# Decodable Texts: Silent E (U-E)

"In this story, Jude plays music and saves his flute case—look for u-e words like 'flute' and 'cube' as you read!"



Jude and the Flute

Jude sat on the porch with his flute.

He blew a soft tune and watched the blue sky.

A goose flew by. Jude gave a salute.

Then a cube fell out of his coat!

It was the flute case—he had left it loose.

Jude ran to get it before it rolled down the dune.

He gave a huge grin when he saved it.

"Good tune, good save," he said.

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

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## Jude and the Flute

- 1. What was Jude doing at the start of the story?
- A. Running up a dune
- B. Blowing a tune on his flute
- C. Chasing a goose
- D. Rolling a cube

- 2. What happened when the cube fell?
- A. It broke in two
- B. It rolled down the dune
- C. It flew away
- D. It hit the goose

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Jude gave a \_\_\_\_\_ when he saved the case.

4. What does this story tell us about Jude's personality?

5. How do the u-e words help bring sound and action into the story?

### **Coaching Guide**

**Target Skill:** u-e Silent E Words **Genre:** Fiction – Realistic Fiction

High-Frequency Words: his, the, he, when, good

#### **Before Reading**

- 1. Tell your child that u-e words often describe sound, shape, or action—look for them in this musical tale.
- 2. Have you ever played an instrument or lost something important?
- 3. What kind of music do you like?

### **During Reading**

- Sounding Out Support: Help your child spot u-e words like "flute" and "cube."
   Remind them the silent E makes the U say its name.
- 2. Watch for u-e words tied to sound and movement
- 3. What does Jude do when the cube falls?
- 4. Read Jude's last line with pride and relief!

### **After Reading**

- 1. Retell what happened from the time Jude played his flute to the time he saved the case
- 2. What clues show how much Jude cares about his music?
- 3. How would the story change if he didn't save the case?
- 4. Skill Check: Highlight six u-e words in the story
- 5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again with pauses after each action to add dramatic effect!

#### **Activity Idea**

Draw Jude playing his flute near the dune. Add labels using u-e words like "flute," "cube," and "tune." Then write one sentence about what song he might play next.

#### Coaching Tip

Support your reader's expression—stories with sound words are a fun way to practice fluency and emotion.

