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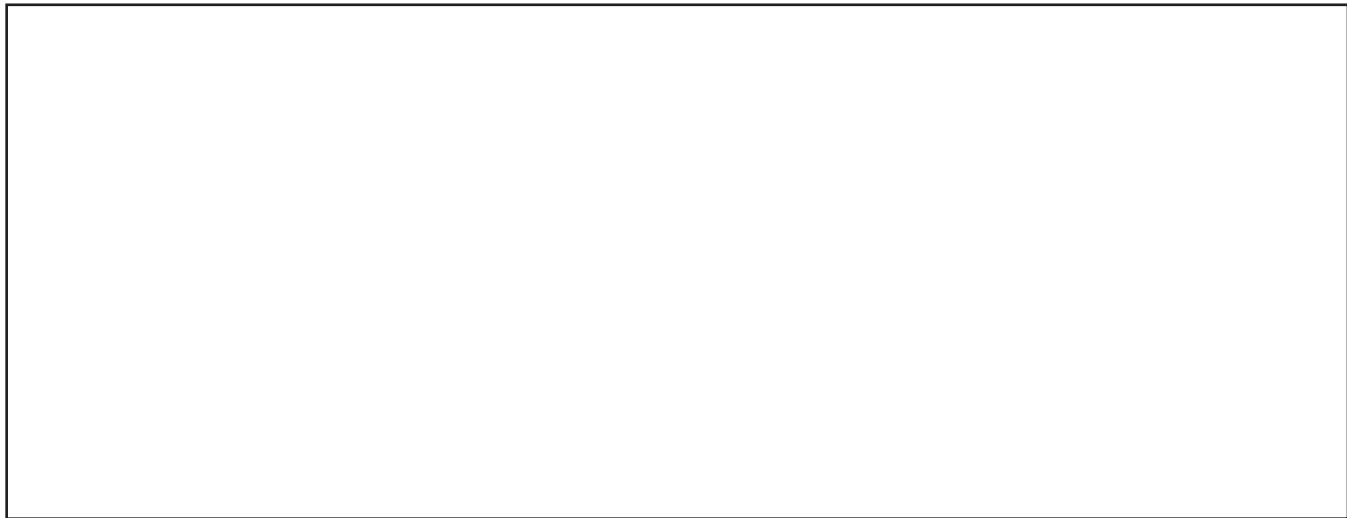
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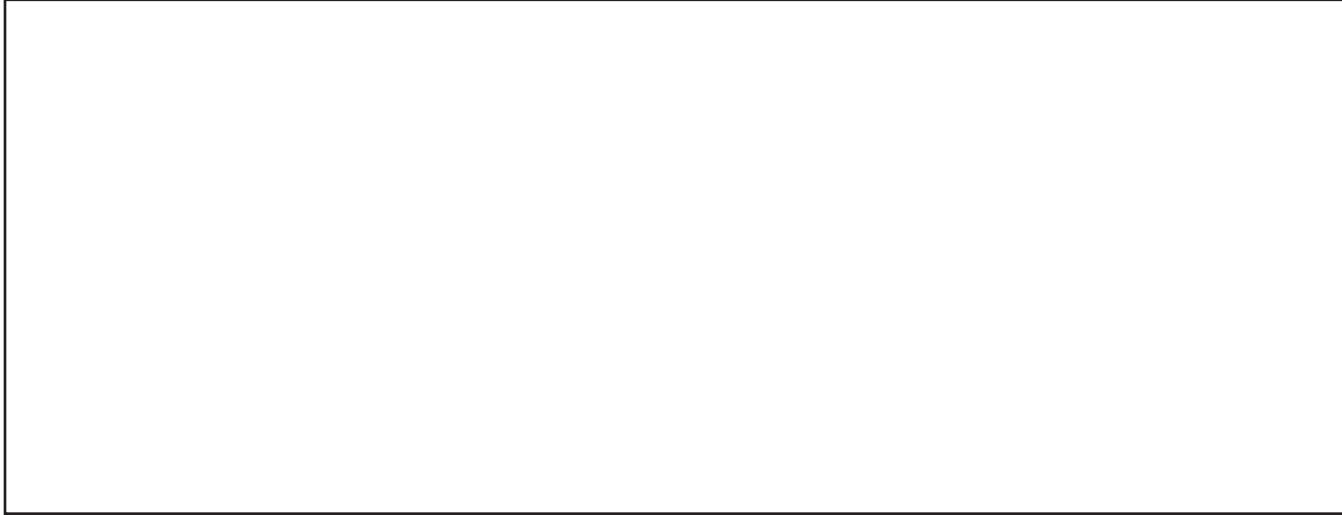
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ELEMENTS USED IN THIS BOOK

New phonic element *r*-controlled /â/: air, are, ear

Words with new phonic element bear, care, chair, dare, fair, hair, hare, mare, pair, rare, share, stare, swear, wear

Reviewed phonic elements diphthongs; *r*-controlled ô

Story words declare, square

Review story words people

Special considerations inflectional endings -ed, -s, -ing, -y, -ly;
two-syllable decodable words

roared the hairy bear.

"How dare you stare at a bear in pink shorts?"

"Now that really is a rare bear."

"I declare," said the hare.



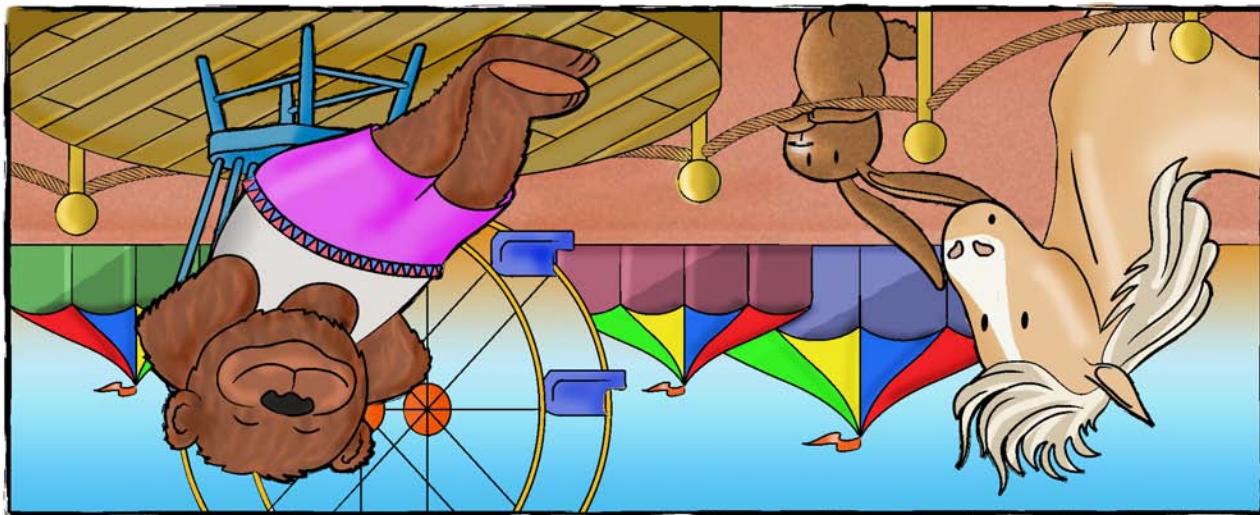
A brown hare and a very fair mare
lived in a field.

They munched on grass.
They did not have a care.

to see the bear.

So the hare and the mare went to the fair

“I must see this bear,” said the hare.



The hare and the mare
shared their food.

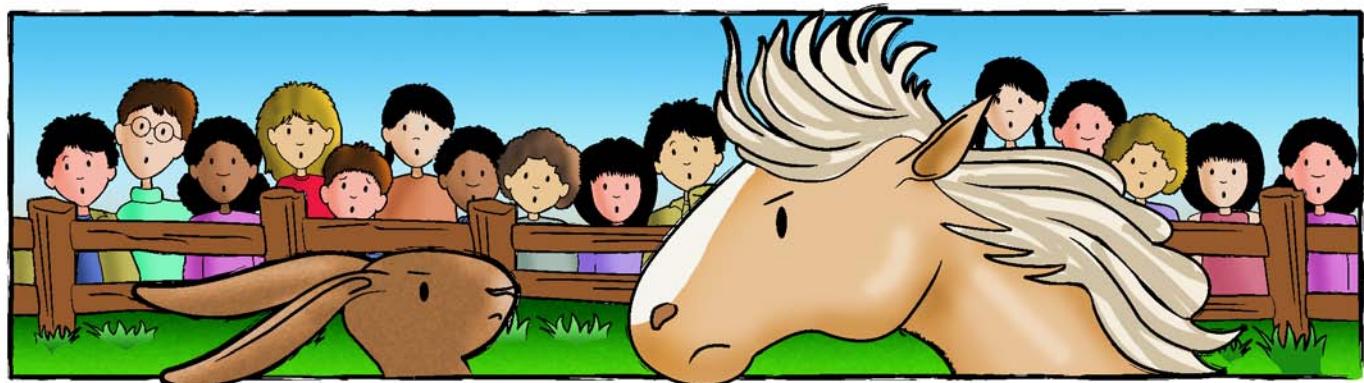
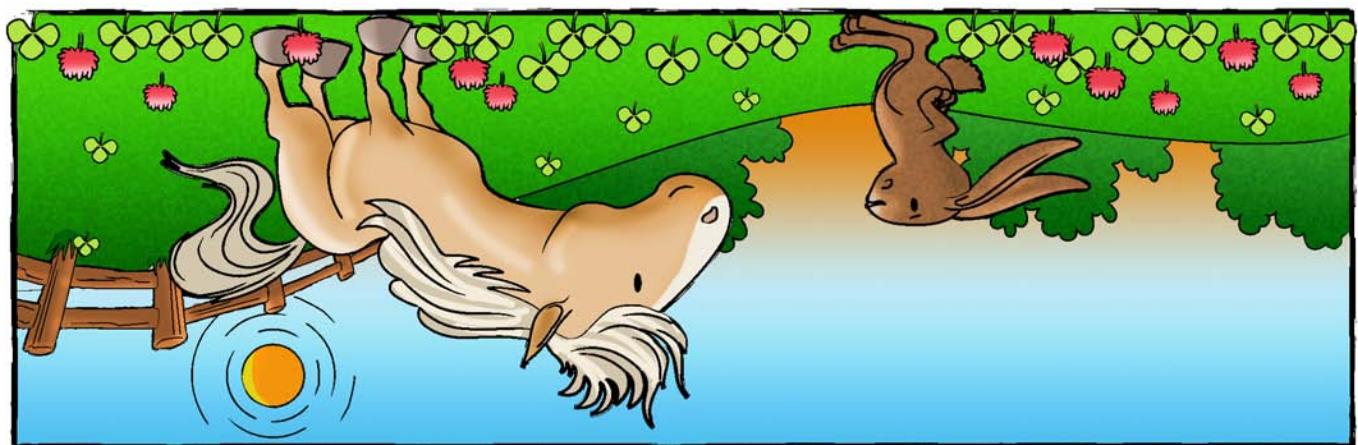
It was rare to see a mare and
a hare who were such good pals.

"I swear it is true," said the mare.

"I have never seen such a thing."

said the hare.

"A big, bad bear in pink shorts sitting in a chair?"



People stared at the mare and hare.

"How dare they stare at a nice pair
like us?" asked the hare one morning.

“He is not scary,” said the mare.
 “He is a funny bear who sits in a chair
 and wears pink shorts.”
 “But the hairy bear at the fair is scary,”
 said the hare.



“I think they are square,” snorted the fair mare.
 “If they want to stare,
 they should go to the fair
 and stare at the bear with all the hair.”