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Specified considerations include endings -s: two-syllable decodable words plural ending -s; intellec^htional endings -ed, -ing, -er; possessive s;

New high-frequency word before

Reviewed story word happy

Story words find, kingdom, longer, shining, single, thing

Reviewed phonetic elements long vowel Vce patterns; consonant digraphs sh, ck

ring, sang, sing, song, spring

Words with new phonics elements band brincia dina doña flina anna anna king lana

New phonetic element in a diagraph

ELEMENTS USED IN THIS BOOK



The king of Ding Dong
looked at his hand.

“Help!” he said.

“I have lost my ring!
I must have dropped it in the mud.”

“Do not linger,” said the king.
to look for the ring.
All the king’s men came to Ding Dong
“Go dig up all the mud.
You must find my ring!”





The king hired a gang of men
to look for his ring.

“Dig up all the mud in the kingdom.
You must find my ring!” said the king.

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sing a happy song,” he said.
It is the only thing that will make me
“Bring me my ring.
He could not eat a single bite of cake.
The king was sad.





All the people in the kingdom
wanted the king to be happy.
They baked him all the things he liked.
But bringing these things did not make
the king happy.

The king was still not happy.
The ring was still missing.
Before long it was spring.





A robin looked down.
It saw a shape shining in a pile of mud.
It was the king's ring.
The robin picked up the ring.

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It landed next to the king.
Robin flung the ring.
It sang out, "I have your ring."
The robin went to see the king.





The king sang out.

“I have my ring back,” he said.
“Bang the gong and tell
all the kingdom.”

The king was happy.
He sang a happy song.
“Bring me good things to eat,” he said.
“Let’s all sing,” said the king.
They sang song after song
with the happy king.

