Decodable Texts: Ending Blends (L-Blends)

"This story is a silly one! Help your reader watch for -lp words and read with excitement when Jill needs help."



Yell for Help!

Jill went up the hill with her pup.

She had a cup and a map.

Then—slip!

The pup went down the hill!

"Help!" Jill did yell.

The pup did a roll and a hop.

At last, Jill got the pup.

She gave a yelp and a hug.

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

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Yell for Help!

1.	What	happened	to	the
pup	?			

- A. It ran up a tree
- B. It went down the hill
- C. It got in a box
- D. It fell in a gap

- 2. What did Jill do when the pup slipped?
- A. She ran away
- B. She yelled for help
- C. She took a nap
- D. She clapped

3.	Fill	in	the	b	lan	k:
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4. Why did Jill yell "Help!" in the story?

5. How do you think Jill felt when she got the pup back? Why?

Coaching Guide

Target Skill: -lp Ending Blends **Genre:** Humorous Fiction

High-Frequency Words: said, the, for, she, did, a

Before Reading

- 1. Let's look for -lp words like *help*, *yelp*, and *pulp*.
- 2. Have you ever had to call for help?
- 3. Why do people yell when something goes wrong?

During Reading

- 1. **Sounding Out Support:** Practice blending short vowels with -lp endings: *he...lp*, *ye...lp*
- 2. Watch for -lp blend words like help, yelp, and pulp
- 3. What happened to the pup?
- 4. Use excitement and emotion when Jill yells!

After Reading

- 1. What happened at the beginning, middle, and end?
- Why was it a funny story instead of scary?
- 3. What would you have done if you were Jill?
- 4. Skill Mastery: Find 5 -lp words in the story
- 5. **Fluency Tip:** Read the story again using big emotion—especially when Jill calls out!

Activity Idea

Make a comic strip that shows the pup's silly hill trip. Add -lp words to label each frame like *help*, *slip*, *yelp*, and *pup*. Then share it with a friend or classmate!

Coaching Tip

Let your reader act out the story—it's a great way to build confidence, fluency, and fun at once.

