

So cool!

Talk to your child about the story:

Do you ever dream of having a place where you can invite your friends over and do what you want, eat what you want

Begin by reading the story words. Can your child 'Fred' in their head ... in other words can they sight read the words or silently decode them and then say the word out loud?

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Remember, you can't 'Fred' a red! Use the first sound as a clue.

Underlined sounds show 'special friends' where 2 letters = 1 sound.

The words with arrows show how to break words into syllables to make them easier to read. You could clap each syllable, then say / sound each part, then try to read the whole word.

Now you are ready to read the story.

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When I grow up, I will get my own flat.

I will have:



- a big playroom
- a bedroom with bunk beds – I will sleep on top and Big Fluff can sleep on the bottom bunk
- sheets and pillows with rockets on them
- no bathroom
- a big swimming pool
- lots of pets, three dogs and a kangaroo, and six cockatoos on the roof
- all the right food – bowls of pasta with cheese and lots of sweets (no beetroot and no mushrooms)

My flat will be cool.

It will be so cool!

When I grow up ...



We encourage the children to read the story at least twice so we know they are familiar with it. Then use the text to help answer these questions. Prove your answer by finding the evidence in the text.

+ What does she want to have in her bedroom?

+ What pets would she keep?

+ What would she cook?

+ Do you think she will change her mind when she is older? Explain your answer.

Talk about vocabulary:

bunk beds: one bed on top of another

cockatoo: a bird that's part of the parrot family

cool: fashionably impressive, calm, or agree

Punctuation in this story:

Full stop at the end of each sentence.

Capital letters to begin each new sentence

! ... exclamation mark to show strong feeling, excitement in this story

... ... wait and see what's coming next