

## Decodable Texts: Short i (CVC Words)

"This nonfiction story shows what bugs can do! Remind your reader to notice short i words like *zip*, *dig*, *fig*, and *pit* as they explore how bugs move."



### Bugs That Zip

A bug can zip in the air.

It can zip in the sun.

A bug can sit on a fig.

It can dig in the pit.

A bug can hop and nip.

It can zig and zag.

A bug is quick!

After reading the story, have your child point to and slowly sound out each practice word.

zip

dig

fig

pit

nip



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Bugs That Zip

1. What can a bug do in the air?

- A. Sit and nap
- B. Zip and zag
- C. Sip a fig
- D. Dig in mud

2. Where can a bug sit?

- A. On a dog
- B. On a fan
- C. On a fig
- D. On a hat

3. Fill in the blank:

A bug can zip in the \_\_\_\_\_.

4. What are some of the ways bugs move in this story?

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5. Why do you think bugs need to move quickly?

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# Coaching Guide

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**Target Skill:** Short i (CVC)

**Genre:** Nonfiction / Science

**High-Frequency Words:** the, a, can, in, it, on

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## Before Reading

1. Remind your reader that short i says “ih” like in *zip*.
  2. Have you ever watched a bug fly or move?
  3. What do you think bugs can do really fast?
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## During Reading

1. Sounding Out Support: Tap out tricky movement words like *zig*, *zag*, and *nip*
  2. Keep your eyes open for action-packed short i words
  3. What does the story say bugs do in the sun?
  4. Read the last sentence with energy and speed!
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## After Reading

1. What are your favorite words that describe how bugs move?
  2. Why might it help a bug to zig and zag?
  3. Do you think bugs are fun to watch? Why or why not?
  4. Highlight or write 5 short i movement words.
  5. Fluency Tip: Read the story again like you are a buzzing bug zipping through the air!
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## Activity Idea

Draw a picture of a bug doing two actions from the story (like zipping or digging). Next to your bug, write a sentence using at least two short i action words. Then act out the bug's movement for a classmate, parent, or coach!

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## Coaching Tip

Movement-based stories help readers connect words to real-world experiences—act them out and make reading active!

