

## Appendix 5: Reading with Easy Readers—Extra Copywork Passages

### Extra Copywork Passages

We hope that you will encourage your children to practice writing each day. We understand, though, that there are some days when your children will feel... well, let's just say "uninspired." On those days, what should you do?

Should you just let them skip writing? Not if you want them to grow and excel as a writer. Mercilessly browbeat them into submission? Not if you want to keep your sanity! Instead, just assign one of the extra copywork passages below.

Your children will gain additional writing practice without the additional challenge of a regular assignment. You'll avoid a battle of the wills with a reluctant writer. Use the extra time you gain to discuss things with your children. Why are they feeling uninspired? Show them love and support and help them regroup in preparation to hit the ground running again tomorrow.

For your convenience, we have provided extra copywork passages for you to use over the length of this course.

### The Beginner's Bible

#### "The Sneaky Snake" pg. 19

Now, there was a sneaky snake in the garden. One day, the snake saw Eve near the special tree.

#### "Noah's Ark" pg. 26

After Adam and Eve left the garden, many people were born. The people kept doing bad things, and they forgot about God.

#### "The Visitors" pg. 48

Abraham told Sarah about the visitors. He asked her to make a tasty meal.

#### "Jacob and Esau Meet Again" pg. 68

Jacob wanted to go back, but he was afraid of his brother Esau.

#### "Joseph Saves His Family" pg. 88

Joseph sold them some food. Then the brothers left to go home.

#### "Ten Plagues" pg. 107

Then God sent frogs to Egypt. They were sitting in chairs, hopping up stairs, and jumping all over the beds.

#### "The Red Sea" pp. 112-113

God led the Israelites to the edge of the Red Sea. Moses said, "Do not be afraid. God will protect us."

#### "Food from Heaven" pg. 118

The next morning, God sent bread from heaven. It was called manna and tasted like honey.

#### "Joshua and the Spies" pg. 128

God led them into the promised land. He led them to a city called Jericho.

#### "Voice in the Night" pg. 163

This time, Samuel answered, "Yes, Lord, I am listening." From that moment on, Samuel gave messages to God's people."

#### "David and Goliath" pg. 177

King Saul gave his armor to David, but it was big and heavy. David wasn't used wearing armor.

#### "God Watches over Elijah" pg. 204

It will not rain for a very long time. The crops will dry up, and your people will go hungry."

#### "Chariot of Fire" pg. 221

Suddenly a fiery chariot pulled by fiery horses came down from the sky. Elijah's coat fell to the ground. Then Elijah knew God had granted his request.

#### "Jonah and the Big Fish" pg. 261

Just then, Jonah saw a big fish coming! The fish swallowed Jonah.

#### "Shepherd's Visit" pg. 277

On the night Jesus was born, shepherds were watching their sheep. Suddenly, an angel stood before them, and God's light shined all around.

#### "The Bright Star and Three Visitors" pg. 287

The Wise Men followed the star. On their way, they stopped in the city of Jerusalem to see King Herod. The Wise Men wanted to ask him about the baby king.

#### "Jesus is Lost!" pg. 302

Jesus knew God was his Father. He said, "I had to come to my Father's house."

#### "Jesus Chooses His Disciples" pg. 309

As Jesus was walking along the seashore, he saw some fishermen. Jesus called to them, "Come. Follow me."

#### "Jesus' First Miracle" pp. 316-317

Jesus said, "Fill up six jars of water." When they did, they saw wine instead of water!

#### "Hole in the Roof" pp. 328-329

Many people gathered there because they heard he was healing the sick. The house was overflowing with people.

**"Jesus Walks on Water" pg. 366**

The wind swooshed. The waves sloshed. The boat was tossed about.

**"Jesus Heals a Blind Beggar" pg. 372**

Then Jesus spit on the ground and made mud out of it with his hands. He gently spread the mud on the blind man's eyes.

**"The Good Samaritan" pg. 379**

I know the law says to love God with all my heart and to love my neighbor as myself. But who is my neighbor?

**"Jesus and the Children" pg. 411**

Let the children come to me. You must become like these little children if you want to enter God's kingdom.

**"A Gift for Jesus" pg. 425**

That perfume cost a lot of money. Mary should have sold it and given the money to the poor.

**"A Poor Widow's Gift" pg. 436**

Even though the woman is poor, she gave all the money she had. The rich people gave a lot of money, but they still have plenty left over.

**"Washing the Disciples Feet" pg. 439**

I must wash your feet for you to be part of my kingdom. As I have washed your feet, you must wash each other's feet.

**"Jesus is Arrested and Crucified" pp. 448-449**

All the disciples ran away, and the soldiers arrested Jesus. They took Jesus to the leaders.

***Pompeii... Buried Alive*****pp. 2, 25**

Way down deep it was very, very hot.  
The sea was wild.

**pg. 25**

Fish were left flopping in the sand.  
The family from the big house was able to get into a boat. They were able to get away.

***Surprises*****pg. 21**

Honeybees are very tricky—Honey doesn't make them sticky.

**pg. 42**

Over the hills of the sky you glide;  
The plane is a sled for you to ride.

***Owl at Home*****pp. 5-6**

Owl was at home.  
Owl opened the door. No one was there.

**pg. 35**

Owl was crying. Many large tears dropped into the kettle.  
"Mornings nobody saw because everybody was sleeping," sobbed Owl.

***Mouse Tales*****pp. 6, 8**

"Oh yes, we will," said the boys.  
"Now all of my wishes can come true!" she cried.

**pg. 61**

He rubbed himself with a big towel until he was very dry. And then he went right to sleep.

***Greg's Microscope*****pp. 4, 10**

"I can see tiny things," said Greg.  
"Open it and see," said his father.

***Hill of Fire*****pg. 10**

Every morning, when the farmer woke up, the first thing he saw was the roof of his little house. Every morning for breakfast he ate two flat cakes of ground corn.

**pp. 25, 29**

The farmer and his son pushed, and the ox pulled, but the plow did not move.  
There was a loud CRACK, and the earth opened wide.

**pp. 16, 50**

Soon it will be time to plant the corn.  
It was bigger than the one they lived in before.

***Daniel's Duck*****pp. 12, 28**

"Let's see if you do," said his father.  
"Are you sure you want to take it to the fair?" asked Jeff.

**pg. 54**

The people liked your duck.  
They laughed because they liked it.

***Amelia Bedelia*****pg. 33**

She took the pie out of the oven and put it on the table to cool. Then she looked at the list.

### ***Nate the Great***

**pg. 49**

I, Nate the Great, did not laugh. I was on a case. I had a job to do. I looked around the room.

### ***Frog and Toad Together***

**pp. 10,12**

"Look at my list of things to do," said Toad.

Frog and Toad went on a long walk.

**pp. 18, 34**

"Yes," said Frog. "It is very nice, but it was hard work."

"We must stop eating!" cried Toad.

### ***Big Balloon Race***

**pp. 5, 18**

It was the day of the big balloon race.

You can sit in the basket until it is time to go.

**pp. 19, 23-24**

He talked on and on.

The men let go of the ropes.

We are aloft.

### ***The Fire Cat***

**pg. 36**

The Chief said, "Mrs. Goodkind says you are not a bad cat."

"I will let you live here IF you learn to be a good fire-house cat."

**pg. 51**

"Pickles," said the Chief, "I have watched you at your work. You have worked hard. The time has come for you to know that you are now our Fire Cat."

### ***The Sword in the Tree***

**pg. 43**

"Softly, Shan. Do you not see? With you and your father and me out of the way, your uncle will be lord of Weldon Castle."

"If we go, we may save our lives."

**pg. 64**

"Yes," said the hunter. "Now that the wars are over, King Arthur has more time for the people. On two special days each month he opens his doors to them. They tell him their troubles. He listens and tries to help them."

### ***Wagon Wheels***

**pp. 7-8**

All we have to do is go and get it.

It had been a hard trip, and a sad one.

**pp. 16, 22**

How about a song or two?

"I will get my gun, Daddy," I said.

### ***The Titanic: Lost... and Found***

**pg. 5**

It is April 10, 1912.

The whole world is talking about an amazing new ship. Its name is the Titanic.

**pp. 19, 25**

They still think they are on a ship that cannot sink.

By now they know the end is near. ■