

Decodable Texts: All Ending Blends

"This story is about a clever pup with a surprise trick! Remind your reader to look for a variety of ending blends and to read with fun energy."



The Smart Pup's Trick

The pup did a jump and a spin.

Then it sat and gave a yelp.

Max gave the pup a red gift.

"Smart pup!" said Max.

The pup ran to the ramp and did a flip!

It went plop into the soft sand.

Then it kept still and gave one last bark—YIP!

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

smart

jump

yelp

gift

ramp



Name: _____

The Smart Pup's Trick

1. What did the pup do first?

- A. Bark
- B. Spin and jump
- C. Nap
- D. Run away

2. What did Max give the pup?

- A. A red ball
- B. A red gift
- C. A leash
- D. A snack

3. Fill in the blank:

"_____ pup!" said Max.

4. What made the pup's trick special?

5. What would you teach a smart pup to do?



Coaching Guide

Target Skill: All Ending Blends (-rt, -mp, -lp, -pt)

Genre: Humorous Fiction

High-Frequency Words: said, the, it, gave, did, one

Before Reading

1. Let's look for -rt, -mp, -lp, and -pt words like *smart*, *jump*, *yelp*, and *gift*.
 2. Have you ever seen a pet do something funny or clever?
 3. What tricks would you want a dog to learn?
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During Reading

1. **Sounding Out Support:** Blend each ending carefully—pause for short vowels, then blend -mp, -pt, -lp, or -rt
 2. Watch for mix-blend words like *jump*, *smart*, *gift*, *plop*, *yelp*
 3. What made Max call the pup smart?
 4. Use a playful, expressive voice—especially when the pup says “YIP!”
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After Reading

1. What tricks did the pup do?
 2. How did Max react to the pup's moves?
 3. If you had a smart pet, what would you want it to learn next?
 4. Skill Mastery: Find and highlight 5 mixed blend words
 5. **Fluency Tip:** Read again like you're announcing a pet talent show!
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Activity Idea

Create a “Pet Trick Poster.” Draw the pup doing one of the tricks from the story. Label with -rt, -mp, -lp, or -pt words like *smart*, *jump*, *gift*, *yelp*, or *plop*. Add a speech bubble with a bark or yip!

Coaching Tip

Let kids laugh and play while decoding—they remember more when they enjoy the moment.

