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THE SHAPE GAME

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 **Learning**

How to use this book

This book introduces the spelling <a-e> for the sound /ae/.

Check the reader knows this spelling before reading the book.

a-e

Encourage the reader to read the words by blending the sounds together from left to right throughout the word.

Reading Practice

came

mate

pale

bale

made

game

cake

pale

state

brake

rake

shave

skate

crate

TREASURE BAY

Vocabulary

- scraped – dragged a sharp implement across a surface
shame – disappointing, not good
fake – not real
gazed – looked at something for a long time
escape – get free
drenched – made extremely wet

The characters in this book are:

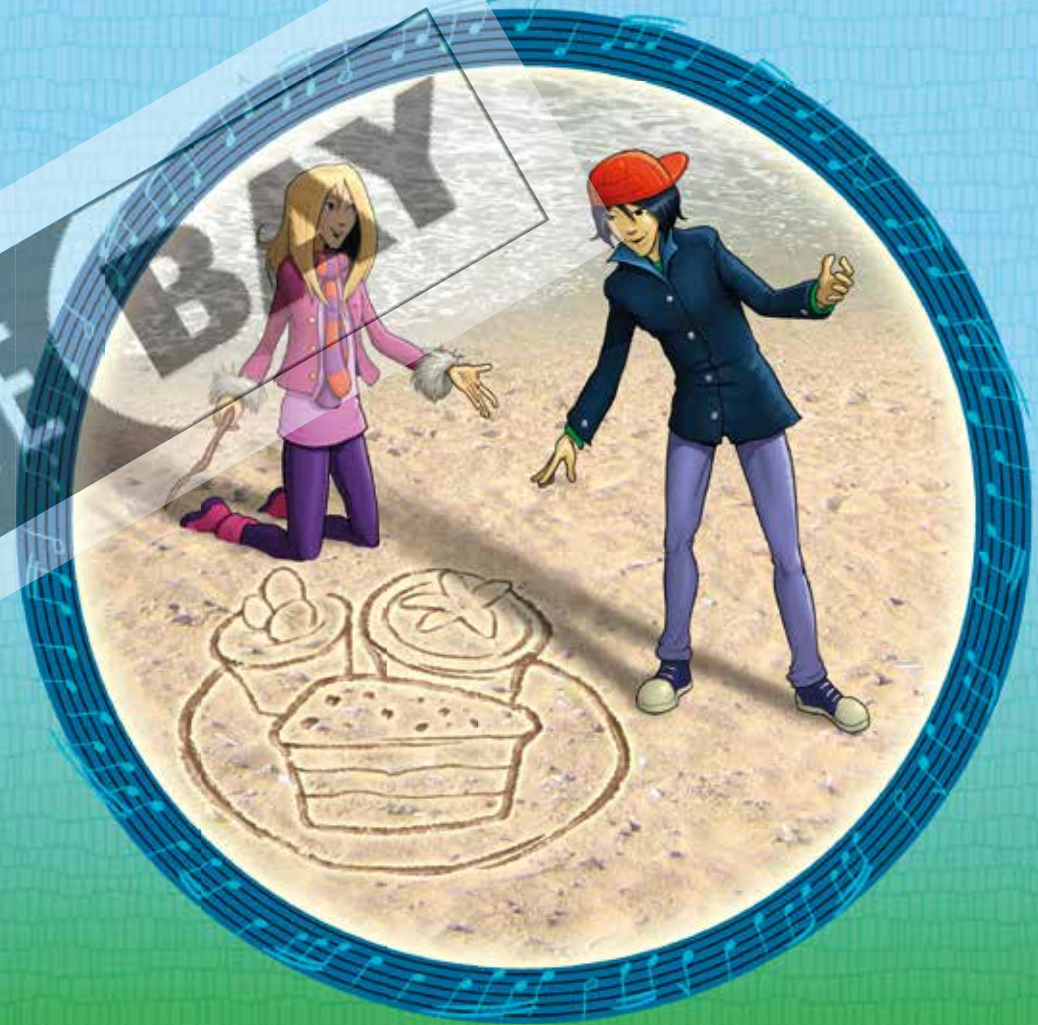
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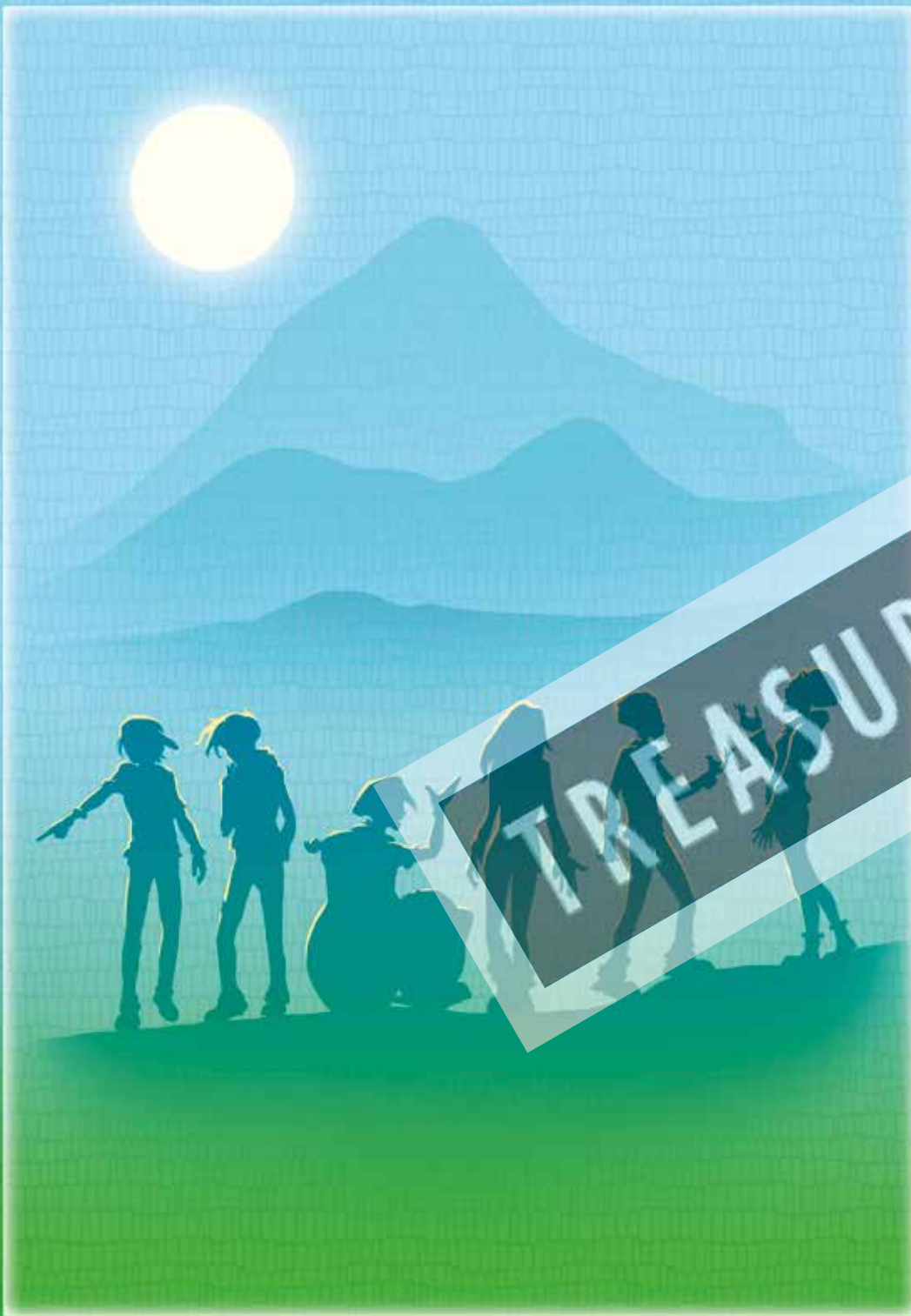


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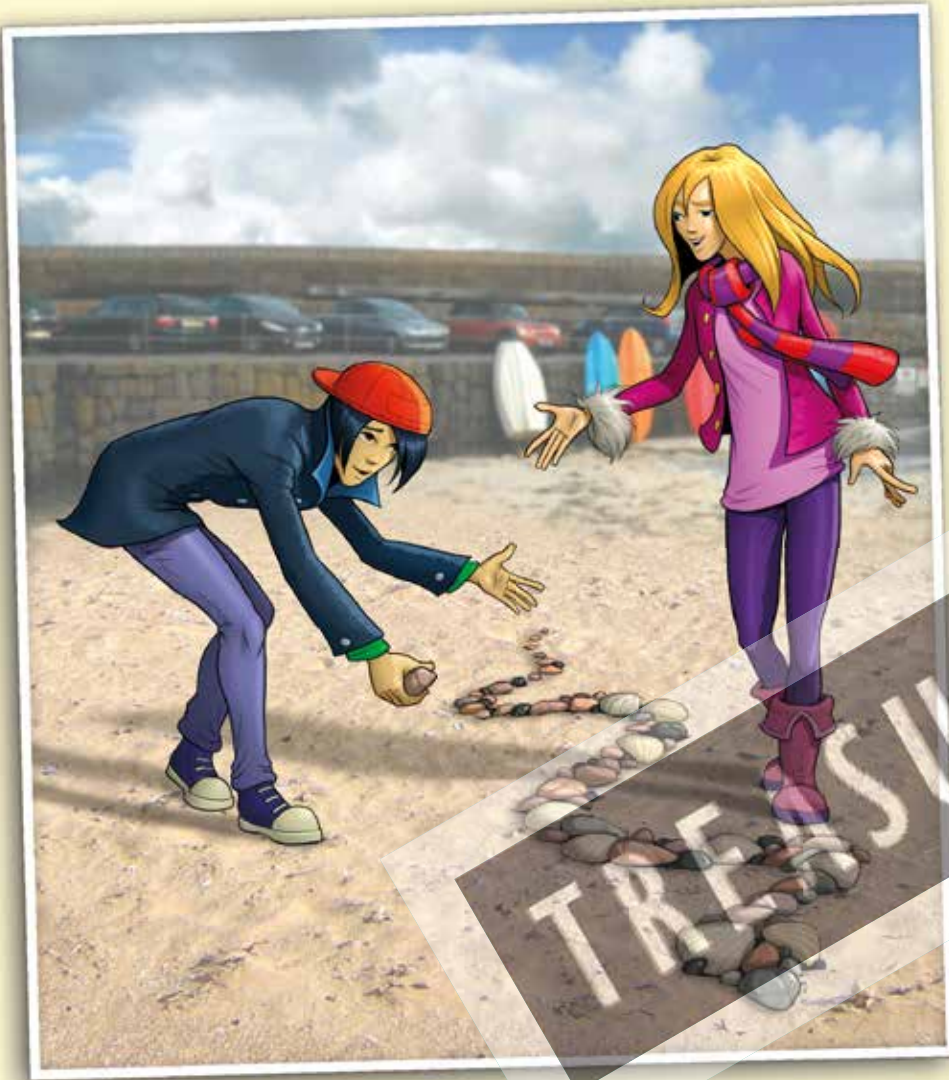
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The bus was late. Sim came up with a game.

“Let’s guess the shape!” he said.



Sim made a shape in the sand with pebbles and shells. "It's a snake!" said Tam. "Yuck! I hate snakes!"

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Tam scraped a shape in the sand. "A plate of cakes!" said Sim. "Shame it's just fake cakes!"

3



Sim gazed up at Tam. “Tam, wave!” he yelled. Tam waved at him. “Wave? Wave like this?” she said.



“No,” yelled Sim. “It IS a wave!” It was too late to escape! The wave drenched them!



Then the bus came along. “We’re safe on the bus!” said Tam. “This bus is the best shape in the game!”

Questions for discussion:

- What does Sim make in the sand?
- What does Tam make in the sand?
- Why doesn't Tam see the wave?



JUMPING JACK GAME



This is a game for two players. Each player has three counters, each set a different color. Players choose to be Yellow or Blue and place one counter on each of their colors. Players take turns to move a counter by sliding it into an adjacent space or by jumping over their opponent's counter into an empty space. When a player lands on a word, he/she must read the word aloud. The winner is the first player to get all three of his/her counters in a straight line.

Reading game with <a-e> words

This game includes some two-syllable words. Choose the words suitable for the level of the reader. Play as Concentration or use for reading practice. Enlarge and photocopy the page twice on two different colors of card. Cut the cards up to play. Ensure the players sound out the words.

male	hate	pale
cave	made	state
rate	same	stale
brake	take	shade
mane	haze	game



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