

The Best Bunch

An Unofficial Minecraft Book



Zom is in his
pumpkin patch.
'My pumpkins!' he
says with a grin.
'I check **my** crop
all the time, and
my crop is grand.'





The pumpkins
get big. So big! 'I
will bake cakes,'
says Zom. 'My
cakes will **satisfy**
all **my** pals. Who
can **deny** it?'

The next day, one
pumpkin is lost.

Zom looks at the
flat spot of mud.

'Why?' he says.

'Why is my pumpkin
lost? A sly bandit
did this.'





Skel and Bones
come to help. Bones
sniffs the land,
trying to find a
track.

No luck. 'Why can
we not find one
hint?' asks Skel.

The next day, two
pumpkins vanish.

Zom wants to cry.

'That is it!' he yells.

'I will catch this sly
bandit **myself**. I will
not rest!'





'I will **spy** on the patch at bedtime,' says Zom. 'I will hide, and I will nab the bandit.' 'Will you nap, Zom?' asks Skel. 'Not me,' says Zom.

Zom sits **by** the
pumpkins. The
sky is so dim. He
tries and tries to
spy, but his chin
sags. Zom drifts
off into a nap.





Zom wakes up.
Just one pumpkin
is left! 'Why?' he
yells. 'Why did
they all vanish? I
was **by** them all
this time!'

'We will take shifts
and sit **by** this
pumpkin,' says
Zom. 'I **rely** on it
for seeds. It is **my**
last one.' Skel
nods. 'We will not
let it vanish.'





The pumpkin spins!
It shakes and kicks
up mud. Bones
barks and barks.
'Why is it spinning?'
yells Zom. The land
cracks. 'Do not let
my pumpkin drop in!'

Pop! Up comes the pumpkin,
with legs and a big grin. 'Hi! My
name is Jack. Do not be **shy**,'
he says. 'The rest woke up
and left. I did **try** to stop them!'





'Be with us, Jack!'
says Zom. 'No
cakes for me, but
a new pal is best.'
Jack is glad. At
bedtime, pumpkins
skip by. **Why?** Who
can tell!



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Zom's pumpkin patch grows the biggest crop he's ever seen, and he can't wait to bake his famous cakes. But one morning a pumpkin is gone, with no footprints, no clues, and no sign of a thief anywhere. Why would something sneak in and steal his prize pumpkins one by one? Created to align with the UFLI Foundations scope and sequence (Lesson 73: y /ī/), this book practices words like 'why', 'sly', 'cry', 'try', 'spy'.

Phonics Focus: y /ī/

by, cry, deny, my, myself, rely, satisfy, shy, sky, sly, spy, try, trying, why

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