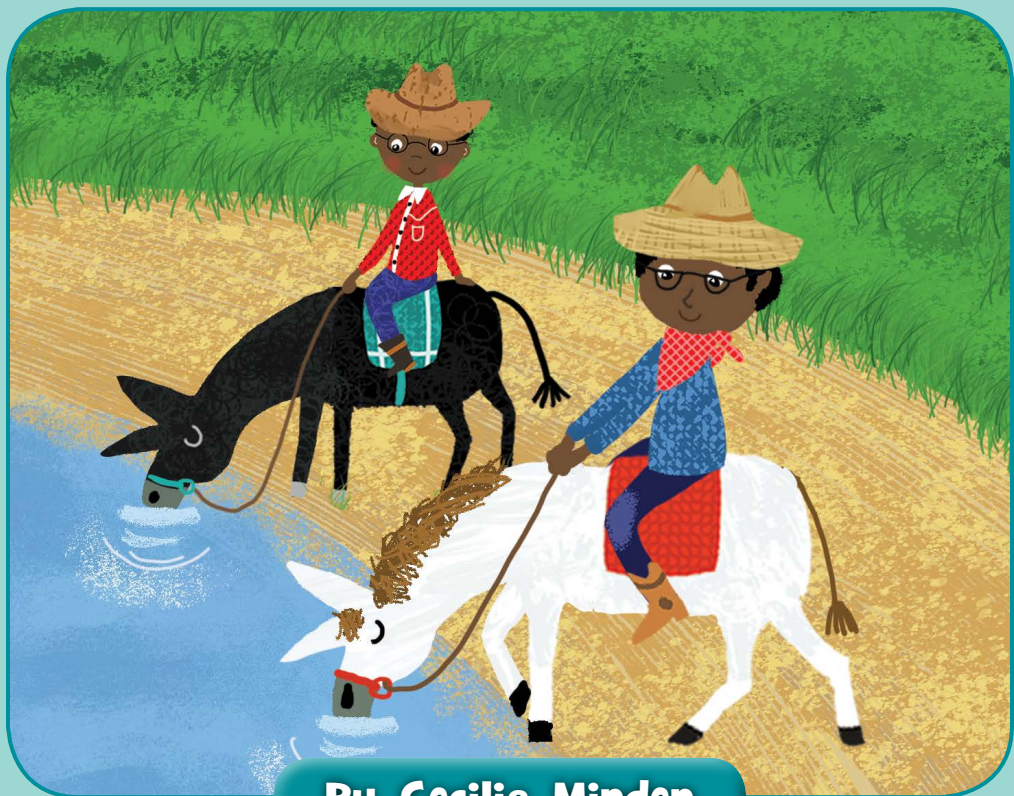


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Word List

long a words

care
graze
named
staying
take
Zane

long i words

ride
riding
time
white

long u words

Brute
Cruse
dude
Jude
Luke
mule
mule's
mules
rule



101 Words

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