



Teacher instructions: Read this passage aloud to your learner.

THE PIG'S DINNER

Once upon a time a little pig with a curly tail went out to take a morning walk. He thought he would go to the Mud Puddle, but before he got there he came to a garden that was full of pretty flowers. The garden gate was standing wide open. "Woof, woof!" said Little Pig when he saw the open gate. "Isn't this fine? I want to go into that garden. Flowers make a good dinner. Ever since I can remember, I have wanted to get into that garden." And in he went as fast as his four short legs could carry him.

When Little Pig went into the garden, he found that it was full of all kinds of flowers. There were pansies, and daisies, and violets, and honeysuckles, and all the other bright flowers that you can name. Every flower had a place of its own, too. The tulips were on both sides of the garden walk, and the hollyhocks stood up in a straight row against the garden fence. The pansies had a bed all to themselves, and the sweet peas were just beginning to climb up on the frame that the farmer had made for them.

"Oink, oink, nice place!" said Little Pig, and he put his nose down into the pansy bed and began to root up the pansies, for he thought that he would like to eat those pansies for his dinner. While he was enjoying himself there, Red Hen came down the road with her family of little chickens. Red Hen was looking for a nice rich spot where she might scratch for their dinner. When she saw the open gate she was so pleased! "Cluck, cluck, come with me into the garden," she said to her chicks. "Peep, peep, peep! Can we find worms there, Mother?" asked the little chickens.

"Oh, yes, children. And how pretty the flowers are! There is nothing I like better than to scratch in a flower garden," said Red Hen, as she hurried in through the open gate. The chickens went with her, and soon they were all very busy scratching among the violets. How happy they all were!

Soon White Cow came down the road. She was on her way to the Pond, but when she saw the open gate she decided to go into the garden at once.

"Moo, moo!" she said. "How pretty the flowers are! They will make a good dinner."

Red Hen said, "Cluck, cluck, come in, White Cow!" Little Pig said, "Woof, woof, come in!" So White Cow swished her tail over her back and went into the garden. Then she began to nip the daisies from their stems.

"How many of us are here?" asked White Cow. But before any of them could count, the farmer came home. When he looked into the garden he saw White Cow, Red Hen, and Little Pig. "Oh, my pretty pansies and violets and daisies!" he cried. "Stop eating my flowers! Get out of my garden!"

Listen.

Lesson 19



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"What is that man talking about?" asked the little chickens. "I suppose he wants us to go out of his garden," said Red Hen, and she ruffled her feathers as the farmer came running toward them. The hen cackled, the pig squealed, the cow mooed, and the farmer scolded. Away ran Red Hen and her chickies, and Little Pig, and White Cow,—through the gate and down the road. "Good-bye, Mr. Farmer," the hen called back.

"We had a good dinner!" said the pig. "We will come back soon!" said the cow. But when they went back the next day the garden gate was shut so tight that not even the smallest chicken could get inside.

—MAUD LINDSAY in *More Mother Stories*.

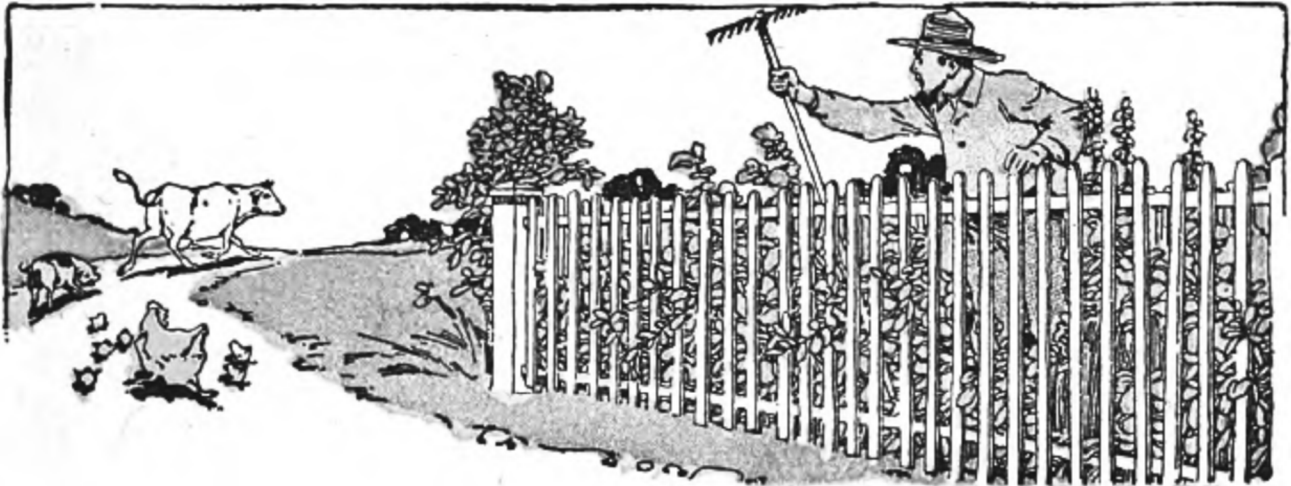
Discuss.



Lesson 19



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



What do you see in the illustration?

What do you remember from the story you just listened to? Tell me the story using your own words.

Read.



Lesson 19



Read this silently and then out loud.

Little pig went down the road.

He wanted some dinner.

Soon he came to a garden.

It was full of pretty flowers.

“Oink, oink!” said Little Pig.

“I want to go into that garden.

Flowers make a good dinner.”

He went into the garden.

Write.



Lesson 19



Copy the passage.

“We had a good dinner!” said the pig.

“We will come back soon!” said the COW.

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

Write.



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Use the illustration as inspiration to write a sentence.

