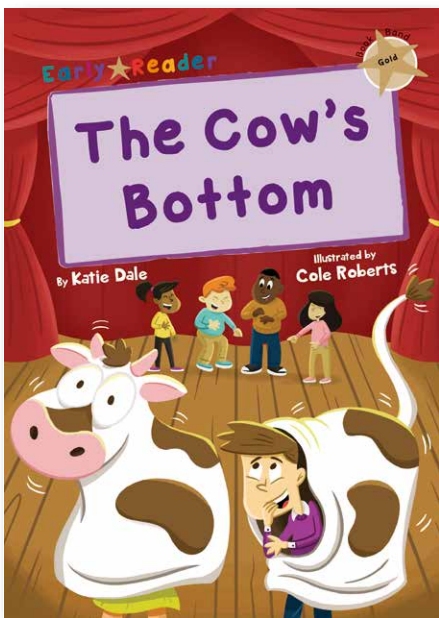


Maverick Activity Pack

What is a Maverick Activity Pack?

This activity pack is for teachers and parents to help build comprehension and engagement when guiding their students and children in their reading journey. There are many activities in this pack that can be used alongside our Early Reader stories to encourage children to get stuck in after enjoying the story.

This Activity Pack is for:



The Cow's Bottom Early Reader Katie Dale & Cole Roberts

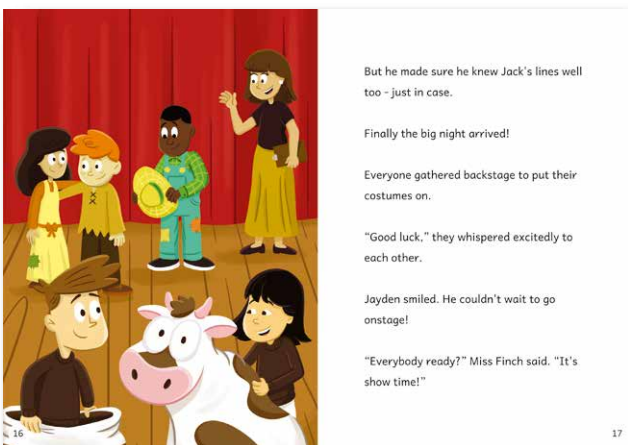
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Jayden really wants the main role of Jack in the school play: *Jack and the Beanstalk*. But things don't go according to plan!



But he made sure he knew Jack's lines well too - just in case.

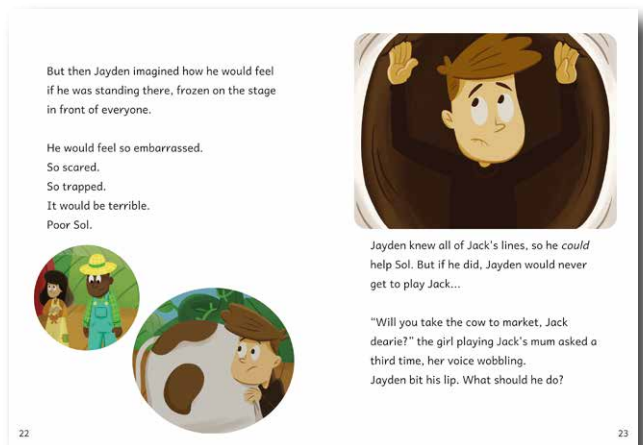
Finally the big night arrived!

Everyone gathered backstage to put their costumes on.

"Good luck," they whispered excitedly to each other.

Jayden smiled. He couldn't wait to go onstage!

"Everybody ready?" Miss Finch said. "It's show time!"



But then Jayden imagined how he would feel if he was standing there, frozen on the stage in front of everyone.

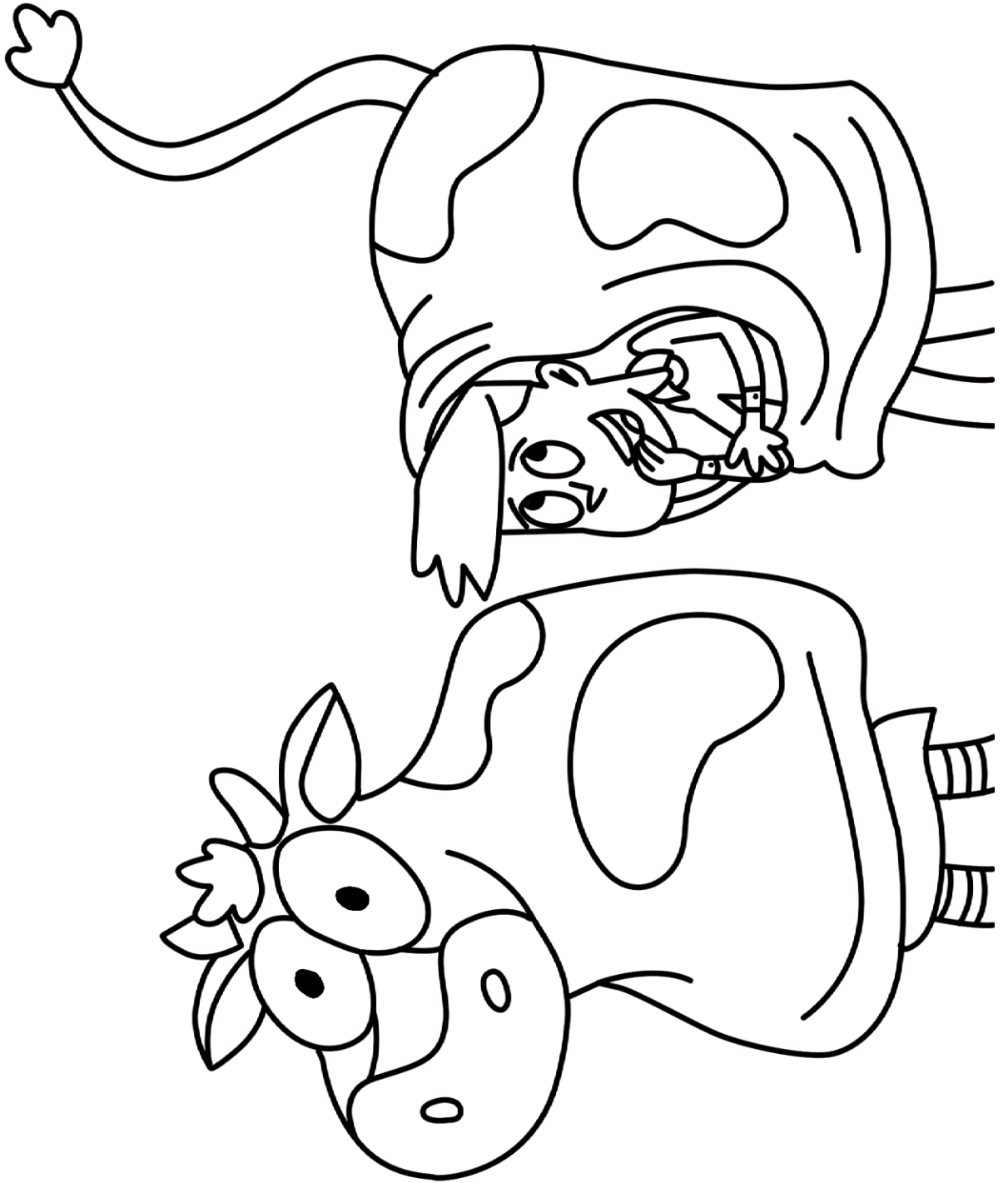
He would feel so embarrassed.
So scared.
So trapped.
It would be terrible.
Poor Sol.



Jayden knew all of Jack's lines, so he *could* help Sol. But if he did, Jayden would never get to play Jack...

"Will you take the cow to market, Jack dearie?" the girl playing Jack's mum asked a third time, her voice wobbling.
Jayden bit his lip. What should he do?

Colour Me In!



Fill in the Gaps

Can you remember the words from the story?

1. As a _____, he loved _____ to be a superhero.

kid / playing baby / wishing toddler / pretending

2. Jayden was _____. Then he was sad. Then he was _____.

furious / happy shocked / cross upset / mad

3. Miss Finch smiled, "you are so good at _____ that I want you to be Jack's _____."

singing / back-up acting / understudy dancing / mum

4. Jayden was really glad he hadn't _____ the _____.

forgotten / line washed / costume quit / play

5. Sol must have _____ _____!

stage fright missed everything dressed funny

6. Jayden grinned - that _____ wasn't in the _____!

character / show line / script hug / script

Quiz

1. Which role in the play does Jayden really want?
 - a) The Giant
 - b) Jack's mum
 - c) Jack
2. Why doesn't Jayden get a main role?
 - a) The big roles are given to the older kids
 - b) He forgot his lines
 - c) He decides not to go for one
3. Why does Jayden enjoy playing the cow's bottom?
 - a) He doesn't have to be friends with the cast
 - b) He doesn't have any lines
 - c) He loves making everyone laugh
4. What does Jayden do when Sol gets stage fright?
 - a) He gets to play Jack
 - b) He whispers Sol's lines
 - c) He tells Sol the wrong lines
5. Who gets their own special cheer at the end of the play?
 - a) Daisy
 - b) Jack
 - c) The Giant

Word Search

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Words:

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| <input type="radio"/> bottom | <input type="radio"/> Daisy | <input type="radio"/> understudy |

Answers

Fill in the gaps:

1. toddler / pretending
2. shocked / cross
3. acting / understudy
4. quit / play
5. stage fright
6. hug / script

Quiz:

1. c
2. a
3. c
4. b
5. a

Wordsearch:

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