

Too Much to Do Today





Dr. Can Do is at home. He points at the carpet.

'Look at this carpet,' he says. 'It is soft wool. So snug! All homes may get one some day.'

Dr. Can Do is at the farm today. The sheep stand by the wood rail.

He has to clip all the sheep. That is a big task!

'There has to be a swift way,' he says.





The sheep stay in snug glass pens in the barn. A rig hums and gathers the wool all day. Soon there is a big stack.

'Done!' says Dr. Can Do. Then he stops. 'Well... not done yet.'

Jill stands with Dr.
Can Do on the
pathway. 'Do not do
it all,' she says.
'Employ some help.
Make a wool shop.'
'Yes!' he says. 'Jill,
that is a grand plan!'





It is sunrise. He
is out on the
ground with a
plan. 'No delay!'
he says. 'I start
the shop today!'
Bang, bang, bang!

The wool shop is done! Shepherd steps in. 'May I get this job?' he asks. 'Yes!' says Dr. Can Do with joy. Shepherd pays Jill for the wool. 'It is payday!' he says with a wink.





Dr. Can Do gazes
into the shop.

Shepherd gathers
the wool and stacks
it in a big pile. All is
well. He may rest
and enjoy the day.

But no! Tap, tap, tap!

Back at home, Dr.
Can Do peeks out
the pane. 'I may
make a big windmill
next!' he says. Jill
yells from the
pathway, 'Take a
holiday!' 'No way!' he
grins. 'Not done yet!'





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Dr. Can Do never stops fixing things - creaky floors, chilly windows, a whole village of problems. Now he's dreaming up a wool shop, hammering away before sunrise while Jill tries to slow him down. Will he ever take a break? Written for Jolly Phonics classrooms (Step 2, Unit 7: ay as in day & oy as in boy), this book practices words like 'today', 'pathway', 'employ', 'holiday', 'delay'.

Phonics Focus: <ay> <oy>

day, delay, employ, enjoy, holiday, joy, may, pathway, payday, pays, say, stay, today, way

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