

More Fish for Fish

Level G / 115 words / fiction

High frequency words:

be, but, of, then, too, was, when, with, would

Before reading

- Look at the cover and read the title.
- Possible discussion questions: "Where is Danny? What is Danny doing?"

Look through all the pictures

- Using the language in the story, discuss each photograph in the book. Notice details in the pictures and use that information to better understand the text.
- Help the children find any tricky words in the text: thought and friend. Discuss meaning, word structure, and sounds you expect to hear in those words.

Reading the text

- Have the children read the text independently. While they're reading, listen to and prompt each student to use meaning, structure, and visual information to figure out words, self-correct, or improve expression.
- Children should be able to track print with their eyes, move quickly through the text, and read fluently while paying attention to punctuation, except at point of difficulty.

After reading

• Discuss the meaning, structure, and letter cues that you notice students using correctly.

FUN FACT

The largest goldfish is the size of a cat. The Guinness World Record for the world's longest goldfish stands at 18.7 inches from nose to tail-fin.

- Literal comprehension: The answers are in the text. Ask, "Who is Fish's 'one friend'? Why did Fish have to move to the pond?" Have students read the pages that support their answers.
- Inferential comprehension: The answers are in your head. Ask, "How do you think Danny felt when he put Fish into the pond? How would you feel if you had to go to a new and different home, like Fish?"

Word work

- Have the students locate the high-frequency words in the text and practice writing them.
- Help the students locate the action words (verbs) with the -ed suffix: *lived, moved,* and *named.* This ending means that the action already happened. It happened in the past.
- Find and discuss the rhyming pairs: then-when, that-at, be-me, and got-not.
- On separate cards, write the four different places Fish has lived: tank, little bowl, bigger bowl, and pond. Have the students put the cards in sequential order to match the text.

Rereading for fluency

• Have the child(ren) read the story again aloud, listening for phrased, fluent oral reading that includes appropriate pausing, intonation and word stress.

Writing activity

• Have each student write and complete the following
sentence: "Fish moved to a home in a
because" Then have the students draw a
picture that corresponds to what they have written.

Teaching Points: Introducing new words; Noticing rhyming words; Practicing the -ed suffix; Noticing action words (verbs); Sequencing; Rereading.