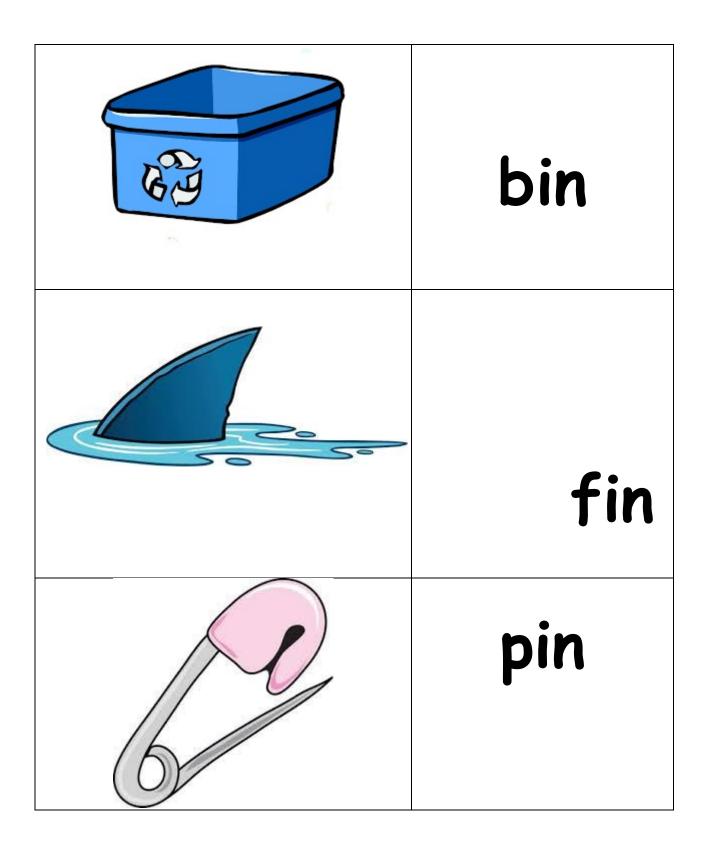
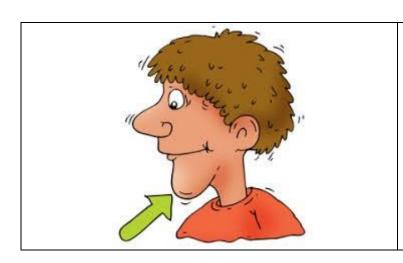
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I make mental pictures that change as I read, like a movie playing in my brain!









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Giving Unit Vocabulary Cards: Use these cards. Practice reading these words each day. Talk to a family member about what each word means. Pick a different word each to draw a picture to match the word.



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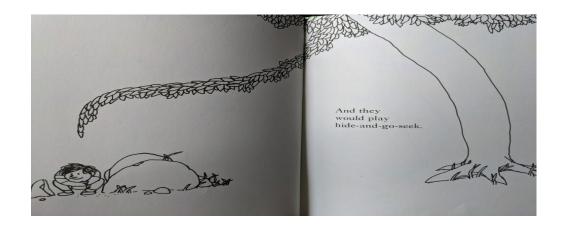
Giving means to let someone have something. Giving should be practiced everyday.

Giving Day 1: Giving means to let someone have something.



Look at the front cover of this week's story and practice visualizing, or making the movie in your brain. Close your eyes and imagine a little boy and his friend that is a tree. Why are friends important? Draw and/or write about what you are thinking.

Giving Day 2: Giving means to let someone have something.



Let's practice visualizing, or making the movie in our brains and think about the main character and the setting in the story. The main character is a little boy. The setting means where and when the story takes place. This story takes place in a forest. Draw a picture of all the things the boy might see in the forest around this tree.

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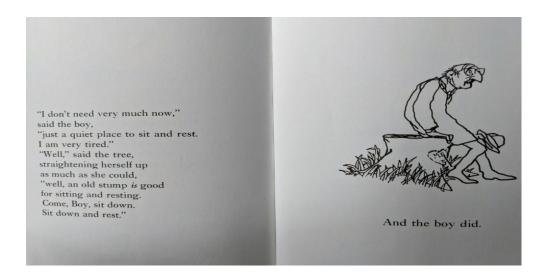
Giving Day 3: Giving means to let someone have something.



Today, let's visualize the problem in the story. Let's look at the page in the book where we see the problem. On this page the boy is all grown up and he comes back to visit the tree, but oh how sad! The tree says, "But I have nothing left to give you". Close your eyes think about how the boy, all grown up, feels now that his friend, has nothing to give. Think about how the tree feels when she realizes she has nothing to give. Close your eyes and think about a time you have felt this way. Draw or write about it.

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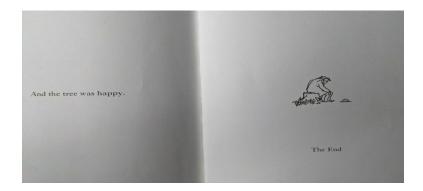
Giving Day 4: Giving means to let someone have something.



Today, we are going to think about the ending, or the solution of the story. The boy is all grown up now and comes to visit the tree. The tree feels as though she has nothing left to give the boy. The boy says, "I don't need much now." The tree pauses for a moment and straightens herself up and says, "Sit down and rest." She gives the boy a safe, happy place to rest. Think about a time when you have given something to someone in need. How did it make you feel? Draw and/or write about it.

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Giving Day 5: Giving means to let someone have something.



We have practiced visualizing the character, setting, problem and solution. As we have done that we have thought about the beginning, middle, and end of the story. Today, let's focus on the last page of the story. Close your eyes and think about what the last page says: And the tree was happy. Why do you believe the tree is happy? Think about a time when you have given something to someone, maybe a gift on their birthday or Christmas. Did it make you happy inside when you gave them something? Of course it did! It makes our heart happy to give. Remember our hearts like it when we are willing to be kind and to give.

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