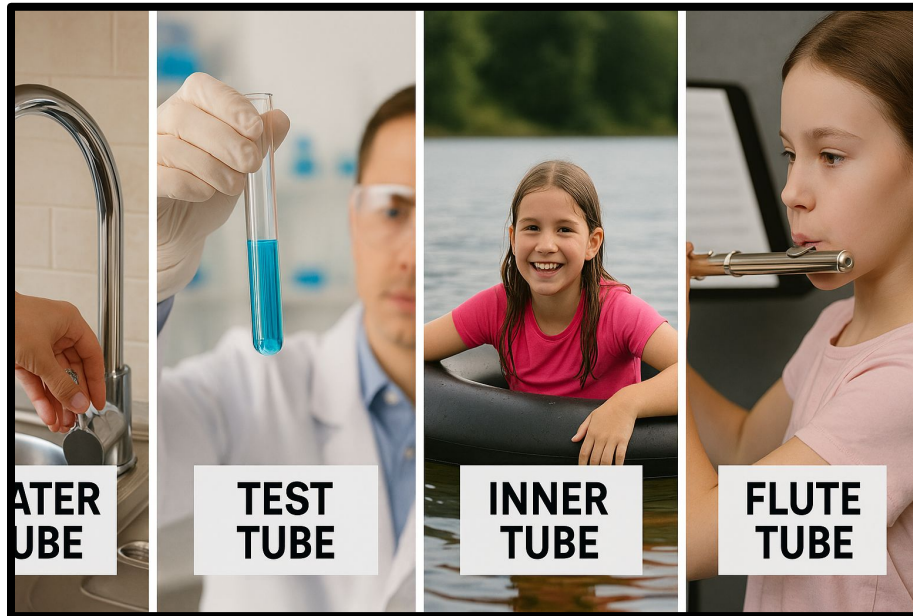


## Decodable Texts: Silent E (U-E)

"This nonfiction story explores how tubes are used all around us. Watch for u-e words like 'tube' and 'glue' as you learn!"



### How We Use Tubes

Tubes are hollow shapes used to move things.

They can move water, air, or even glue!

A tube can be made of metal, plastic, or rope.

Some tubes help at home, like the one in a flute.

Others are used in science labs and at the lake.

If you ride on a tube in water, it floats and makes a fun splash.

We use tubes more than we think!

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

tube

use

glue

flute

move



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

## How We Use Tubes

1. What can tubes move?

- A. Air, water, or glue
- B. Shoes and clothes
- C. Food and forks
- D. Books and bags

2. Where might you ride on a tube?

- A. At the store
- B. In a science lab
- C. At the lake
- D. In a tree

3. Fill in the blank:

Some tubes help at home, like the one in a \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Why do you think tubes are useful in so many places?

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5. What is one new thing you learned about tubes from this story?

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# Coaching Guide

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**Target Skill:** u-e Silent E Words

**Genre:** Nonfiction – Technology/Tools

**High-Frequency Words:** are, more, we, in, some

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## Before Reading

1. Today's story is full of u-e words that name useful tools.
  2. Where have you seen or used a tube before?
  3. What kinds of things can tubes help us do?
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## During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** For u-e words like “tube,” “flute,” and “glue,” guide your reader to stretch the U and notice the silent E at the end.
  2. Watch for u-e words connected to tools and movement
  3. What do tubes help carry or hold?
  4. Try reading the line about the lake with excitement and fun
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## After Reading

1. Retell three ways tubes are used
  2. Which use of a tube surprised you the most, and why?
  3. If you wrote your own tube story, what would you include?
  4. Skill Check: Highlight six u-e words in the story
  5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again like a science guide showing how things work!
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## Activity Idea

Make a “tube map” with drawings of where you see tubes (flute, lab, lake). Label each with a u-e word and write a sentence about how the tube works.

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## Coaching Tip

Show how reading builds real-world knowledge—tools like tubes help kids see how decoding connects to discovery.

