

# How a Swing Moves

A swing does not move on its own. It needs a push.

When someone pushes the swing, it moves forward. Then it moves back.

Each push gives the swing more energy. That energy makes the swing go higher.

When the pushing stops, the swing slows down. It does not stop straight away.

Air and gravity pull against the swing. Each time it moves, it loses a little energy.

After a while, the swing comes to rest. It waits for the next push.

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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 starts the swing moving and what happens next.

#### **What does a swing need to start moving?**

You might hear - A push. Someone to push it.

If not - Point to the sentence “A swing does not move on its own. It needs a push.” Reread and stop.

#### **What happens after the swing moves forward?**

You might hear - It moves back.

If not - Point to “Then it moves back.” Reread and finish.

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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 energy and what it does to the swing.

#### **What does each push give the swing?**

You might hear - Energy.

If not - Point to the sentence “Each push gives the swing more energy.” and reread it.

#### **What does that energy do?**

You might hear - It makes the swing go higher.

If not - Reread the sentence “That energy makes the swing go higher.” You can stop there.

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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 happens when pushing stops and why the swing slows down.

#### **What happens when the pushing stops?**

You might hear - It slows down.

If not - Reread the sentence “When the pushing stops, the swing slows down.”

#### **Why doesn't the swing stop straight away?**

You might hear - It still has energy.

If not - Reread the sentence “Each time it moves, it loses a little energy.” Then stop.

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### **Session 4 – Partner reading**

Take turns reading one sentence each.

After reading, these questions are optional. They focus on what makes the swing lose energy and how the text ends.

#### **What makes the swing lose energy?**

You might hear - Air. Gravity.

If not - Point to the sentence “Air and gravity pull against the swing.”

Reread it and move on.

#### **What is the swing doing at the end of the text?**

You might hear - It waits. It comes to rest.

If not - Point to the sentence “After a while, the swing comes to rest.”

Reread it and finish there.

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