

# The Mystery of the Whispering Woods



This worksheet helps reinforce the sounds  
**ee, ph, sh, ch, oo, and wh.**

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Lee is a boy who loves adventures, but he finds reading tricky. One sunny afternoon, he decides to walk through the Whispering Woods. People say you can hear soft voices in the breeze there.

Lee packs his lunch, puts a sandwich and some chocolate in his wool bag, and sets off. As he walks through the woods, he hears a strange sound—"Shhh... Shhh...". He stops and listens.

"Who is there?" he whispers. But he only hears the soft sound of the wind.

Just then, a cheerful whistle catches his ear. It is Phil, the village photographer. He takes pictures of the trees and flowers. "Hey, Lee!" Phil calls. "What brings you to the Whispering Woods?"

"I'm trying to find out where the whispering sound comes from," says Lee.

Phil laughs. "Maybe it's the breeze through the leaves or the birds chatting in the trees."

Lee smiles, but he still feels curious. He keeps walking and reaches a stream with clear, cool water. He dips his toes in and hears another sound—"Whooo... whooo..."

An owl sits on a branch above! "Whooo are you?" it hoots.

"I am Lee," says the boy, surprised that the owl talks. "Do you know what makes the 'shhh' sound in the woods?"

The owl blinks its big eyes and says, "You will find your answer at the wishing tree."

Excited, Lee follows the owl's advice and reaches the tallest tree in the woods. A small chain with a bell hangs from one of its branches. When Lee touches the bell, the tree makes a soft "Shhh..." sound, just like the whispering wind!

"You have found it!" the owl hoots from above. "The tree makes that sound when someone wishes for something."

Lee closes his eyes and makes a wish — he wishes that reading becomes easier for him. As he opens his eyes, the wind whispers softly through the leaves, "Shhh..."

From that day on, Lee practices reading every day, and soon the words do not seem tricky anymore. He even reads books about owls, photographers, and magical trees!

## A. Sound Hunt: Find the Words

Look through the story and find words that match the following sounds. Write them in the correct box.

1. Words with "ee" sound:

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2. Words with "ph" sound:

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3. Words with "sh" sound:

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4. Words with "ch" sound:

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5. Words with "oo" sound:

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6. Words with "wh" sound:

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## B. Comprehension Questions

Answer the following questions about the story.

1. Where does Lee go on his adventure?
2. Who does Lee meet in the woods?
3. What is the name of the tree Lee finds?
4. What does Lee wish for?

## C. Practice Reading

Read these sentences aloud. Can you spot the special sounds?

1. Lee sees an owl in the tree.
2. Phil takes a photo of the woods.
3. The wind makes a soft "shhh" sound.
4. The water in the stream is cool.
5. Whooo makes the whispering sound?

