Decodable Texts: Silent E (U-E)

"This fantasy adventure is filled with u-e words like 'flute' and 'cube.' Let's follow Luke as he finds the Cave of Tunes!"



The Flute in the Cave

Luke found a map with a red cube marked "Cave of Tunes."

He made a rule: follow the map and stay brave.

With a torch and rope, Luke hiked up the dune.

Inside the cave, he saw a flute stuck in blue stone!

He gave it a tug—POP! It came loose.

When Luke played it, the cave lit up with music.

Notes rose like smoke, soft and pure.

Luke gave a huge grin. The tune was magic.

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

flute cube rule Luke tune



The Flute in the Cave

- 1. What did Luke find in the cave?
- A. A map and a rope
- B. A cube of gold
- C. A flute stuck in stone
- D. A note on the wall

- 2. What happened when Luke played the flute?
- A. The cave broke
- B. Music filled the cave
- C. The rope flew away
- D. He dropped the map

3. Fill in the blank:

The tune was soft, pure, and full of _____.

4. How do you know the flute was special?

5. What do you think Luke might do with the magical tune?

Coaching Guide

Target Skill: u-e Silent E Words **Genre:** Fiction – Fantasy/Adventure

High-Frequency Words: found, gave, with, up, when

Before Reading

- 1. Tell your child to look for u-e pattern words that describe the setting, tools, and music.
- 2. What would you do if you found a map with a secret cave on it?
- 3. What sounds do you think a magical flute would make?

During Reading

- 1. **Sounding Out Support:** Remind your reader that the silent E makes U say its name. Help sound out longer words like "flute" and "tune" together.
- 2. Watch for u-e words that describe the tools and magic
- 3. What happens when Luke pulls the flute out?
- 4. Read the final line with wonder and awe

After Reading

- 1. Retell how Luke found the cave and what he did inside
- 2. Why do you think the cave lit up when the flute played?
- 3. What would happen next if this were part of a longer story?
- 4. Skill Check: Highlight six u-e words in the story
- 5. **Fluency Tip:** Read it again like you're telling an exciting story around a campfire!

Activity Idea

Draw the Cave of Tunes with Luke holding the flute. Label parts using u-e words like "cube," "dune," and "flute." Write a sentence describing the magical tune Luke played.

Coaching Tip

Let your child imagine themselves in the story—fantasy tales build fluency, creativity, and decoding all in one!

