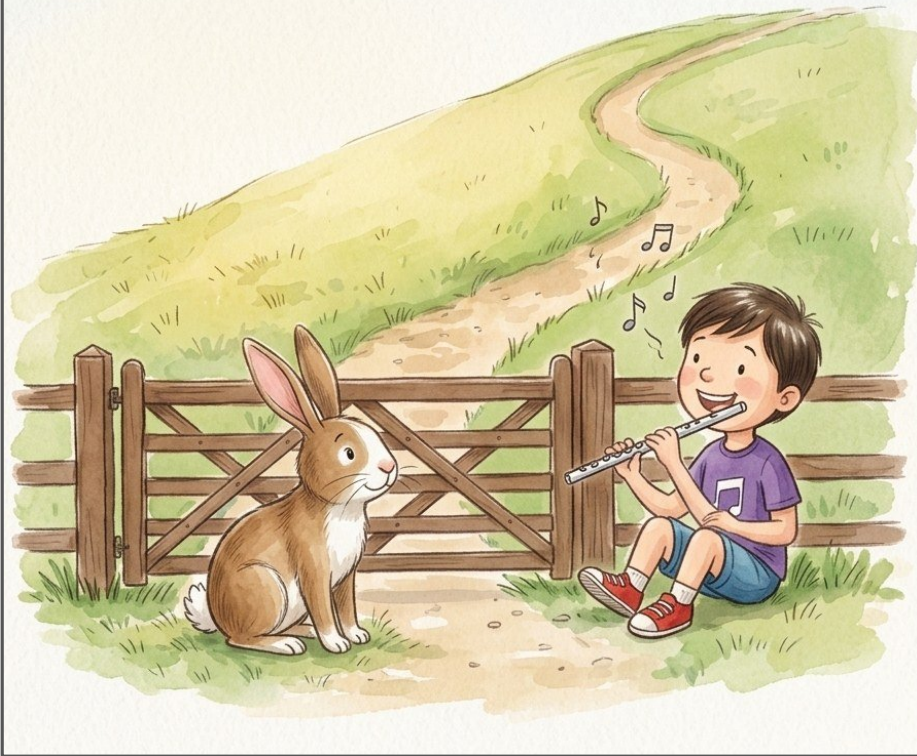


Rex and the Flute



A R-Controlled — EAR and EER Decodable Book • Level 4 • 1st-2nd Grade



Early one day, Rex hopped up the hill to munch on fresh grass. Pete sat down at the gate with his flute. Rex was his dear pet, and Pete liked to keep him near.



Then a thick fog came over the hill. It was white and cold, and it hid the path. Rex wanted to go home, but he could not see the way.



He hopped one way and saw only fog. He hopped the other way and saw more fog. Rex sat still in fear. A tear ran down his nose.



Back at the gate, Pete could not see the hill at all. "Rex!" he called. "Where are you?" Rex did not come. "He did not hear me," Pete said.



"But he might hear my flute." So Pete played a tune, and he played it again and again. Up on the hill, Rex held up his long ears.



He could hear a tune, far away but clear. "That is Pete!" Rex thought. He hopped a little way and stopped to hear it again.



Rex steered by the tune, hop after hop, and it got more and more clear. Soon the fog started to clear. Rex could see the gate, and Pete could see Rex.



"There you are, my dear Rex!"
Pete cheered. He picked Rex up
and wiped the tear from his
nose. "Now I know my flute can
bring you home," Pete said.

Words in This Book

Focus skill

R-controlled ear and eer (hear, deer) and ear saying er
(earth, learn)

R-Controlled — EAR and EER words

early, dear, near, fear, tear, hear, ears, clear, steered,
cheered

High-frequency words

the, to, with, was, and, a, it, he, are, you, said, is

Other story words

one, day, Rex, hopped, up, hill, munch, on, fresh, grass,
Pete, sat, down, at, gate, his, flute, pet, liked, keep,
him, then, thick, fog, came, over, white, cold, hid, path,
wanted, go, home, but, could, not, see, way, saw, only,
other, more, still, in, ran, nose, back, all, called, where,
did, come, me, might, my, so, played, tune, again, held,
long, far, away, that, thought, little, stopped, by, hop,
after, got, soon, started, there, picked, wiped, from,
now, I, know, can, bring

Talk About It

1. Where did Rex hop to munch on fresh grass?
2. Why could Rex not see the way home?
3. What did Pete wipe from Rex's nose at the end?

Read It Again

Read the book again. Point to every word from the
R-Controlled — EAR and EER list. How many can you
find?