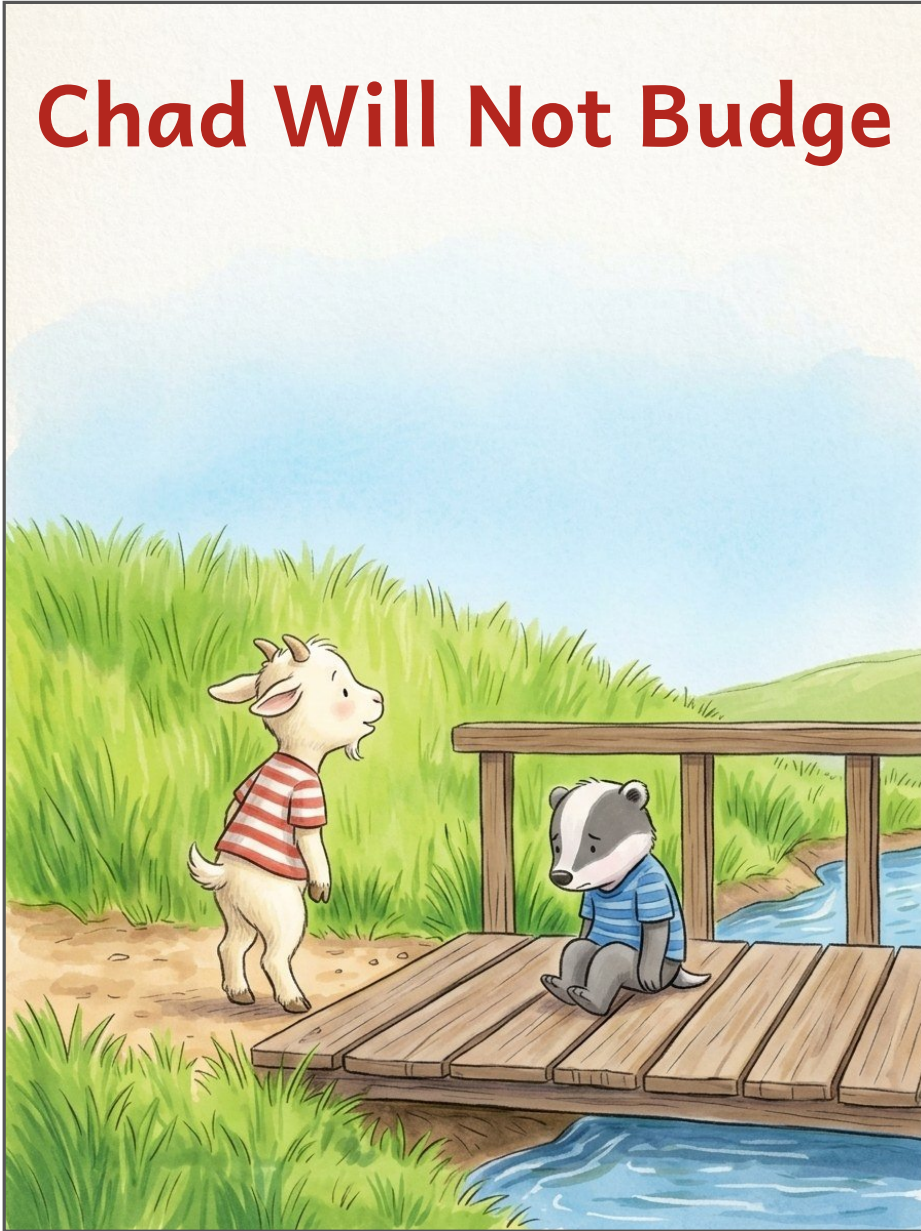


Chad Will Not Budge



Jon trudged to the bridge. He had a plan to munch the lush grass up on the ridge. But Chad sat at the edge of the bridge. "Please let me pass," said Jon.



Chad just sat. He was glum, and he did not budge. Jon nudged Chad. Then he tugged on him. Chad still did not budge. Then Jon bent down to look.



Chad's leg was stuck in a crack! "I will get you out," said Jon. He ran to fetch a thick stick. He set the stick in the crack like a wedge. Then he pushed down.



Pop! Chad's leg was out. "Thank you, Jon!" said Chad. Jon and Chad crossed the bridge together. Up on the ridge, Chad sat in the sun, and Jon munched the lush grass.

Words in This Book

Focus skill

Final -tch and -dge after a short vowel (catch, bridge)

Endings -TCH and -DGE words

trudged, bridge, ridge, edge, budge, nudged, fetch, wedge

High-frequency words

to, the, he, a, was, and

Other story words

Jon, had, plan, munch, lush, grass, up, on, but, Chad, sat, at, of, please, let, me, pass, said, just, glum, did, not, then, tugged, him, still, bent, down, look, leg, stuck, in, crack, I, will, get, you, out, ran, thick, stick, set, like, pushed, pop, thank, crossed, together, sun, munched

Talk About It

1. Where did Jon trudge to?
2. Why did Chad not budge?
3. What did Jon munch up on the ridge?

Read It Again

Read the book again. Point to every word from the Endings -TCH and -DGE list. How many can you find?