Decodable Texts: R-Controlled (er)

"This story includes 'er' pattern words like 'Amber,' 'eraser,' and 'burger.' Let's see how a funny mix-up gets solved with a smile!"



The Eraser Mix-Up

Amber lost her pink eraser before math time.

She checked her folder, her locker, and her desk.

Then she saw Parker with a pink eraser just like hers!

"Is that mine?" she asked.

Parker said, "Let's compare."

They held up the erasers side by side.

Amber laughed. "Mine has a tiny sticker of a burger!"

They both giggled and got back to work.

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

Amber eraser Parker locker sticker



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The Eraser Mix-Up

1. What was Amber looking for?	2. What helped her find the right eraser?			
A. Her pencil	A. A phone call			
B. Her book	B. A sticker			
C. Her eraser	C. A big label			
D. Her marker	D. A flashlight			
3. Fill in the blank:				
"Mine has a tiny sticker of a!"				
4. What does this story tell you about solving small problems in fun ways?				
5. How did Amber and Parketteamwork?	r show kindness and			

Coaching Guide

Target Skill: er R-Controlled Vowel **Genre:** Fiction – Humor / School Life

High-Frequency Words: her, she, has, said, back

Before Reading

- 1. This story includes "er" words like Amber, eraser, locker, and burger.
- 2. Have you ever mixed up something with a friend at school?
- 3. What's a kind way to figure out whose item is whose?

During Reading

- 1. **Sounding Out Support:** Practice "er" words like *eraser*, *locker*, *Parker*, and *sticker*.
- 2. Watch for er words that describe objects and names
- 3. What helped Amber know which eraser was hers?
- 4. Read the last line with a giggle—it's a light moment!

After Reading

- 1. Retell what Amber lost and how she found it
- 2. What made the ending funny and kind?
- 3. What would you put on your school supplies to make them easy to tell apart?
- 4. Skill Check: Highlight six "er" words in the story
- 5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again like a classmate telling a silly story at your desk

Activity Idea

Draw Amber and Parker comparing erasers at their desks, with one showing a burger sticker. Label items using er words like *eraser*, *locker*, *burger*, or *Parker*. Write one sentence about how the mix-up was solved.

Coaching Tip

Use relatable classroom moments to build fluency—kids love decoding stories that could happen to them!

