

I Like Flowers

Level B / 35 words / fiction

High frequency words:

I, like, to

Before reading

- Look at the cover and read the title.
- Possible discussion questions: "What is the name of the animal in the picture on the cover of the book? What is it doing?"

Look through all the pictures

- Using the language in the story, discuss what is happening in each picture.
- Help the children find the high-frequency phrase *I* like to.
- Help the children find and read the word eat.

Reading the text

- Have the children read the text independently. Encourage them to read it again if they finish before the others in the group.
- While they're reading, listen to each student individually and prompt them to use meaning, structure, and letter cues at difficulty. Praise the successful use of reading cues.
- Make sure the children can match (with their finger) or track (with their eyes) each word of the text.

FUN FACT

Baby goats are called *kids*. Kids can walk within minutes of being born. They are full grown and able to have their own kids when they are less than three years old.

After reading

- Discuss the meaning, structure, and letter cues that you noticed students using correctly at difficulty.
- Literal comprehension: The answers are in the text. Ask, "Can you name the colors of the flowers in the story?" Have the children read the pages that support their answers.
- Inferential comprehension: The answers are in your head. Ask, "What other colors can flowers be? What else, besides flowers, do you think goats might like to eat?"

Word work

- Have students locate the high-frequency words in the text and practice writing.
- Have the students find the color words: red, yellow, orange, purple, and pink.

Rereading for fluency

• Have the children read the story again, either independently or with a partner. Use this opportunity to listen and prompt for strategy use at difficulty.

Writing activity

- Have students write this silly sentence, filling in the blank: "I like to eat _____ flowers." Then have the students draw a picture that corresponds to what they have written.
- Encourage the use of proper punctuation and independent attempts to spell words correctly.

Teaching Points: Using meaning to connect pictures to text; Matching words with their fingers, one to one; Introducing color words in text.