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# The Tub

Lil is in bed. She just had a nap. She thinks, "I want a bath." She goes into the hall. She goes to the tub. She stops. There is a big hulk in the bath tub.

"What are you?" she asks. "You smell."



*There is a big hulk in the bath tub.*

“I am a musk ox. Yes. I smell. I want a bath,” the musk ox says.

Lil has not met a musk ox. And she has not had a musk ox in her tub. She goes into the hall. She says to her mom, “There is a musk ox in the tub.”

“Yes. I let him in. He must have a bath. Will you help him with a bath? I must go to the shop to get nuts and plums.”

Lil goes to the musk ox. She asks, “What do I do with a musk ox?”

“Do you have grass? I like grass,” the musk ox says. He licks his lips.

"We have grass, but not in the tub. You are in the tub. You said you want a bath," Lil says.

"Yes. I have mud on my legs," the musk ox says.

"I can not get the tap to run. Can you help me?" the musk ox asks.

“Yes,” Lil says. She gets the tap to run. “Do you want suds? It will help get rid of the mud.”

“Yes, yes, yes!” the musk ox says.

# **Suds**

Lil gets the bath suds.  
She puts a bit in the tub.  
The musk ox is big. The  
musk ox is big, big, big.  
She puts in lots and lots of  
bath suds.

“Thank you,” the musk  
ox says.

"Can you rub the suds on me? I do not have hands. I can not rub the suds on me," the musk ox says.

Lil rubs the suds on the musk ox. He has lots of mud on his legs. She rubs his back, neck, and chest. He has lots of mud there.



*Lil rubs the suds on the musk ox.*

"Thank you. I like that. Can you rub my neck? I think there is still mud on my neck," says the musk ox.

Lil rubs his neck. She does not think he has mud on his neck. She thinks he wants to get a neck rub.

# Grass

“You had a bath. You do not smell. What does a musk ox do when it does not have mud on its legs?”

Lil asks.

“I get grass. Do you have grass?” the musk ox asks.

“Not in the tub. We must go to the back lot,”  
Lil says.

The musk ox steps from the tub. The musk ox goes into the hall.

The musk ox is big. He is as tall as Lil. "Do all musk ox get as big as you?" Lil asks.

"Yes, but I am not as big as a yak," the musk ox says.

"Have you met a yak?"  
Lil asks.

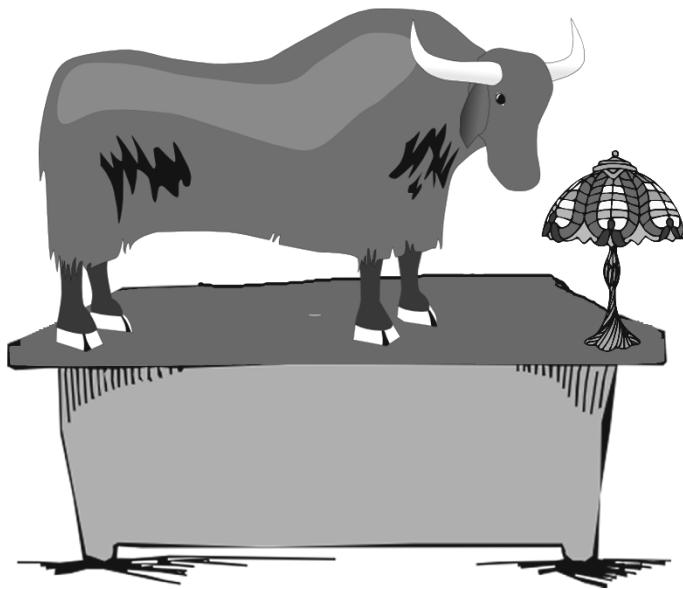
“I think Tren the yak is  
in the den,” the musk ox  
says.

# **Yak In The Den**

Lil runs to the den. A yak is on the desk.

“Is there a musk ox here?” Tren the yak asks.

“He just had a bath,”  
Lil says.



*A yak is on the desk.*

Tren the yak nods. "I am glad. He stunk. I would like grass. I do not see grass in here. Do you have grass?" she asks.

"Yes. In the back lot. Do you want to go there?" Lil asks.

"Thank you. I would like that," Tren the yak says. She steps from the desk. She hits a lamp. It falls with a crash.

The yak stops. She sees the lamp on the rug. "That is bad. What do I do? I must pick it up, but I do not have hands."

"I will pick it up," Lil says. She gets a dust bin. She picks up the bits of glass. "Would you like to go into the back lot? You can have grass there."

# Frank

Tren the yak goes into  
the hall with the musk ox.

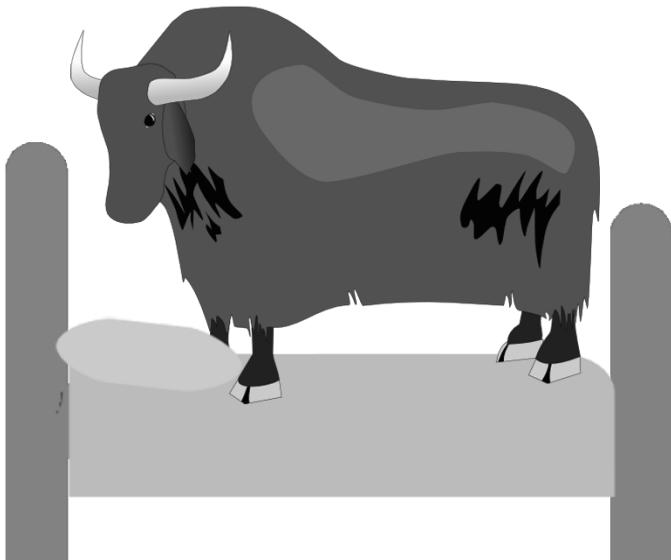
“Can you tell me where  
the rest of the yaks are?”

Tren the yak asks the  
musk ox.

“There are lots of yaks  
here?” Lil asks.

“Frank the yak is here,” says the musk ox. “I think he went to have a nap.”

Lil runs to Mom and Dad’s bed. There is a yak in it. A big yak. A big, big, big, big yak. He is as tall as Lil’s dad “What is up?” Lil asks.



*Lil runs to Mom and Dad's bed. There is a yak in it.*

"I had a nap," Frank the yak says. "Do you have grass?"

"Yes. In the back lot. The musk ox and Tren the yak are in the hall. They would like grass. Do you want to get grass? Do you want to go to the back lot?" Lil asks.

"Is it yum grass or bad grass?" Frank the yak asks.

Lil thinks. "I have not had the grass. I can not say if it is yum or bad," she says.

"OK. I will see," Frank the yak says. He gets up from the bed and goes into the hall.

"We must go to the back lot. There is grass there," Frank says to Tren the yak and the musk ox.

Lil goes into the hall. There are lots of big hulks in the hall. "Are all of you here?" Lil asks.

"All the yaks are here," Tren says.

"I am glad," Lil says.  
"But Tom is not here," the musk ox says.

"You said all the yaks are here," Lil says.

"Tom is not a yak. He is an elk," Tren says.

“Where is Tom?” Lil asks.

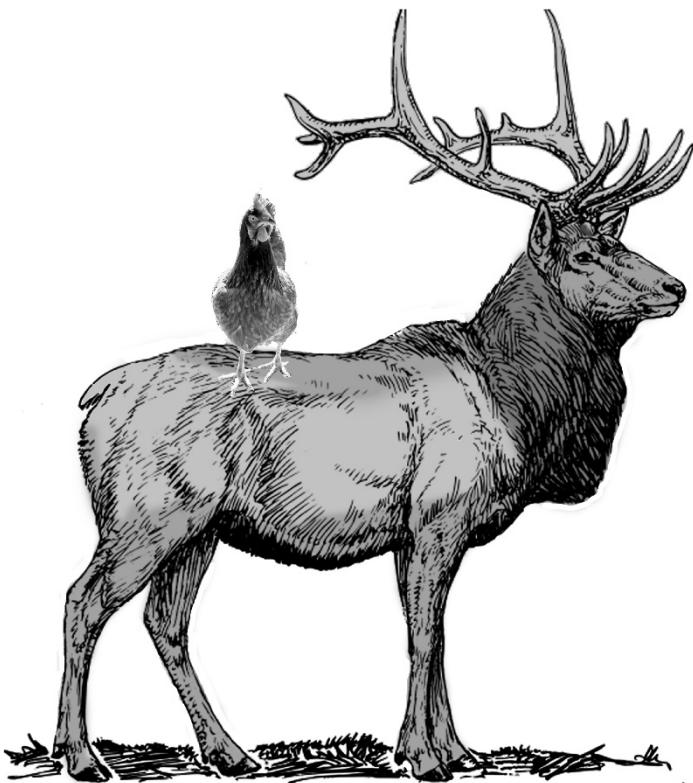
“I think he is in the hen pen,” Tren the yak says.

“The hen pen is in the back lot. You can go to the back lot. You can get grass. I will see if Tom is with the hens,” Lil says.

# The Back Lot

They all go to the back lot. There is lots of grass. "It is yum grass," Frank the yak says. The yaks and musk ox run to the grass.

Lil goes to the hen pen. There is an elk in it. He has a hen on his back.



*Lil goes to the hen pen. There is an elk in it.  
He has a hen on his back.*

“Can I help you?” Lil asks.

“Could you?” the elk asks. “I do not see my pals.”

“They are there. In the grass,” Lil says.

Tom the elk sees his pals. “There you are. I am glad to see you,” he says.

Tom runs to the yaks and musk ox.

“The grass is yum. You will like it,” Tren the yak says.

The elk, yaks and musk ox snip the grass. Lil sits. She did not get a bath. The yak got the lamp in bits. There are big hulks in her back lot.

Lil's mom is still at the shop. Lil calls her mom, "We have an elk, yaks and a musk ox in the back lot. Is it OK a yak got the lamp in bits?"

"It is OK the lamp is in bits. I will get lots of cress and plums," her mom says. "I will be there fast."

Lil sits. The elk, yaks and musk ox snip the grass. The hens peck in the pen. Her mom will get lots of plums. Lil is glad there was a musk ox in her tub.

## Sight Words used in "MUSK OX IN THE TUB"

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