

No Rest for Skel

An Unofficial Minecraft Book



Skel has a big list of jobs. He chops and digs. He plants and tends the crop. 'No rest for me,' says Skel. 'I have the **most** jobs of all!'





The sun sets. Skel looks at his old bench. He could sit on it and unwind. 'No,' says Skel. 'I am bold. Rest is not for me.'

'Go and sleep,
Skel!' says Jack.
Jack scolds and
scolds. Zom nods.
'No,' says Skel.
'My mind is set. I
will not rest.'





'I want to hunt,'
says Skel. 'I will
go and find
gold!' Skel bolts
off. Bones trots
along behind
him.

Skel hunts in the
cold hills with
Bones. His gut
gives a grunt. 'We
can't stop,' says
Skel. 'We must
find that gold.'



Skel finds gold! A big pile of gold sits on the grass. But Skel sags. Bones flops flat on the grass. 'I am fine,' says Skel. 'I can **almost** stand up.'



Then Skel looks up. A
wild phantom hangs
in the dim mist. Two
lit spots glint at him.
Phantoms hunt kids
who will not sleep.
Skel gets a **cold** chill.





'Run!' yells Skel. He and Bones bolt for home. The phantoms flap and dash behind them.

Almost home. Almost there. Run, Skel, run!

Bash! Zom swings his blade at a phantom. Jack is bold and holds his blade up.

'Go inside, Skel!' yells Jack. And Skel does as he is told.





Skel is home and safe. He drops his gold in the chest. He flops into his snug bed. 'It is kind of fun to unwind,' says Skel. And at last, Skel can sleep.



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Skel has a mountain of chores and no time to rest, no matter what his friends say. When night falls, he sneaks out anyway, chasing treasure in the hills with his dog by his side. But hunting for gold in the dark keeps him from the one thing he really needs: sleep. What is waiting for him out there in the cold and dark? Created to align with the UFLI Foundations scope and sequence (Lesson 72: Long VCC (-ild, -old, -ind, -olt, -ost)), this book practices words like 'gold', 'behind', 'cold', 'mind', 'told'.

Phonics Focus: Long VCC (-ild/-old/-ind/-olt/-ost)

almost, behind, bold, bolt, bolts, cold, find, finds, gold, holds, kind, mind, most, old, scolds, told, unwind, wild

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