

Ned's Time to Shine



Ned has a shed. It is his home, but it looks so drab. 'This place needs help,' Ned tells The Book. The Book has a plan. 'Come with me, Ned. Trust me.'





Ned takes his
tool and sets
off on the path.

The Book glides
with him. 'We go
to the sand,
Ned. Trust me.'

There is a big blue
patch in the sand.

Ned **strikes** it with his
tool. The tool **slides**
in.

'It is soft mud!' yells
Ned. 'Dig, Ned, dig!'
The Book tells him.





Blue orbs pop up from the pit. 'Take a lot, Ned,' The Book tells him. Ned grins. 'I will take them all!' He scoops them all up.

Ned pops a blue orb into the hot box. The blaze is hot. The orb bakes and bakes. Then it is a red brick! 'It is a brick!' yells Ned.





The Book has a
pic in it. It is a
pot! 'Make a pot
with the bricks,
Ned.' Ned smiles.
'A pot! That is a
fine plan.'

Ned makes pot after
pot. He sets the
pots on the grass.

'The pots look
empty,' Ned tells
The Book. 'I need
flowers. Lots and
lots!'





Red and white
flowers are all round
the shed. Ned
makes a beeline for
the best flowers
and grabs a big
fistful. Buzz! 'Did a
bee hum?' asks Ned.

The bees rise up!
The bees are mad!
They chase Ned,
and Ned races
off.
'Run, Ned, run!'
yells The Book.





Slam! Ned is **safe** in the shed.

A bee sits on the grass and **gazes** at him.

'That was not **wise**, Ned,' The Book tells him.

This time Ned is wise. He picks flowers far from the bees. He fills the pots. The pots look so good! 'The blue flowers are the best,' The Book tells him.





The pots shine in the sun. The shed is not drab! 'Ned, we can make a big home next,' The Book tells him. Ned grins. 'Yes! Back to the sand we go!'



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Ned's shed is home, but it's drab and dull, and The Book has a plan to fix it. First they need blue clay from the beach, then bricks from the blaze, then pots for flowers, lots and lots of flowers. But when Ned races through the flower field and grabs a big fistful, will he be safe, or will he hear a buzz he should have listened to? Written for Jolly Phonics classrooms (Step 2, Unit 5: magic e (a_e i_e o_e)), this book practices words like 'shine', 'safe', 'bakes', 'chase', 'time'.

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

bakes, beeline, blaze, chase, fine, gazes, glides, home, make, makes, place, pope, races, rise, safe, shine, site, slides, smiles, strikes, take, takes, time, white, wise

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