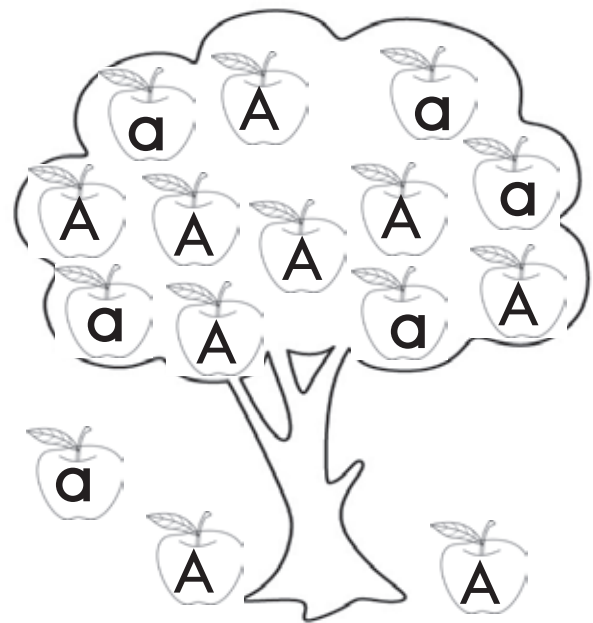
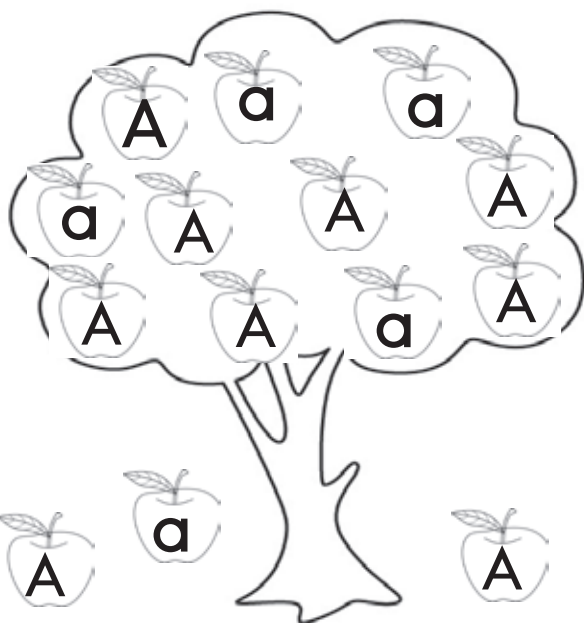
Handwriting practice boxes for uppercase 'A' and lowercase 'a'. The first row contains the letters 'A' and 'a' in the first two boxes, followed by six empty boxes. The second and third rows contain eight empty boxes each, for independent practice.



Read aloud. Write the first letter.



Colour 'A's in red, 'a's in green.





# My picture dictionary

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Paste/draw a picture.



apple



Look and say.

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Bb



butterfly



bell



box



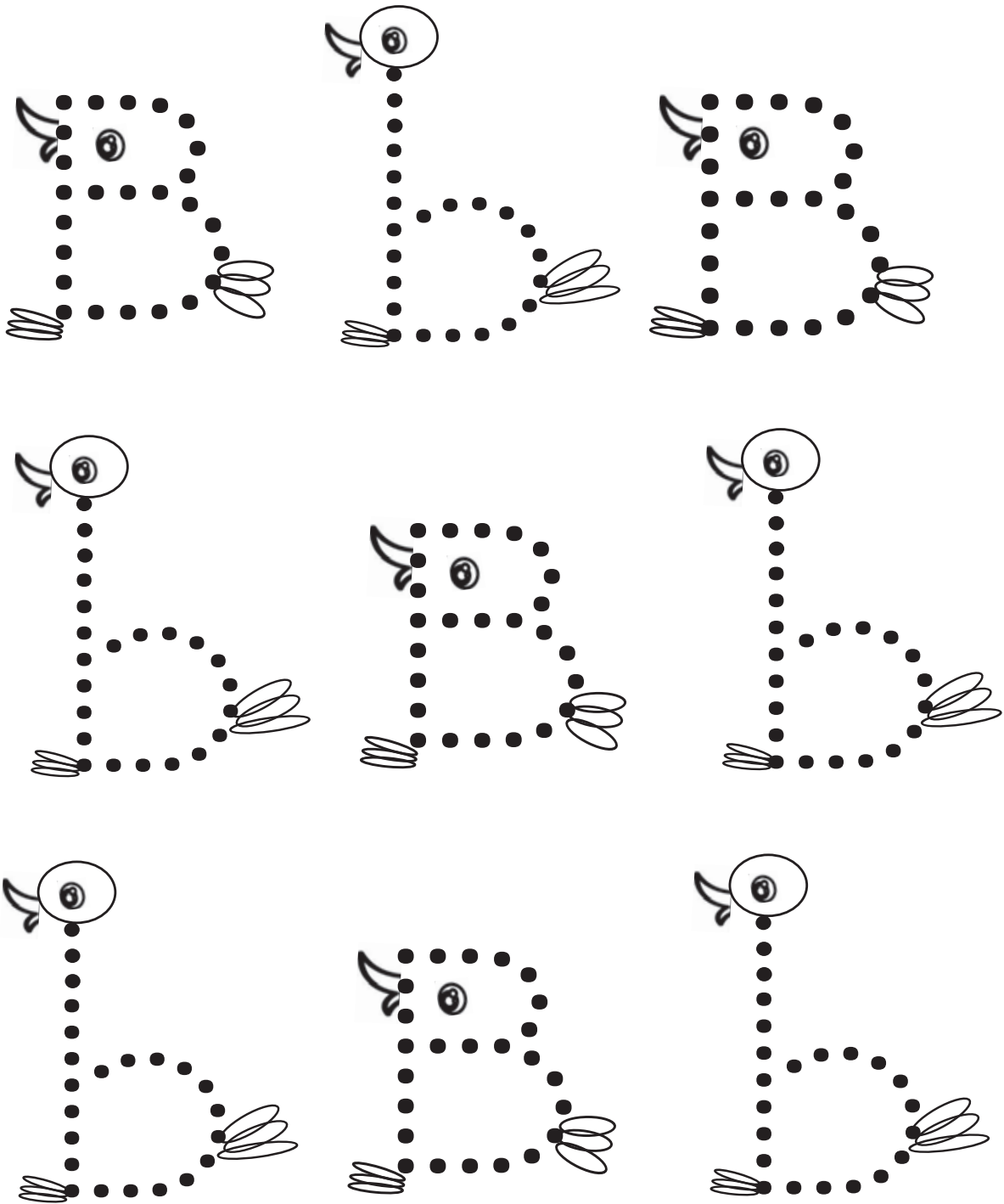
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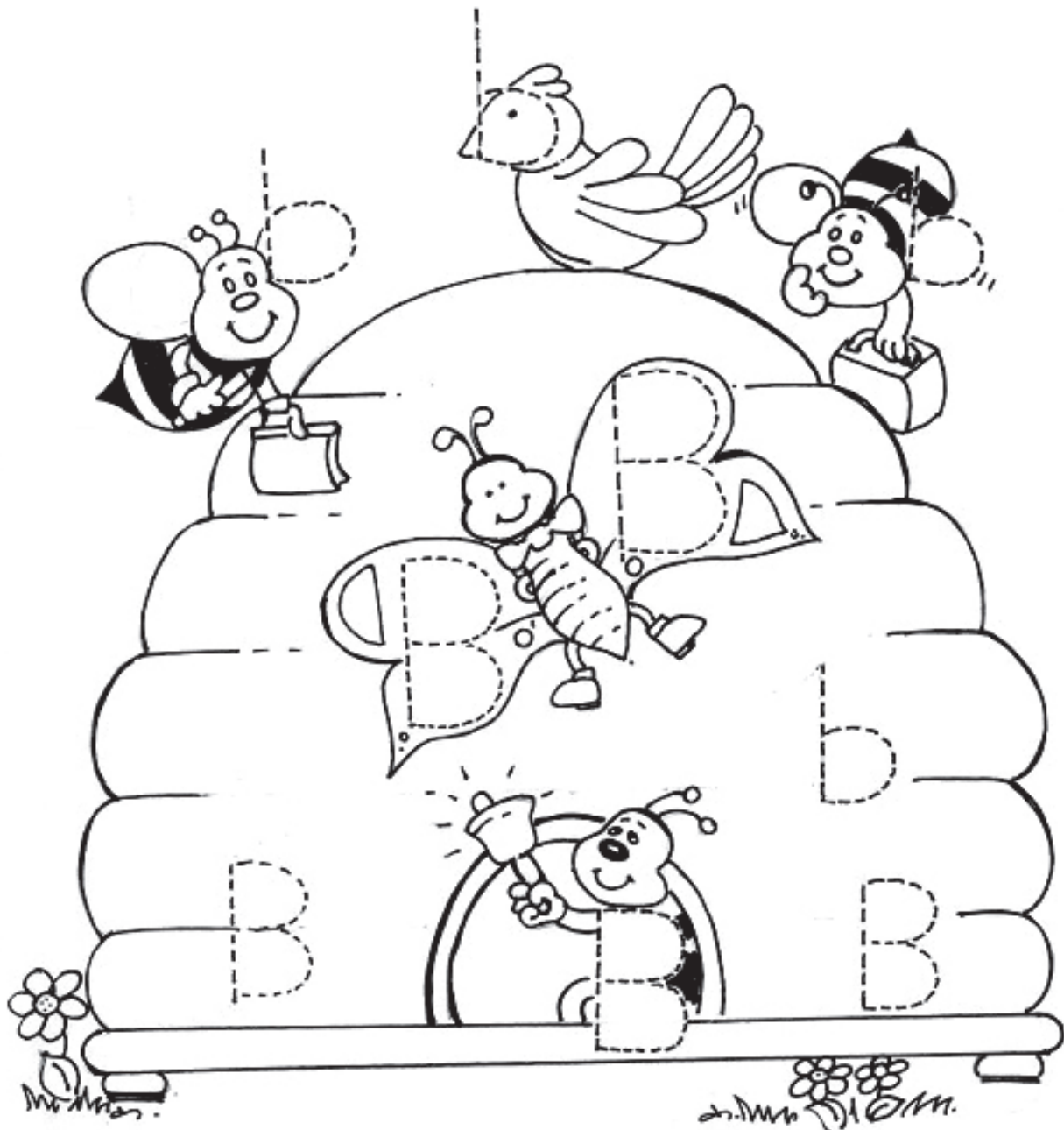
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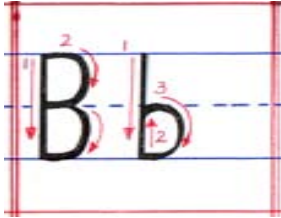
# Trace the letter.



Trace the hidden letter and colour the picture.



Write 'B' and 'b'.



B b

Tracing practice lines for uppercase B and lowercase b, consisting of four horizontal lines (top, dashed midline, baseline, and descender line) repeated twice.

Write 'B' and 'b' in the boxes.

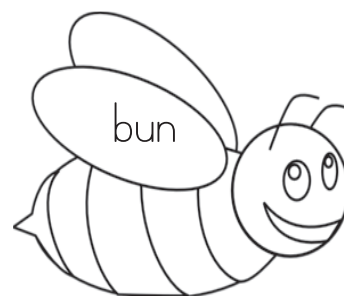
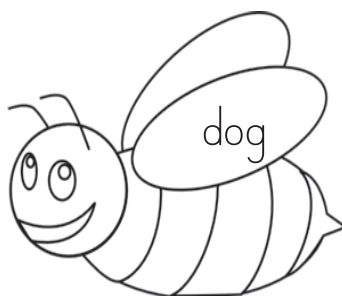
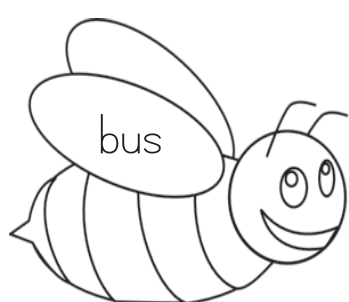
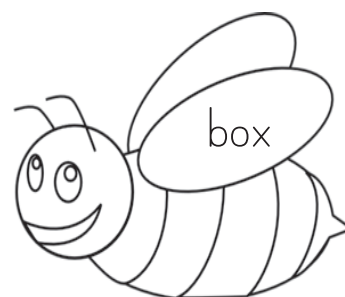
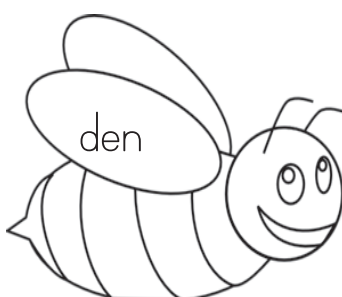
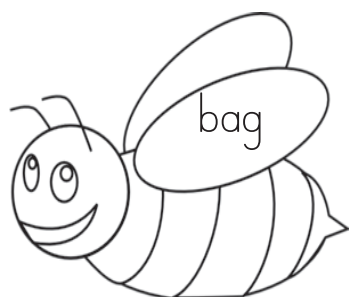
B	b						

Handwriting practice boxes for uppercase B and lowercase b. Each row contains four pairs of boxes. The first pair in the first row contains the letters B and b. The remaining boxes are empty for practice. Each box has a dashed midline.



Colour the bees with words  
beginning with 'b'.

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Read aloud and trace.

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box



ball



bun



bus

