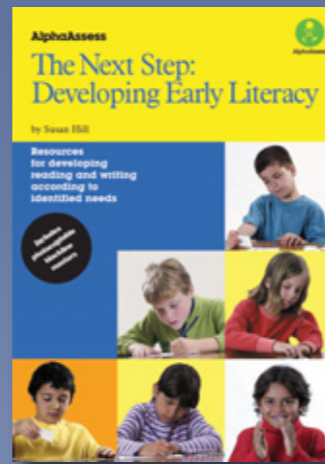
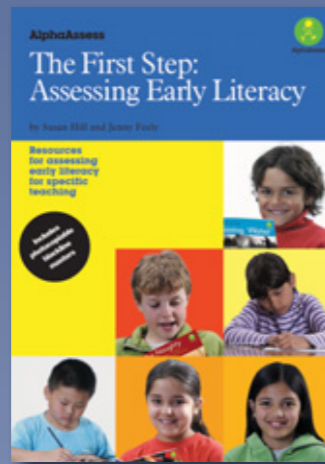




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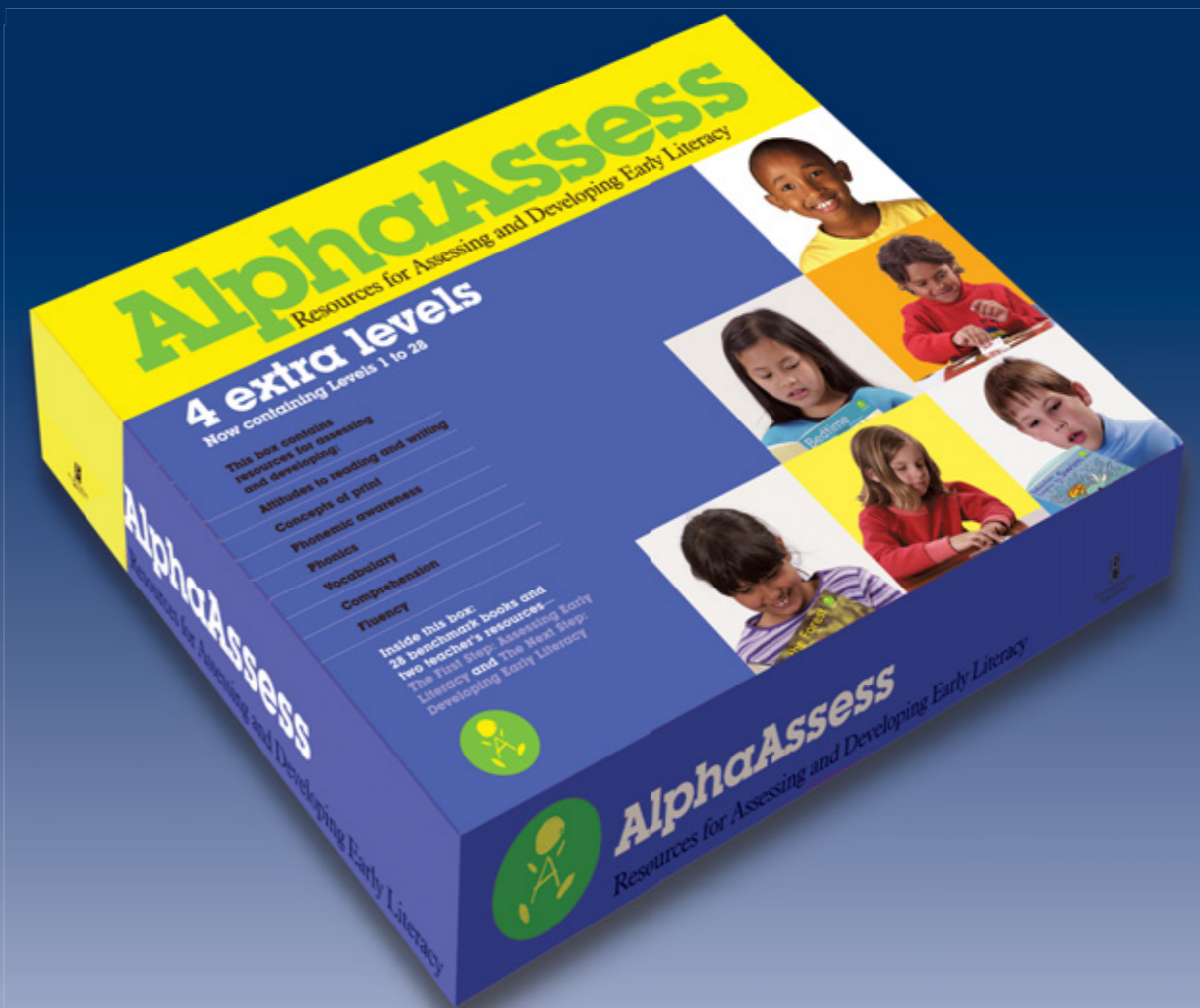
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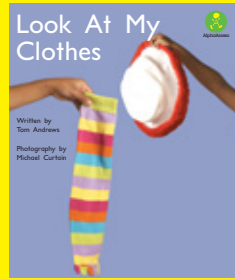
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AlphaAssess Benchmark Books (Levels 1-28)



1. *Look at my Clothes*
TEXT TYPE: Caption
GROWTH POINTS: Large well-spaced text. Single line of text. Repeated phrase. Strong text-picture match.



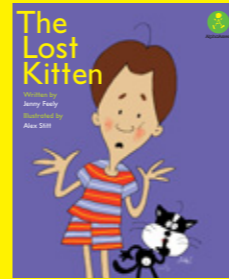
2. *I like to Play*
TEXT TYPE: Recount
GROWTH POINTS: Two sentences per page. The first is the same throughout. The second has a return sweep and repeated phrase.



3. *My Birthday Party*
TEXT TYPE: Recount. Repetitive structure.
GROWTH POINTS: Sentence pattern varies slightly. Two sentences on all but first and last pages.



4. *In the Forest*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative/Photographic. Familiar refrain.
GROWTH POINTS: Two lines of text per page with a return sweep.



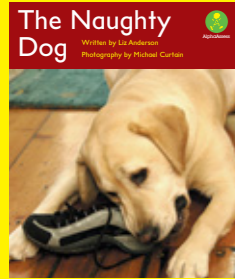
5. *The Lost Kitten*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Repetitive structure with three-part sentences.



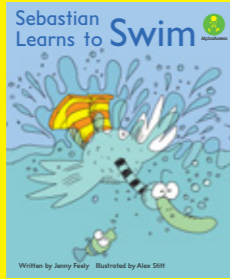
6. *Bedtime*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Text in smaller font. Direct speech. Sentence structure varies.



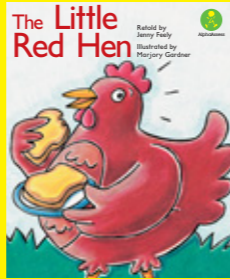
7. *I Draw Pictures*
TEXT TYPE: Recount.
GROWTH POINTS: More varied text structures, including direct speech.



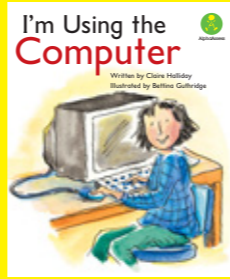
8. *The Naughty Dog*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: More complex vocabulary, well supported by photos.



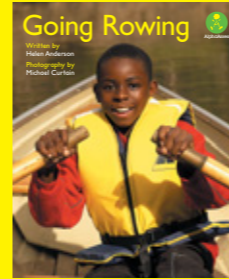
9. *Sebastian Learns to Swim*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Up to three paragraphs per page. Text often spreads across two facing pages. Repetition within the structure.



10. *The Little Red Hen*
TEXT TYPE: Traditional tale.
GROWTH POINTS: Up to seven lines of text per page. traditional structure. Includes direct speech.



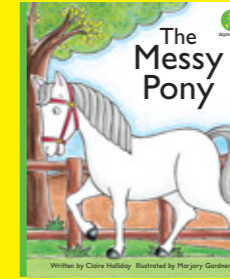
11. *I'm Using the Computer*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Predictable structure with text variability.



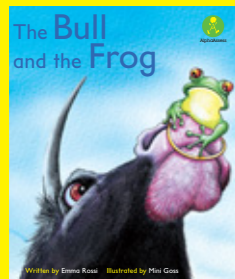
12. *Going Rowing*
TEXT TYPE: Recount.
GROWTH POINTS: A sequence of events with variation in vocabulary. Unfamiliar concept for most children.



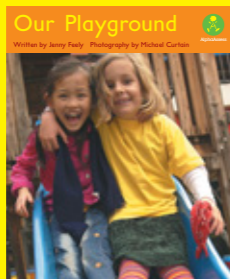
13. *My Dog Ben*
TEXT TYPE: Recount.
GROWTH POINTS: Contains many sentences with three phrases.



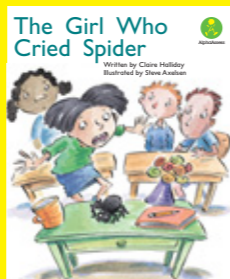
14. *The Messy Pony*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Increased vocabulary load. Sequence of events.



15. *The Bull and the Frog*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Increased text per page. Varied length of line of text.



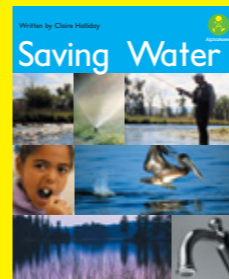
16. *Our Playground*
TEXT TYPE: Recount.
GROWTH POINTS: Sentences run-on. Less direct pictorial support.



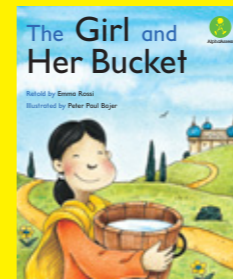
17. *The Girl Who Cried Spider*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Sentences run-on. Varied sentence structure and vocabulary.



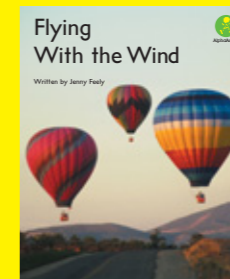
18. *Having Fun*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Smaller, serif font. Varied sentence structure and vocabulary.



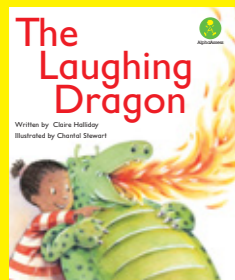
19. *Saving Water*
TEXT TYPE: Report.
GROWTH POINTS: Familiar concept. text has dense information load. Varied sentence structure and vocabulary.



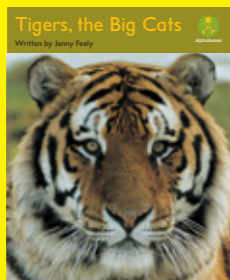
20. *The Girl and Her Bucket*
TEXT TYPE: Traditional tales.
GROWTH POINTS: Unfamiliar setting. Varied sentence structure and vocabulary. Inference is required to understand the text.



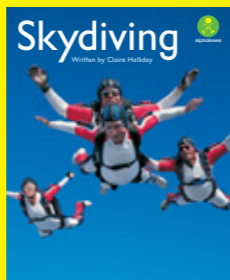
21. *Flying With the Wind*
TEXT TYPE: Report/Explanation.
GROWTH POINTS: Simple explanation of a scientific concept. Includes technical language.



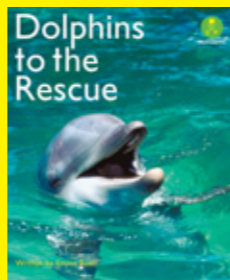
22. *The Laughing Dragon*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative.
GROWTH POINTS: Inference is required to fully understand the text.



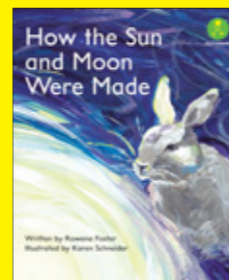
23. *Tigers, the Big Cats*
TEXT TYPE: Report.
GROWTH POINTS: Complex and varied sentence structures. dense information load.



24. *Skydiving*
TEXT TYPE: Report.
GROWTH POINTS: Detailed explanation. Complex concept.



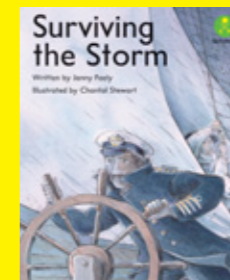
25. *Dolphins to the Rescue*
TEXT TYPE: Recount
GROWTH POINTS: Following an unusual series of events. Some technical language.



26. *How the Sun and Moon Were Made*
TEXT TYPE: Narrative (Fable)
GROWTH POINTS: Understanding the symbolism in a fable. Complex language.



27. *Hungry Crocodiles*
TEXT TYPE: Explanation
GROWTH POINTS: Complex language, some technical language, longer paragraphs.



28. *Surviving the Storm*
TEXT TYPE: Historical narrative
GROWTH POINTS: Unusual names, dates. Includes the description of a complex procedure.



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