



Teacher instructions: Read this passage aloud to your learner.

ALICE AND HER KITTEN

One day when Alice was a very little girl, her father came home early from the office. He carried a basket in his hand, but when he saw Alice he put the basket behind him. His eyes twinkled with fun, for he knew that Alice would wonder what was in the basket.

Alice jumped up from her chair and ran to her father. Her eyes grew big and bright as she peeped at the basket which her father had put upon the floor.

"What is in the basket?" asked Alice.

"Can you guess?" her father said.

"Is it a bird?" asked the little girl.

Her father laughed. "No, it is not a bird," he said.

"Oh, I know! It is a little dog!" cried Alice.

But her father only shook his head and said, "No, it is not a dog."

"Is it a kitten?" she asked.

"Yes, it is a kitten," he answered. "You guessed right at last."

"Is the kitten for me, Father?" asked Alice.

"Yes, it is for you," said her father. "Just listen a moment." He held the basket close to her. Soon she heard a faint "Mew, mew," and then a little black head pushed up the cover.

"Oh, isn't she black!" cried the little girl. "I wonder if she is hungry. May I feed her, Mother?" Alice's mother gave her some milk and Alice gave it to the little kitten.

The kitten lapped the milk with her little red tongue, until there was not a drop left in the saucer. Then she put her head between her paws and soon was fast asleep.

—JANE L. HOXIE in *Kindergarten Story Book*.

Discuss.



Lesson 13



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.



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Read this silently and then out loud.

See little Alice.

See her father.

He has a basket.

What is in it?

Can you guess?

Write.



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Answer the questions with the words from the word bank about the passage.

WORD BANK

black father basket

Who gave Alice the gift?

What was the gift inside of?

the

What color was the gift?

Write.



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end



Use the illustration as inspiration to write a sentence.


