

The Book Said Dig



Ned and the Magic Book

◆ An Unofficial Minecraft Series ◆



This is Ned. He
has a fine shed
on the hillside.

Ned stands and
smiles in the
sunshine.

Inside the
shed, The Book
flips up. 'It is
time to dig,
Ned!' it says.
'Dig?' asks Ned.





Ned crafts a
spade at the
bench. Snap,
snap, snap!

'I made a fine
spade!' he grins. 'I
like it a lot.'

Ned spins the
spade in the
sunshine. 'Where
can I dig?' he
asks.

'Dig in the sand,'
says The Book.





Ned digs in the
soft sand. He
digs a wide pit.

'I like this!' he
says with a big
smile.

Ned digs and digs
at the hillside. In
no time the pit is
quite wide.

Ned grins with
pride. 'I like to dig!'





Clang! The spade
hits a big rock. The
rock **shines**, but it
will not crack. 'A
spade can't smash
rock, Ned,' says
The Book. 'Rock is
not **like** sand.'

Ned stands in the
pit with The Book.

'What can crack
rock?' he asks.

'It is time to craft,
Ned,' says The
Book.





The Book flips to a plan. Ned crafts at the bench. He takes his time to get it just so. He likes this job.

'It is a pickaxe,'
says The Book.
Ned lifts it up
with pride.

'A pickaxe can
smash rock!' he
grins.





Ned strikes the rock. Crack! It smashes to bits. Ned grins a wide grin. 'I like this pickaxe!'

Ned sits and
smiles in his fine
cave. The lamps
shine. The Book
flips to a plan.
'Dig, Ned, dig!'





The Book Said Dig

Ned builds a fine shovel to dig his very first hole, but soon meets a rock that his shovel just can't crack. Can Ned craft a new tool strong enough to smash it? Created to align with the UFLI Foundations scope and sequence (Lesson 55: i_e /ī/), this book practices words like 'time', 'wide', 'pride', 'smile', 'shine'.

Phonics Focus: i_e /ī/

bite, fine, hillside, inside, like, likes, pride, quite, shine, shines, site, smile, smiles, spine, strikes, sunshine, time, wide

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