



## **Instructions for The Magic Stories:**

*Each Story Set contains:*

40 Flashcards - containing the 'Naughty Forty' words that may be more difficult or challenging

1 Black and White Storybook - this can be printed on plain paper, colored paper, or viewed on a tablet screen.

4 Worksheets: Maze, Finish The Sentence, Imagine, and Finish The Story.

The cards, books and worksheets can be printed in black and white on plain paper (great for coloring in!), printed on color paper for coding, or viewed on a tablet.

*Optional Assessment and Downloads Found Under Free Resources:*

Pre & Post Sight Word Assessment Worksheet for each book set

Running Record Evaluation Worksheet for each book set

*And for classroom use there is a class-recording sheet to keep track of multiple students.*

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

The Magic Stories work in sequential order, so please start with Book One and work your way through the series up to Book 6.

These directions remain the same for each set within the series. Please repeat the same process through each of the six books. The pace you set will be determined by your child's reading level. The worksheets are optional - they are there to offer additional reading comprehension and creative writing experiences for your child. Use them all or pick and choose which you feel fits best with your schooling program.

If choosing to use the free assessment and evaluation tools, please print the pre and post sight word assessment and running record worksheets for the book. Have your child read through the pre and post sight word assessment list first and check off any words they know before beginning. This is a great tool for evaluating your child's vocabulary acquisition growth as you review this worksheet in the same manner after completing the book and accompanying exercises. There is also a Running Record worksheet which assess reading fluency. This can also be used to assess your child's reading accuracy and timing before and mark the improvement after completing the set.

A deck of printable flashcards accompanies each of the six storybooks. Each deck contains 40 words, and a sentence in which that word is used. We call these words "The Naughty Forty" as these are some of the more difficult words the child will encounter when reading the accompanying storybook. A review of the "Naughty Forty" words should be shared with your child before he/she independently reads the story to ensure that all the words are known and understood once the reading begins. You can do this by traditional flashcard method, or for those who like the "game" aspect, you can print out the cards twice, and turn these flashcards into a memory card matching game. If you utilized the pre and post sight word assessment worksheet, you will only need to review the words with which your child is unfamiliar. Have a thorough review of these words before giving the child the story to read.

The books are meant to be independent readers, designed to build confidence and further ignite your child's love of reading. Once read, they can be read and re-read as often as you and your child want!

The Magic Stories are supported by four individual student reading and writing comprehension exercises, per book, in the form of worksheets. These are: Maze, Finish The Sentence, Imagine, and Finish The Story. There is one set for each of the six storybooks. These are to be completed by the student once the storybook has been read.

**Maze:** A fun comprehension maze that asks True and False questions about the content of the story. A correct answer moves you through the maze while an incorrect answer loops the child back.

**Finish The Sentence:** A writing prompt exercise that has your child complete a sentence based on information in the story.

**Imagine/Real & Imaginary:** This exercise prompts your child to use his/her imagination and think through different scenarios related to the story.

**Finish the Story:** This exercise provides prompts for a creative writing exercise.

Once completed, re-review the pre and post sight word assessment worksheet to see how many words your child now easily recognizes. Please also re-review the running record sheet, to check for time and accuracy and to see how your child has improved.

Should you have any questions or comments, please email [info@thereadinggame.com](mailto:info@thereadinggame.com)