

Decodable Texts: Long Vowel Teams: oo (look)

"This story focuses on the 'oo' sound as in 'book.' Watch for words like 'wood,' 'books,' and 'hook' as you read!"



The Secret Wood Hut

Mia took a path through the woods. She stood still when she saw a small hut made of dark wood.

She looked left and right, then took a step closer.

Inside, she found old books stacked high and a little hook hanging on the wall.

Mia shook with excitement. "Who used this hut?" she wondered.

She left the hut and stood in the sun, thinking about the hidden stories waiting inside those old books.

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

wood

book

books

hook

shook



Name: _____

The Secret Wood Hut

1. Where did Mia find the small hut?

- A. In the middle of the woods
- B. At the playground
- C. Behind her house
- D. Near the school

2. What did Mia find inside the hut?

- A. New toys
- B. Old books and a hook
- C. A sleeping cat
- D. Fresh fruit

3. Fill in the blank:

Mia left the hut and _____ in the sun.

4. Why do you think Mia was excited about the old books?

5. If you found a secret hut, what would you hope to find inside?



Coaching Guide

Target Skill: "oo" /u/ Sound (as in "book")

Genre: Fiction – Mystery Adventure

High-Frequency Words: the, and, to, she, in

Before Reading

1. Remind them of the target skill: "We're reading to find 'oo' words that say the /u/ sound, like in 'book' and 'wood.'"
 2. Have you ever found a secret or hidden place?
 3. What do you think makes old books feel special or mysterious?
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During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Remind kids that 'oo' makes the /u/ sound in words like "book." Try that sound first when sounding out tricky words.
 2. Watch for 'oo' words and read them clearly.
 3. What did Mia find inside the hut?
 4. Try reading Mia's last line with a wondering, curious voice!
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After Reading

1. Can you retell how Mia found the secret hut?
 2. Why did Mia think about hidden stories waiting inside the books?
 3. If you could explore the old books Mia found, what kind of stories would you hope to read?
 4. Skill mastery prompt: "Find and underline 5 'oo' words in the story!"
 5. **Fluency Tip:** Try reading the story again like you're telling a secret adventure!
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Activity Idea

Draw a picture of Mia finding the secret hut. Label at least three things using 'oo' words and write a sentence about what might happen next in her adventure.

Coaching Tip

Encourage your reader to imagine the hidden stories Mia might find—this helps build creative thinking and curiosity!

