

A Cat at Home

This is a cat.

A cat has soft fur.

A cat has sharp eyes.

A cat likes to nap.

A cat likes warm spots.

A cat can jump up high.

A cat can land on its feet.

A cat listens.

A cat watches.

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Session 1 - Reading to

You read the text to them. They listen.

After reading, these questions are optional. They focus on what the text is about and one key fact about cats.

What is this text about?

You might hear - A cat. Cats.

If not - Reread the first line and leave it there.

What is one thing the text tells us about cats?

You might hear - They have fur. They like to nap. They can jump.

If not - Point to any one line and reread it. Then stop.

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Session 2 - Echo reading

You read one line. They repeat it back.

After reading, these questions are optional. They focus on noticing a clear detail.

What is the cat's fur like?

You might hear - Soft. Furry. It's soft.

If not - Reread the line, "A cat has soft fur." and move on.

Does that sound right to you?

You might hear - Yes.

If not - Nod together and finish.

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Session 3 – Choral reading

You read the story together at the same time.

After reading, these questions are optional. They focus on what the cat likes and what it can do.

What does the cat like to do?

You might hear - Nap. Be warm.

If not - Reread the lines starting with “A cat likes to ...” and stop.

What can the cat do with its body?

You might hear - Jump. Land.

If not - Point the lines about jumping and landing, reread one of them, and finish.

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Session 4 – Partner reading

Take turns reading one sentence each.

After reading, these questions are optional. They focus on remembering key facts and what the text shows about cats.

What fact do you remember?

You might hear - It has fur. It can jump.

If not - That's okay. Point to one fact and reread it.

What do we learn about cats from this text?

You might hear - They like warm spots. They watch.

If not - Say one thing together and end the session.

If this feels manageable, the story bundles continue the same structure without extra planning.