

AlphabettiTM Book 1-D

the big dig



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A Progressive PhonicsTM book

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d o g b a + i

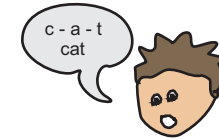
(letters practiced in this book)

Quick Start Guide



Read the book WITH your child. You read the “regular” text, and he/she reads the big, red words, sort of like reading the different parts in a play.

Help your child sound out the words as needed.



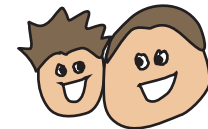
Read the book many times. This helps develop the eye muscles and left-to-right reading patterns that are necessary for reading.

Don't rush it. Body builders don't train in a day, neither does a child.



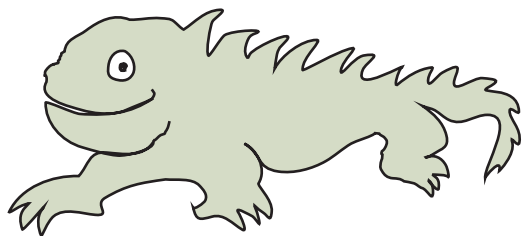
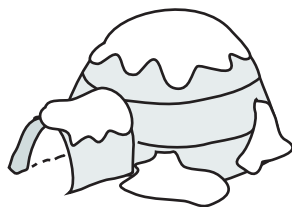
Use the handwriting worksheets – when children write what they learn, they learn it better.

Don't worry about upper-case letters or capitalizing proper nouns. Uppercase letters are taught in a later book.

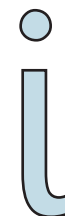


This is the letter “i” – the letter
“i” says “-i-” as in insect, igloo
and iguana.

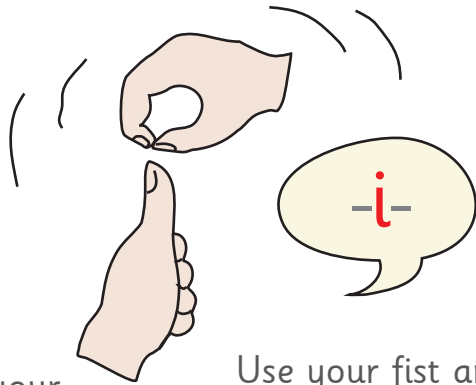
i



The letter “i” is made of a short stick
and a tiny, little bouncing ball...



Let's use our hands to make the letter "i" –



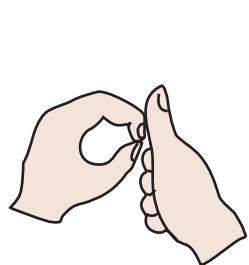
Use your thumb as the stick

Use your fist and bounce up and down for the little ball

Let's sound out these words, and see what they say –

big
dig
did

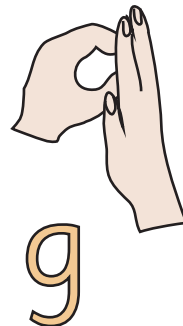
And what does the letter "i" say?
(Have the child make the letter "i" sound several times.)



a



d



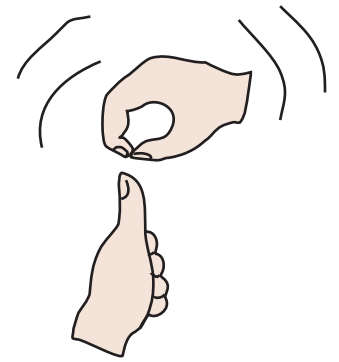
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o



b



i

Look at the words we can make
with the letters we know...

b i g

b a d

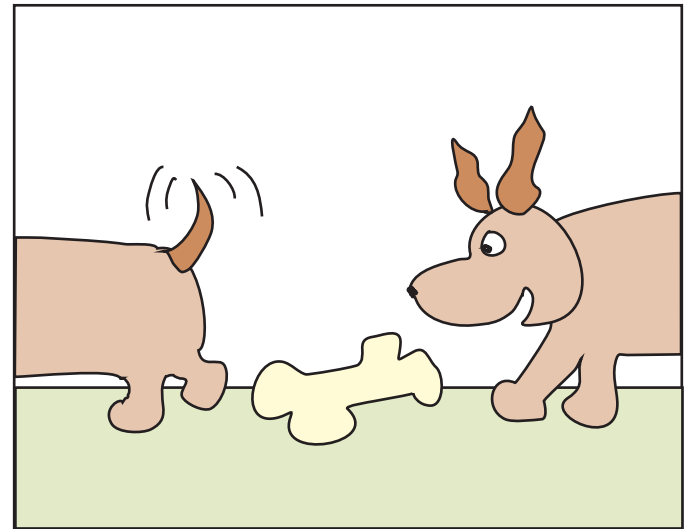
b o b

d o d

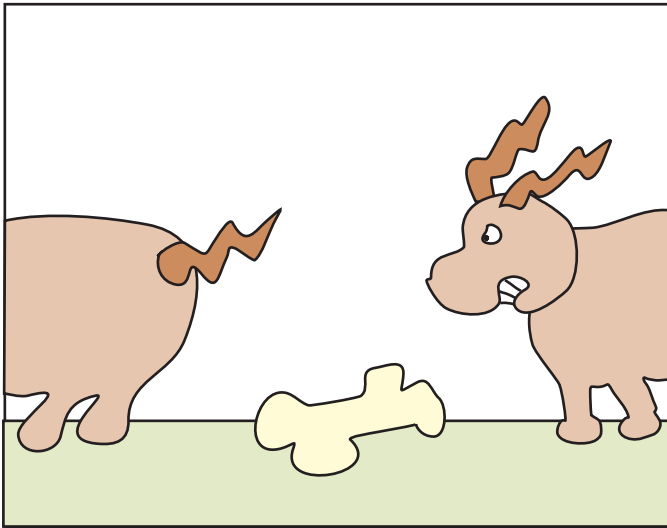
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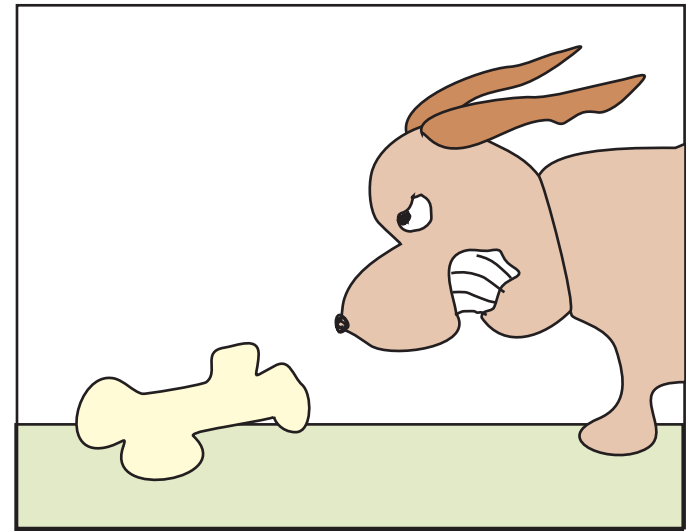
d i d



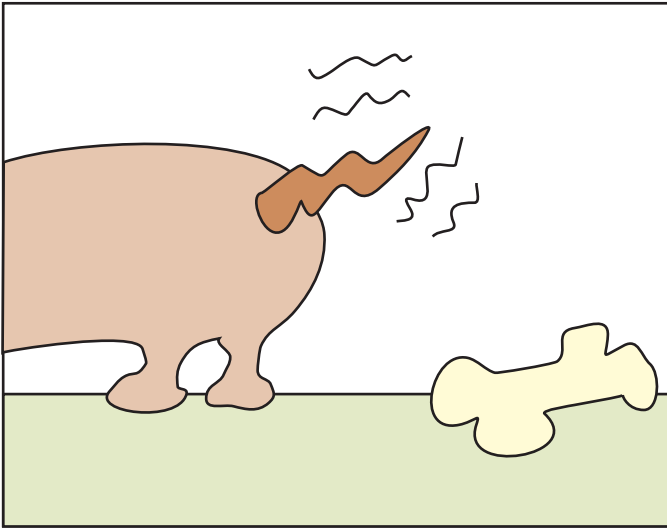
One day, **dod** and
bob find a **big**
bone at the **dog**
park.



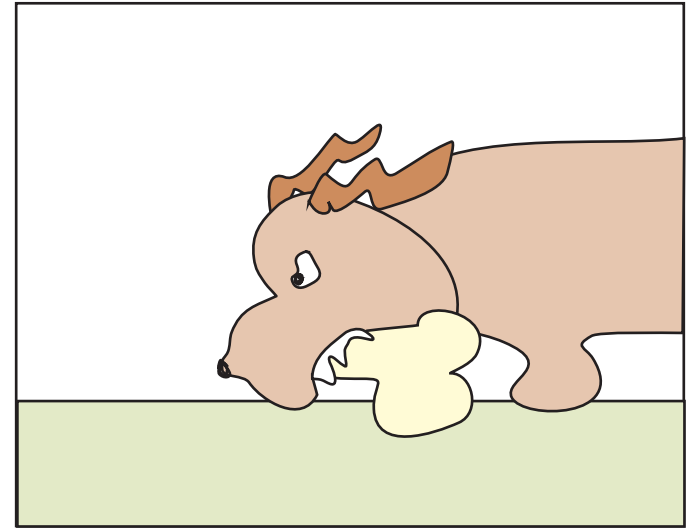
Now, there's nothing like a
big, juicy bone to turn
 even the nicest **dog** into
 a **bad dog**.



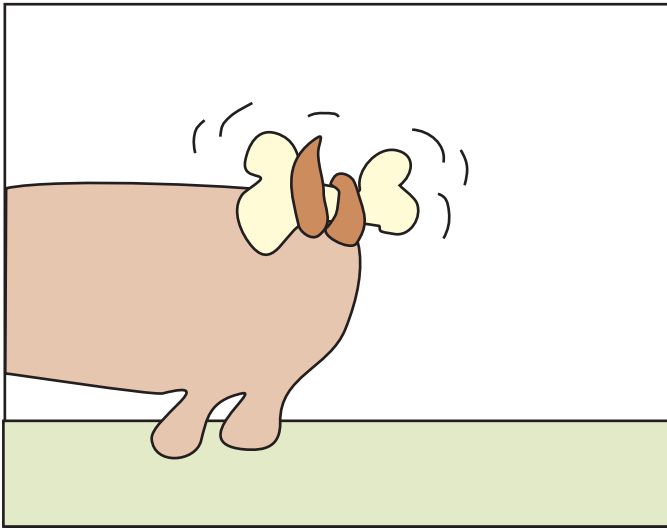
What **did dod**
 do? **dod** growled a
big, bad growl
 - **bad dod!**



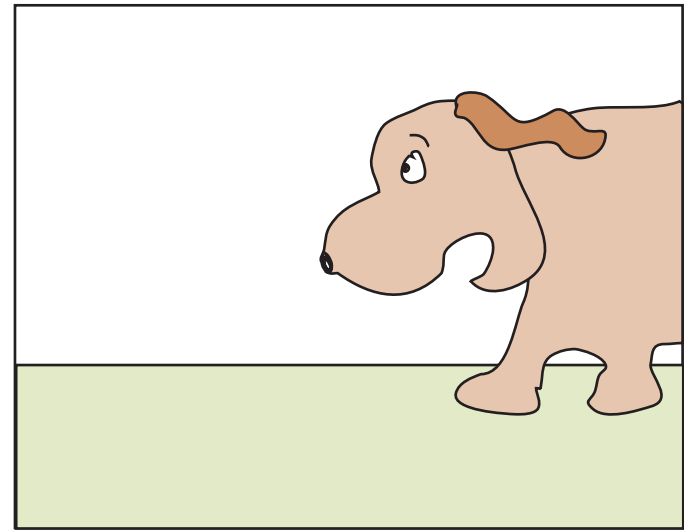
What **did bob**
do? Not much (how could
he?) but **bob did**
shake his tail at **dod**.



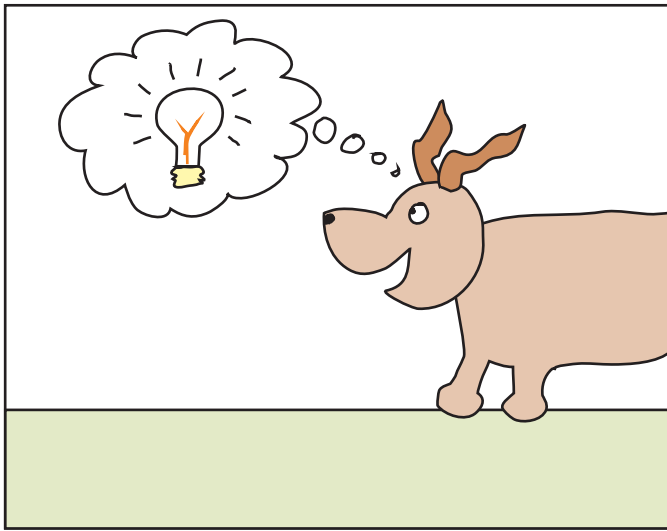
dod said, "My
bone!" And he grabbed
the **big** bone with
his **big, bad**
teeth.



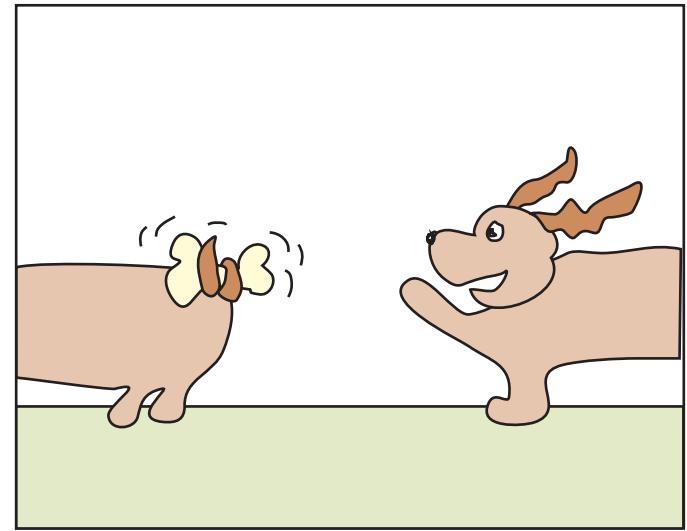
bob did not say
anything (how could he?)
but **bob did**
grab the **big** bone
with his tail.



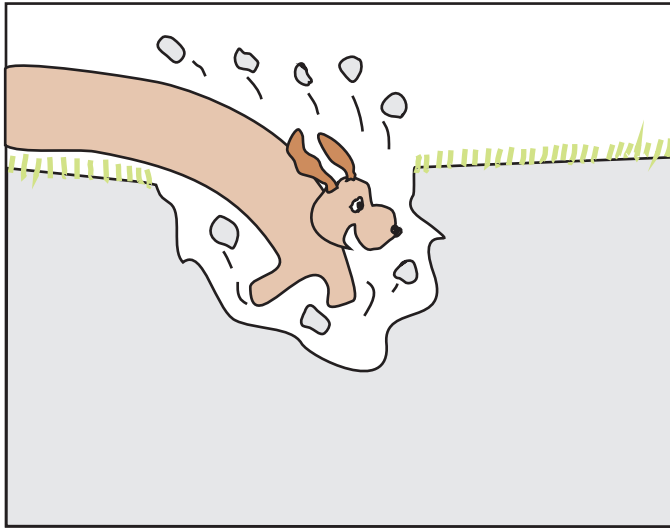
dod really wanted
that **big**, juicy bone,
but **dod did** not
want to fight **bob**.
bob was his friend.



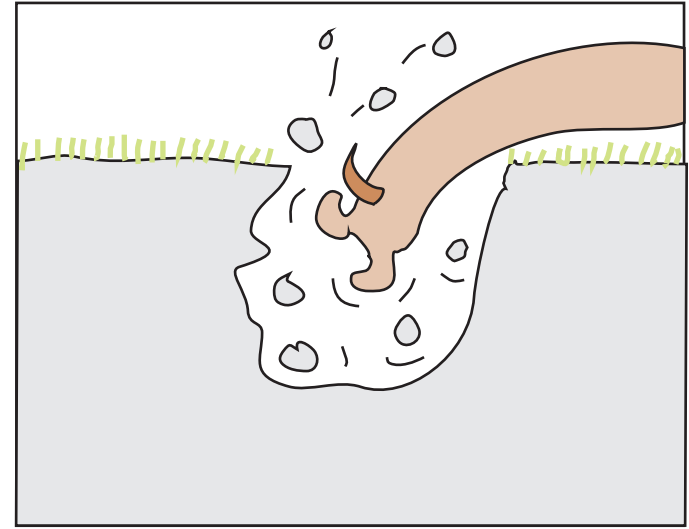
Perhaps because **dod** was the only one with brains, **dod** had a **big** idea. "Let's have a contest!" said **dod**.



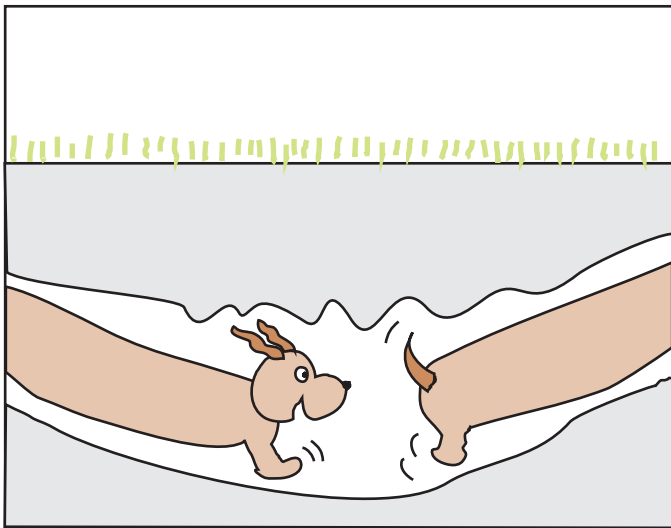
dod told **bob** his **big** idea. "The **dog** who can **dig** the **big, big** biggest hole will get the bone!"



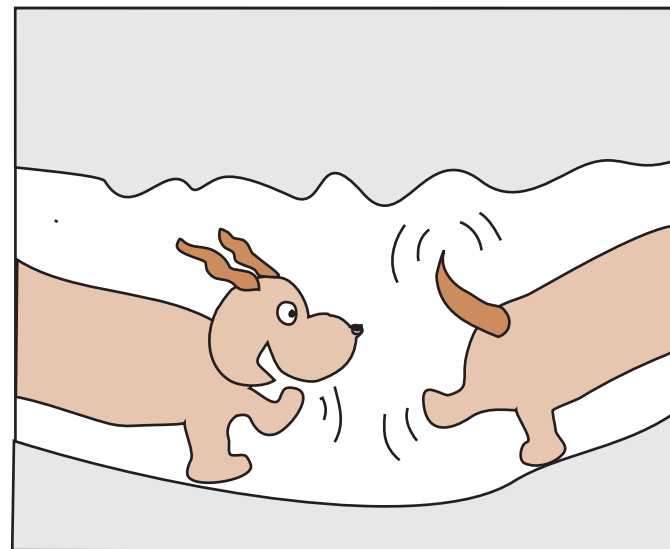
dod starts to **dig**
 – look at **dod**
dig. Will **dod**
dig the **big**,
big biggest hole?



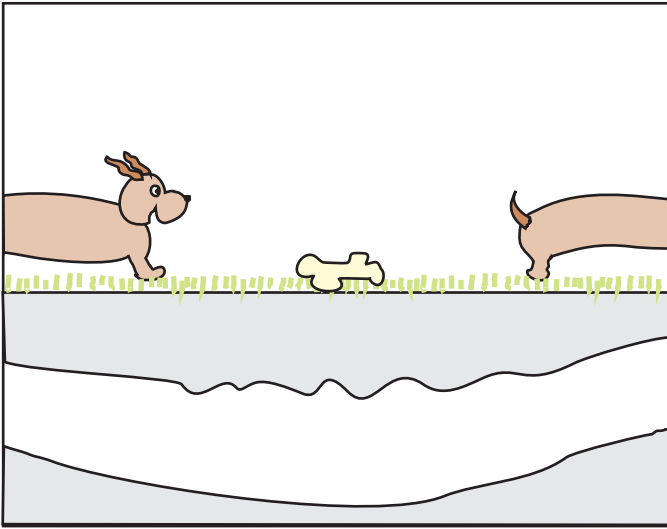
Boy, look at **bob**
dig. **bob** can
 really **dig** a **big**
 hole. Go, **bob**, go!



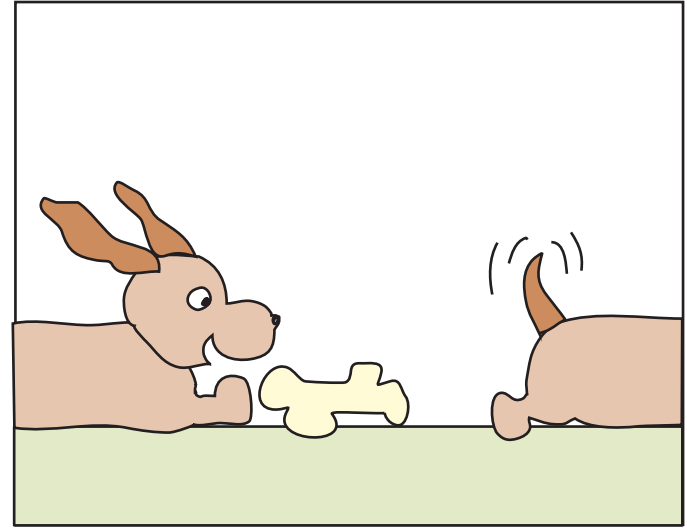
Whoops! **dod** and
bob meet in the
middle.



dod says, "Hello
bob."
bob
wags his tail.



Who did dig the
big, big biggest
hole? **did dod**
dig it? Or **did**
bob dig it?



They both **did** –
dod and **bob**
share the **big**, juicy
bone.