

## Decodable Texts: Short i (CVC Words)

"This nonfiction story explains how we dig! Help your reader notice short i words like *dig*, *pit*, *kit*, and *bit* as they explore different tools."



### How Do We Dig?

We can dig with a big rig.

A rig can sit in the pit.

We can dig with a pick.

A pick is in a kit.

We dig with a bit on a drill.

A drill can dig in rock.

It is fun to dig in the sun!

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

dig

rig

pit

pick

bit



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

## How Do We Dig?

1. What can sit in a pit?

- A. A rig
- B. A kit
- C. A stick
- D. A wig

2. What is in a kit?

- A. A big fan
- B. A rock
- C. A pick
- D. A fig

3. Fill in the blank:

A drill can dig in \_\_\_\_\_.

4. What are three tools we use to dig in the story?

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5. Why do you think digging can be fun?

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# Coaching Guide

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

**Genre:** Nonfiction / Tools

**High-Frequency Words:** the, we, can, in, it, is

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## Before Reading

1. Remind your reader that short i says “ih” like in *dig*.
  2. Have you ever dug in the dirt before?
  3. What tools might help you dig better?
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## During Reading

1. Sounding Out Support: Blend each short i word one sound at a time: /k/ /i/ /t/ = kit
  2. Encourage noticing words that rhyme or share parts (dig, rig, pit)
  3. What does the story say a drill can do?
  4. Read the last line with excitement and energy!
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## After Reading

1. Which digging tool did you like best and why?
  2. Do you think you could dig with all of those tools?
  3. What kind of job might use these digging tools?
  4. Find and read 5 short i words from the story.
  5. Fluency Tip: Try reading the story like you are teaching someone how to dig!
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## Activity Idea

Draw three digging tools from the story: a rig, a pick, and a drill. Next to each tool, write a short sentence explaining how it helps dig. For example, “A pick can chip rock.” Make sure to use at least one short i word in each sentence.

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## Coaching Tip

Connecting new words to real-world tools builds deeper comprehension and vocabulary strength.

