

Who Is in the Shrub?



Kit sniffs at this
spot. What is
that smell?

Fumes puff up
from a big bush.
Who is in there?





'A pig!' Kit yells.

Pig is a crude
mess of mud,
and fumes
come off him.

Kit runs off the
hill. 'Come on,
dude!'

Pig runs with a
big grin, and
bugs chase him.





'Go in the mud,
Pig!' says Kit.

Splash! Pig
jumps in like a
brute, and Kit
gets all wet.

Kit is up in the
big plant. 'Come
up, Pig!' she calls.
But Pig just sits,
like a mule. What
a grump!





Kit sits in the
grass and sings
a tune. Pig
makes a big din.
It is a bad song,
but it is fun.

The sun sets.
'Come home with
me, Pig,' says
Kit, 'but we must
be quick. Mum
must not smell
the fumes.'





Kit and Pig step
in the hall. They
track mud as
they go. Pig
makes a small,
rude din. 'Hush,
Pig!' says Kit.

Kit dabs red on
Pig's lips. Pig
grins and grins.

What a cute
dude!



'What is that **rude** thing?'
yells Mum. 'It is my pet pig!'
says Kit.

'In the tub, quick!' says Mum.



Kit and Pig get in
the tub. They use
lots of suds and
scrub and scrub.

Bit by bit, the
mud drips off.





It is not a pig. It
is a cute pug!

The pug licks Kit,
and Kit grins. 'My
pug,' says Kit.



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Kit smells something stinky hiding behind a bush in the park. Could it really be a pig? Kit and the muddy new friend run, splash, and sing together all afternoon, but sneaking a stinky pig past Mum will take some clever thinking, and a very big bath is only the beginning of what happens next. Created to align with the UFLI Foundations scope and sequence (Lesson 58: u_e /ū/, /yū/), this book practises words like 'cute', 'dude', 'rude', 'tune', 'use'.

Phonics Focus: u_e /ū/, /yū/

brute, crude, cute, dude, fumes, mule, rude, tune, use

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