





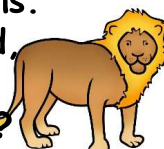












# If you're stuck on a word...

- Don't guess!
- **Find** the vowel. Is it short or long?
- **Find** the first sound and say it. What is the last sound? What does it say?
- **Touch** each letter. Say each sound out loud. Blend them together to read the word.
- **Look** for patterns: Is there a blend, digraph or word family you know? Touch or trace them. What sounds do they make?
- Is it a larger word? **Break** the word into syllables. Trace or touch the letters.
- OR... **Break** the word down by parts. **Find** the root or base. Try boxing or covering the prefix or suffix. Read the parts. Then, read the whole word.
- **Read** the word or the word in the sentence. **Check** for meaning.

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