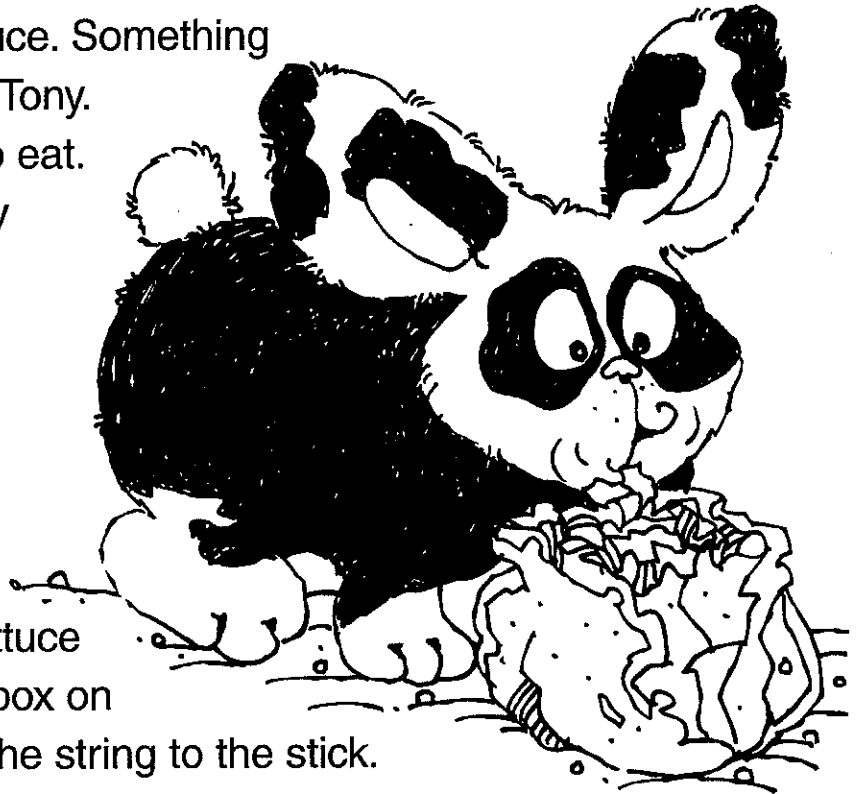


# Boots

“Emma, look at this lettuce. Something is eating up my garden,” said Tony. “I planted this lettuce for us to eat. I’m going to catch that hungry little pest.”

Tony got a box and poked some holes in it. He took the box, a stick, and some string to the garden. Tony set his trap right over a big, green lettuce plant. He set one side of the box on the stick. He tied one end of the string to the stick. Then he hid behind a big plant. Tony held on to the string. He sat and waited a long time.



At last Tony saw the lettuce leaves begin to wiggle. Soon a little pink nose and two eyes peeked out of the green leaves. Tony pulled the string and down came the box. The lettuce eater was caught!

Tony reached under the box and lifted out the little pest. “Emma, come see what I have,” he called.

When Emma got to the garden, she saw a furry rabbit. It was black with little white feet. “Let’s call her Boots,” said Emma. “I think she will make a good pet.”

“I’ll build you a big pen in the backyard,” Tony told Boots.

Boots did make a good pet. When Tony called “Boots!” she came hopping to them. She stood on her back legs to take treats from Emma’s hand. She used the cat’s litter box when she came in the house. And she never went into the garden to eat Tony’s lettuce again!

Name \_\_\_\_\_



### Questions about Boots

1. How did Tony know there was a pest in his garden?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What did Tony use to trap the rabbit?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. How did Tony know when to pull the string on the trap?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Where did Tony build the pen for Boots?

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Circle the things Boots could do.

come when her name was called

use the cat's litter box

climb a tree

open a can of food

take treats from someone's hand

catch mice and bugs

make loud noises

stand on her back legs

6. Why did Emma name the rabbit "Boots"?

\_\_\_\_\_

### Think about It

Pretend you have a pest in your garden.

Think of a way to capture the pest.

On another paper, draw a picture to show what you would do.

Name \_\_\_\_\_



## What Happened Next?

Cut out the sentences below.  
Paste them in order.

1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
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6.	



Tony reached under the box and lifted out the little pest.

Boots never went into the garden to eat Tony's lettuce again.

"Something is eating up my garden," said Tony.

Tony set his trap over a big, green lettuce plant.

Boots was a good pet. She came when Tony called her name.

When Emma got to the garden she saw a furry rabbit.

Name \_\_\_\_\_



## What Does It Mean?

Circle the answer.

1. In this story **Boots** means
  - a. a name for a pet
  - b. something to wear on your feet
2. In this story **pet** means
  - a. to rub gently
  - b. an animal kept as a friend
3. In this story **treat** means
  - a. to give medicine to a sick person
  - b. a snack
4. In this story **plant** means
  - a. something growing in the garden
  - b. a factory

## Opposites

Write the opposites of these words.

- |           |       |           |       |
|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| 1. she    | _____ | 6. sick   | _____ |
| 2. in     | _____ | 7. back   | _____ |
| 3. came   | _____ | 8. come   | _____ |
| 4. good   | _____ | 9. little | _____ |
| 5. hungry | _____ | 10. tie   | _____ |

### Word Box

out	he	big	full	go
went	bad	untie	front	well

Name \_\_\_\_\_



## The Sound of K

All of these words have the sound **k**.  
A different letter or letters make the sound in each word.

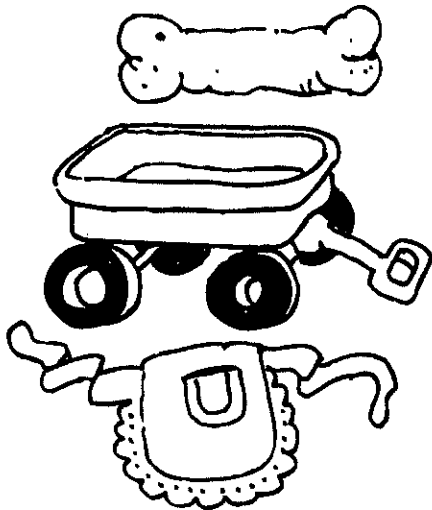
come      stick      kite

Write the letters that make the sound **k** in these words.

- |           |           |           |       |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| 1. back   | <u>ck</u> | 6. look   | _____ |
| 2. hike   | _____     | 7. came   | _____ |
| 3. called | _____     | 8. duck   | _____ |
| 4. coat   | _____     | 9. kitten | _____ |
| 5. block  | _____     | 10. kick  | _____ |

## Who Owns It?

Add 's to these names.  
Draw a line to what they own.



- Tony \_\_\_\_\_ lettuce  
Emma \_\_\_\_\_ apron  
Ruff \_\_\_\_\_ bone  
rabbit \_\_\_\_\_ carrot  
Ramon \_\_\_\_\_ mitt  
Lee \_\_\_\_\_ wagon



Name \_\_\_\_\_



## Tony

Write about a time in the story when Tony felt this way.

2. Tony was angry when \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Tony was smart when \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Tony was surprised when \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Tony was kind when \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Tony was happy when \_\_\_\_\_

