

Chip and the Sky Band



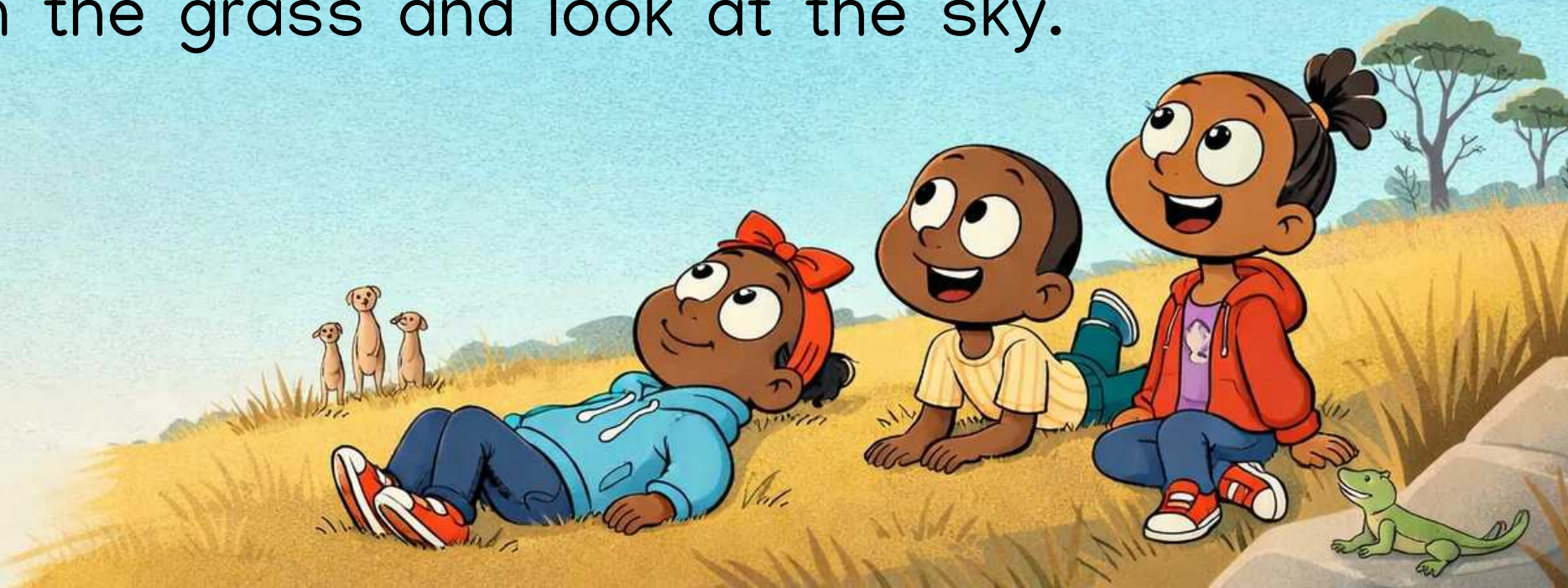


'Look up there!' yells
Max. Sister and Girl
look up as well.

A big cloud man is
far up in the sky.
He waves at them,
and Max waves
back.

The kids flop in the grass and look up. But the cloud man is not there now.

'Perhaps he is shy,' says Girl. So they rest in the grass and look at the sky.





The cloud man is
back, and a cloud
lady is with him.

They do a jig in the
sky.

Sister hops up and
twirls in the yard. A
kitten twirls with her.

The cloud man and
the cloud lady sing.
Max sits in the
grass and jabs his
arm up. 'What a big
song!' he yells. The
birds perk up as well.





Now a full cloud band
is up in the sky.

Bang, bang, bang, go
the drums! The land
hums under the kids.



Max, Girl and Sister
jig and twirl on the
dirt.

The drummer bangs
harder and harder.

The sky turns dark,
and a big storm
starts. Crack!

Drops fall and fall. Girl
lifts her hand, and
the drops smack it.



'Run!' yells **Sister**. The kids **dart** home.
Girl is **first**, and Max runs as fast as
he can. Dogs run in with them as well.



The kids are wet,
wet, wet. They get
cloths and dry off.

'I am the cloud
man!' yells Max. **Girl**
twirls her red cloth,
and **Sister** whirls
her cloth as well.





Mom and Dad are
there. 'A cloud band
sang up in the sky!'
says Max, and he
sings his best cloud
song.

'And then a big storm
came,' says Girl. 'What
a story!' says Dad.
Mom smiles and claps.

Dad gets his drum.

Bang, bang, bang! Max
hits a pot, and Girl
hits a pan. Clang,
clang!

Mom and Sister jump
and twirl. They are the
best band ever.





It is **dark** now, and all
is still. Max, **Girl** and
Sister rest in bed.



Far up in the sky, the
clouds **are** soft and
silver. The cloud man
rests up **there** as
well.



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A girl and her brother spot a cloud man floating in the sky, waving down at them. He vanishes, then returns with a cloud lady, and the two dance and sing together while birds and kids watch from the grass below. Soon the whole sky fills with cloud drummers and horn players, booming so loud the ground hums under their feet. What happens when the cheerful music turns dark and stormy? Created to align with the UFLI Foundations scope and sequence (Lesson 83: R-Controlled Vowels Review), this book practices words like 'twirl', 'storm', 'dart', 'first', 'story'.

Phonics Focus: R-Controlled Vowels Review

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