

# Scott and the Ice Mice



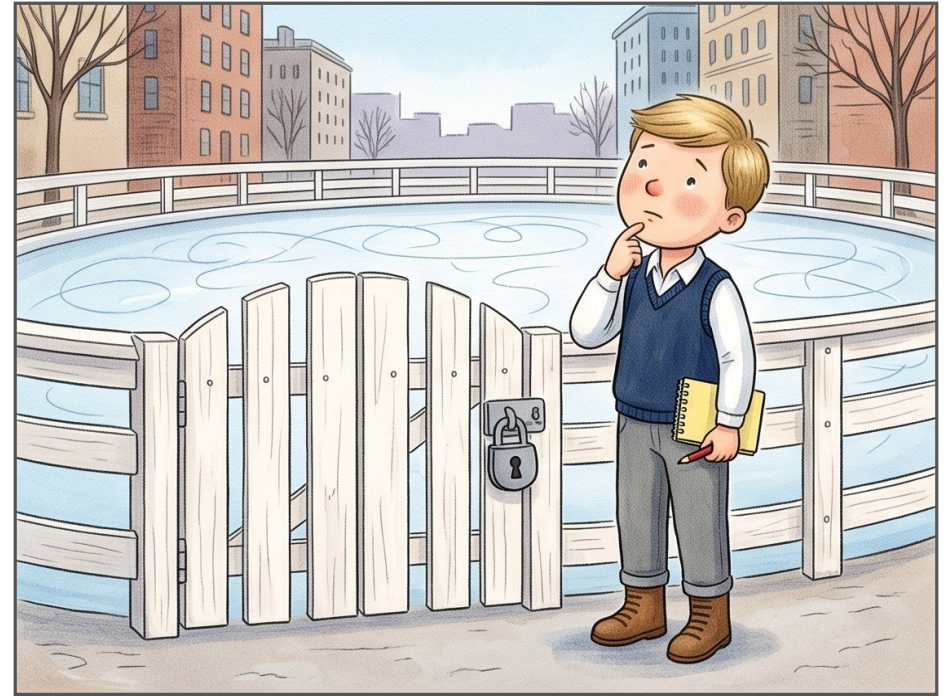
A Soft C Decodable Book • Level 3 • 1st Grade



Scott had a job at the city ice rink. Each day he made the ice flat and slick.



But every day, he found little lines traced all over the ice.  
"Who made these?" Scott asked.



He could not think who it was.  
The gate was locked, and no one came in after six. So Scott made a plan.



When the sun went down, he hid by the fence with his pencil and pad. It was cold. His nose turned red. He sat still for a long time.



Then he heard it. Click-click! Click-click! Jim came out on the ice with nine other mice, and every one had on little skates.



Jim raced around the rink twice.  
The mice made a line and  
danced. One of them spun so  
fast that he fell flat on his face.



He got up with a grin. Scott  
laughed. Jim froze. "Oh no,"  
said Jim. "Are you mad about  
the lines?" "Not a bit," said  
Scott.



"This is the best show in the city! I will save you a place on the ice." Then he wrote it all down on his pad.

## Words in This Book

### Focus skill

Soft C (c says /s/ before e, i, y): cent, city, ice

### Soft C words

city, ice, traced, fence, pencil, mice, raced, twice, danced, face, place

### High-frequency words

a, the, he, and, it, was, said, is

### Other story words

Scott, had, job, at, rink, each, day, made, flat, slick, but, every, found, little, lines, all, over, who, these, asked, could, not, think, gate, locked, no, one, came, in, after, six, so, plan, when, sun, went, down, hid, by, with, his, pad, cold, nose, turned, red, sat, still, for, long, time, then, heard, click, Jim, out, on, nine, other, skates, around, line, of, them, spun, fast, that, fell, got, up, grin, laughed, froze, oh, are, you, mad, about, bit, this, best, show, I, will, save, wrote

## Talk About It

1. Where did Scott have a job?
2. Who came out on the ice with Jim?
3. What did Scott do with his pad at the end?

## Read It Again

Read the book again. Point to every word from the Soft C list. How many can you find?