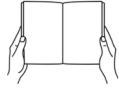


*Read.*



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*start*



*Read this silently and then out loud.*



## BOBBIE'S YELLOW CHICKEN

Bobbie's grandmother lived on a farm.

One summer he went to see her.

He saw many cows and sheep there.

He saw many horses and pigs too.

Bobbie lives on the farm all summer.

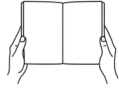
He was happy as he could be.

One day he said, "Grandmother, I wish

I could live here always.

I have great fun here."

*Read.*



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*Read this silently and then out loud.*

One day Grandmother went to the barn.

Bobbie went with her.

She said, “See this little yellow chicken,  
Bobbie.”

“May I have her?” said Bobbie.

“She is the prettiest chicken I ever saw.”

“Yes, Bobbie,” said Grandmother.

“You may have her.

You must give her food every day.

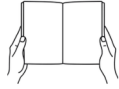
Some day she will lay an egg for you.”

Bobbie gave her food all summer.

She grew and grew and grew.



*Read.*



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*Read this silently and then out loud.*



One day Grandmother said, “Bobbie,  
your mother wants you to come home.  
You may come again next summer.”

Bobbie felt sorry to leave the farm.

He went to the barn.

“Goodbye, little yellow chicken,” he said.

“I must go home to mother.

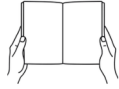
Please do not forget me.

I will see you again next summer.”

“I will not forget you, Bobbie,” said  
the little yellow chicken.

“When you come back, I will lay an egg  
for you.”

*Read.*



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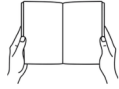


*Read this silently and then out loud.*



Bobbie went home to his mother.  
His mother was waiting for him.  
How glad she was to see him!  
Bobbie was glad to see her too.  
“Oh, Mother!” he cried, “Grandmother  
gave me a little yellow chicken.  
I gave it food and water every day.  
It is my own little chicken.  
Next summer it will lay big white eggs  
for me.  
Do you think it will know me when I  
go back?”

*Read.*



**Lesson 57**



*Read this silently and then out loud.*



The next summer Bobbie went back to Grandmother's.

He ran at once to the barn.

He looked and looked and looked, but he could not see his little chicken.

Just then he saw a big brown hen jump off her nest.

Grandmother laughed. "There is your little yellow chicken," she said.

"You did not know her when you saw her."

"Oh, see the egg in her nest!" said Bobbie.

"I did not know my little yellow chicken, but she did not forget to lay an egg for me."

How proud the big brown hen was!

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## Discuss.



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*Teacher instructions: Discuss the illustration and the passage with your learner.*



*What do you see in the illustration?*

*Where was Bobbie for the summer?*

*What animal did Bobbie take care of?*

*What did the animal give him when Bobbie returned?*

*Write.*



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*Copy the passage.*

I did not know my little yellow chicken,  
but she did not forget to lay an egg  
for me.

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed midline.

*Write.*



**Lesson 57**

*end*



*Use the illustration as inspiration to write a sentence.*



Four sets of primary writing lines, each consisting of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line.