



Decoding Strategies



Use the Picture Clues

Look at the **pictures** on the page for clues about how to decode the word.

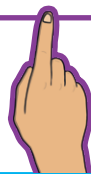


Say the First Sound

Say the **first sound** in the word and try to predict what the word might be.



jumping



Blend the Sounds

Say each sound within the word and blend them together.



c-l-ou-d
b-l-ow-n
au-th-or

Think about Similar Words

Look carefully at the word. Is it **similar** to any other words you know?



landing
banding
standing

Spot the Common Exception Words

Look out for any **common exception words** you know before reading the sentence.



Look for Smaller Words

Look for **smaller words** within longer words.



for ever
some one
a loud

Split the Word into Chunks

Split the word up into chunks that you can already decode.



Sat-ur-day
for-get-ful
blan-ket

Read On

Read on to the end of the sentence. Think about a word that could make sense in the sentence.

