

Decodable Texts: Silent E (A-E)

"This story has lots of a-e words with a long A sound, like 'safe' and 'Jake.' Let's practice saying them clearly so we can solve the mystery with Jake!"



Jake and the Safe

Jake had a big job. He had to make sure the safe was shut.
The safe had gold!

He gave the code a tap. Beep. Beep. Beep. The safe made a click.

Jake gave a nod. "It is shut," he said.

But late that night, Jake woke up. "Did I shut the safe?"

He got up and ran to the gate.

He gave the code a tap. Beep. Beep. Beep.

Click! The safe was still shut.

Jake gave a grin and went back to bed.

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

Jake

safe

made

late

gave



Name: _____

Jake and the Safe

1. What was Jake's job?

- A. To sleep near the gate
- B. To make sure the safe was shut
- C. To lock the gold in a cage
- D. To open the safe every day

2. What did Jake do when he got worried at night?

- A. He went back to sleep
- B. He called his boss
- C. He ran to the gate and checked the safe
- D. He wrote the code down

3. Fill in the blank:

Jake gave the code a tap, and the safe made a _____.

4. Why did Jake check the safe again in the night?

5. What clues show that Jake takes his job seriously?



Coaching Guide

Target Skill: a-e Silent E Words

Genre: Fiction – Mystery

High-Frequency Words: he, the, was, said, gave

Before Reading

1. Remind your child that today's story uses long A words spelled with a silent e.
 2. Have you ever had a job or task you had to remember?
 3. What would you keep safe in a locked box?
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During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Remind your child that the silent “e” makes the “a” say its name.
 2. Watch for long A words like "gate," "safe," and "Jake."
 3. What did Jake hear when he tapped the code?
 4. Try reading Jake's line with a worried voice.
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After Reading

1. Can you retell what happened at the start, middle, and end?
 2. Why do you think Jake couldn't sleep?
 3. Do you think Jake was brave or scared? Why?
 4. Skill Check: Highlight 5 a-e words you can find!
 5. **Fluency Tip:** Try reading the story again like you are acting out Jake's actions.
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Activity Idea

Draw a picture of a safe and what you would keep inside. Label it with a-e words like “tape,” “cake,” or “game.”

Coaching Tip

Celebrate your reader's attention to vowel patterns—it helps build confident, accurate reading!

