

June's Tin Plate Tune



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A Silent E — Long A Decodable Book • Level 3 • 1st Grade

Printable Scholar Readers



June liked to make up tunes.
One day, she taped tin plates to
a frame by the gate.



She held a cane to tap them. "I will make a tune for my pal Nan," said June. June gave each plate a tap.



But the plates were all the same size, so each one made the same dull bonk. Bonk, bonk, bonk!



There was no tune at all. June made a sad face. "This is not a tune. It is just a mess," she said.



Then June had a plan. She went to trade some of her plates. She came back with plates of every size, from huge to small.



She taped them to the frame in a line, from big to small. June gave each plate a tap with her cane.



This time, no two taps were the same. At last, she had a fine tune. Nan came up the path to see.



She stomped and hummed as June played. "What a grand tune!" said Nan. "Can I bring my drum?" June grinned. "Yes! We can make a band!"

Words in This Book

Focus skill

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Silent E — Long A words

make, taped, plates, gate, cane, gave, plate, same, made, face, trade, came

High-frequency words

to, she, a, the, said, was, is, it, and

Other story words

June, liked, up, tunes, one, day, tin, frame, by, held, tap, them, I, will, tune, for, my, pal, Nan, each, but, were, all, size, so, dull, bonk, there, no, at, sad, this, not, just, mess, then, had, plan, went, some, of, her, back, with, every, from, huge, small, in, line, big, time, two, taps, last, fine, path, see, stomped, hummed, as, played, what, grand, can, bring, drum, grinned, yes, we, band

Talk About It

1. What did June tape to a frame by the gate?
2. Why did June's plates all make the same dull bonk?
3. What did June and Nan plan to make at the end?

Read It Again

Read the book again. Point to every word from the Silent E — Long A list. How many can you find?