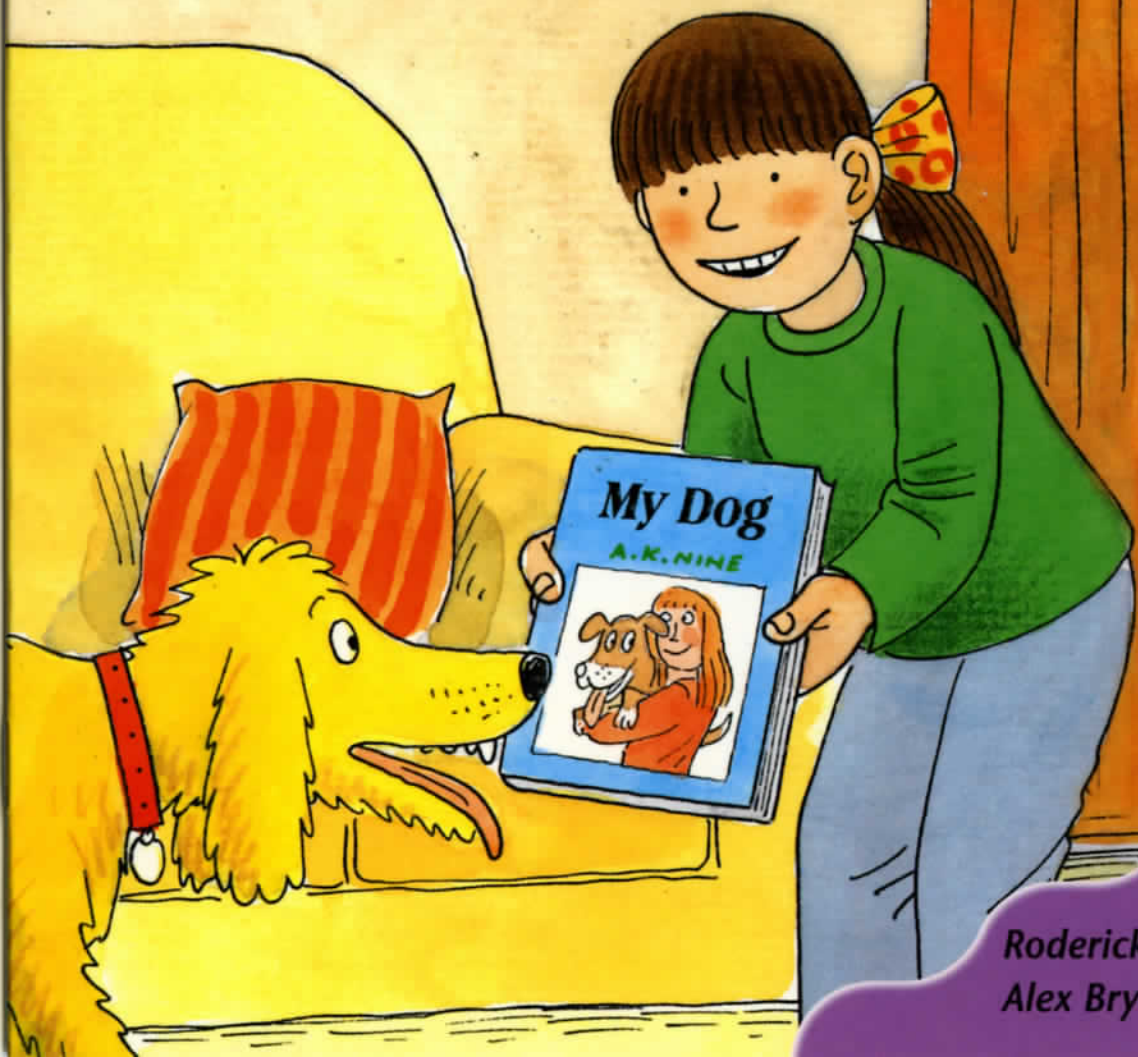




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What Dogs Like



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What's this story about?

Biff has a book that tells her how to look after dogs. She checks that Floppy is being properly looked after. There is only one thing where the book and Floppy disagree, and that is bathing!

Talk together

Read the title and talk about the picture on the cover. Ask, "What do you think Biff was saying to Floppy?" Talk about the things that you think dogs like.

Read the story

W = Word recognition **C** = Language comprehension

- W** Ask the child to read the title, and to find it again on the back cover. Read the list of words.
- W** Read the first page together. Ask the child to read the same sentence in Biff's book. Remind the child to point to each word as they read.
- C** Is it true that dogs like a bath? Look at Floppy's face.
- C** Read the sentence. Ask, "What do you think it should say in the book?"
- C** Ask the child to read the whole story from the beginning.



Dogs like to play.



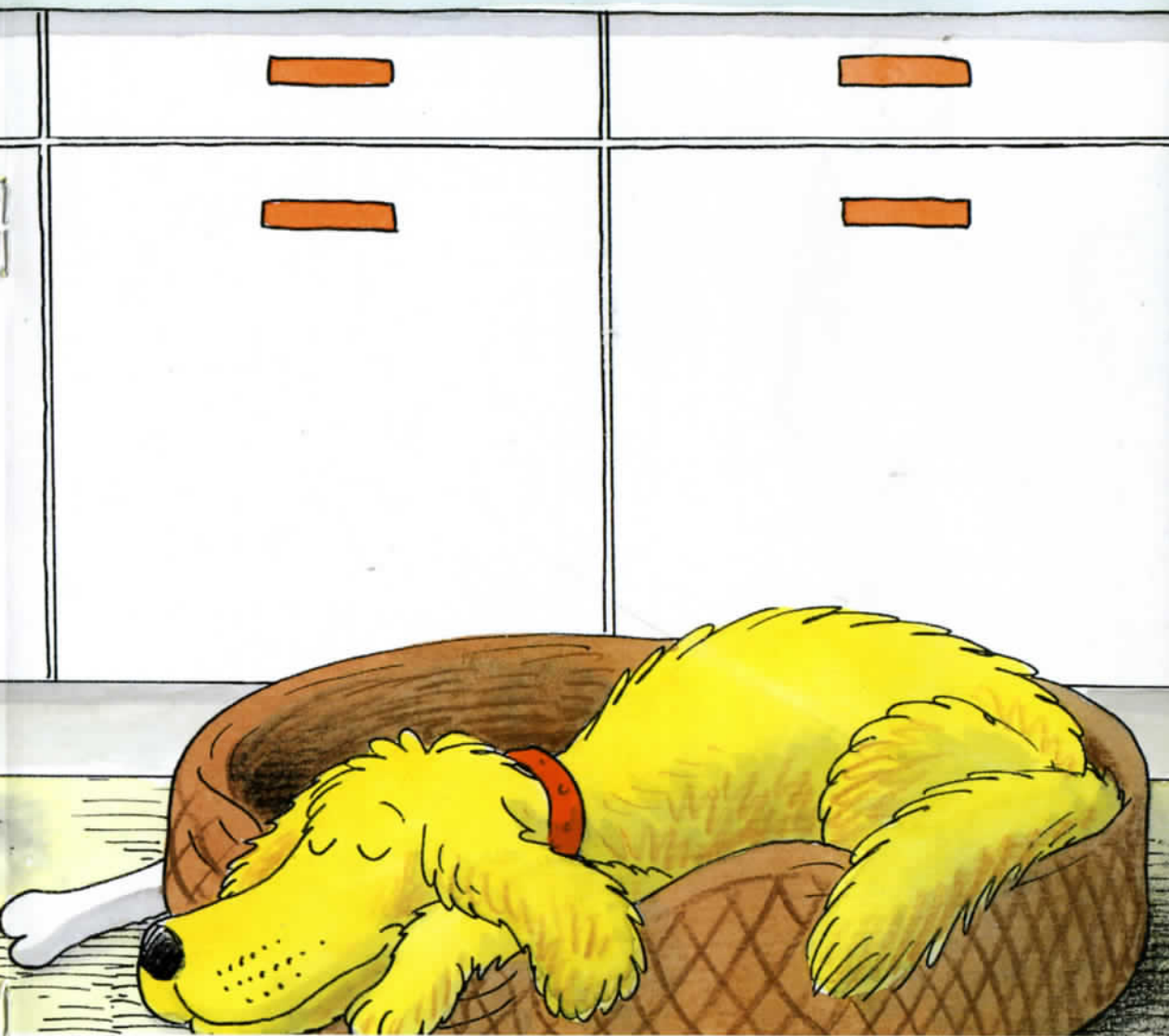
They like to walk.



Floppy likes to walk.



They like to sleep.



Floppy likes to sleep.



They like to run.



Floppy likes to run.



Floppy hates this.

Play a game

Find the word

To help the child remember words.

- Choose a word from the list on the back cover. Ask the child to find it wherever it appears in the book, e.g. you could say "Find 'they'". The child looks at every page to see if 'they' is on it. They read the word, then read the whole sentence.
- Then the child chooses a word for you too find. Have two or three turns each.

Other ideas

You can use this idea straight away, or on another day.

- Look for a full stop at the end of every sentence. Find all the full stops in the book.
- Look for a capital letter at the beginning of every sentence. Find all the capital letters in the book.

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What does Floppy like?

This story practises these words:

like likes they to



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