

Fig Pig, Brave in the Mine!



Fig Pig stands in a dark mine. He has a pick and a wee lamp.

'I will dig deep in this mine,' he yells. 'I will get fine coal. I am brave!'

And in he trots.

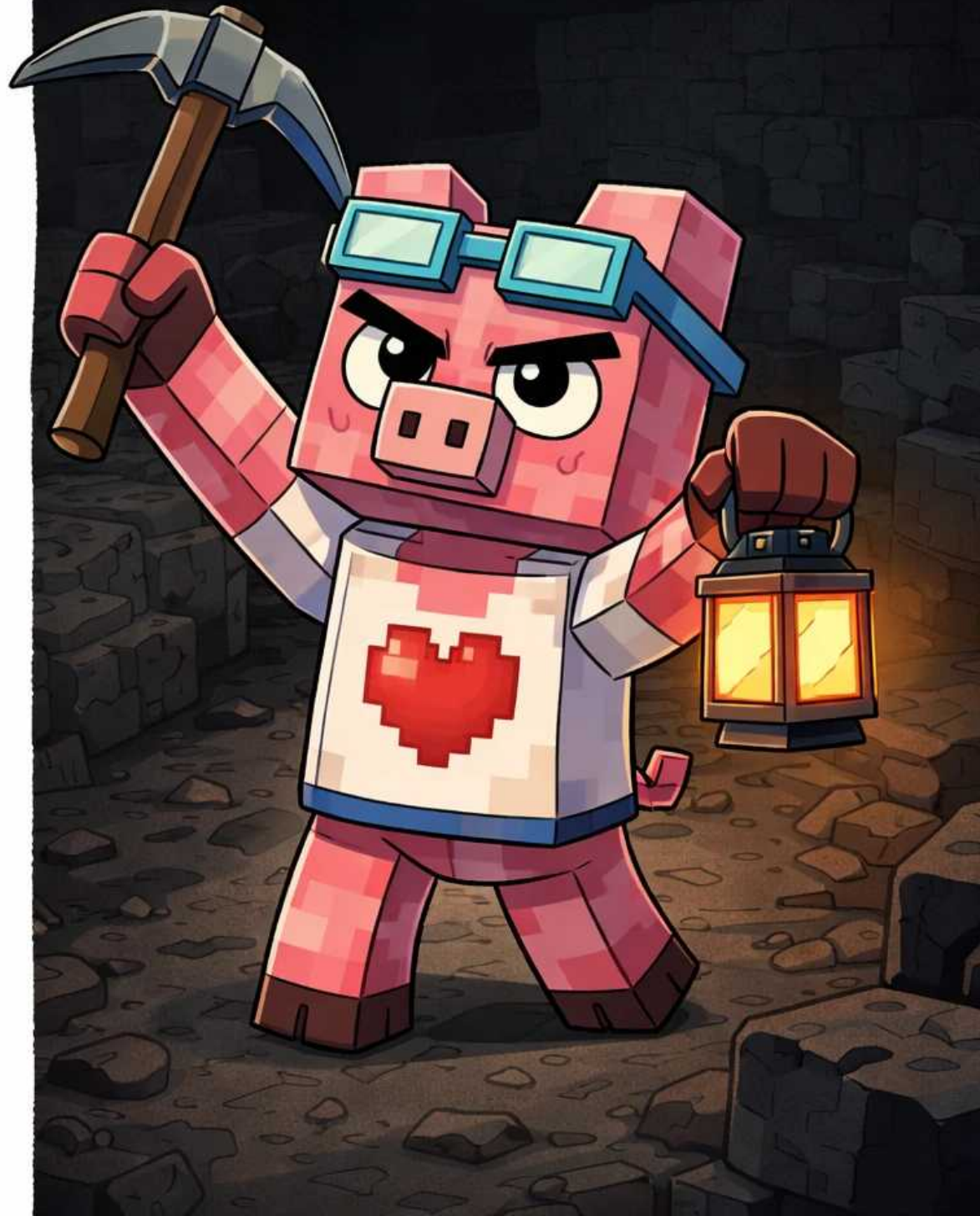




Fig Pig creeps in deep. The mine is vast and dim. Rusty rails run into the shade. 'They dug all this,' he gasps. 'It is a big maze!' He grips his lamp and marches on.

Fig Pig spots a chest. The lid is up. In the chest is a fine sharp blade. 'This is not a crime,' he tells the chest. 'I will just take this blade. It will keep me safe.'





Then Fig Pig stops. A big spider dozes in a thick sticky web! He grips his blade. He takes a step. Step, step, step. The spider dozes on. Quick, Fig Pig! He zips past the web.

The path is thin.
Under the path is a
hot red blaze. 'I am
fine,' pants Fig Pig.
But his legs shake as
he steps. Do not look
in the pit, Fig Pig! He
looks. Big mistake.





At last Fig Pig makes
it outside. Sunshine!
Then he spots a big
red note by the mine.
Run, Fig Pig, run! He
races home. Zoom!
Next time he will
check the note at the
start!



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Fig Pig marches into the old mine with his pickaxe and lamp, sure he'll find the finest coal ever. But the tunnels hide old chests, a sleeping spider, and a path across a fiery blaze. Will he make it back outside safe? Written for Jolly Phonics classrooms (Step 2, Unit 5: magic e (a_e i_e o_e)), this book practices words like 'brave', 'blade', 'safe', 'mistake', 'outside'.

Phonics Focus: <magic> <e> <(a_e i_e o_e)>

blade, blaze, brave, crime, dozes, fine, gripe, home, makes, maze, mine, mistake, note, outside, races, safe, shade, shake, sunshine, take, takes, time

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