



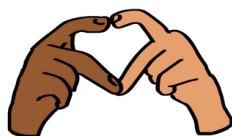
# In The Backyard At Dark



**A Dewey Decodable Story**

# Dedication

This book is for all super readers and writers around the world. This includes you!





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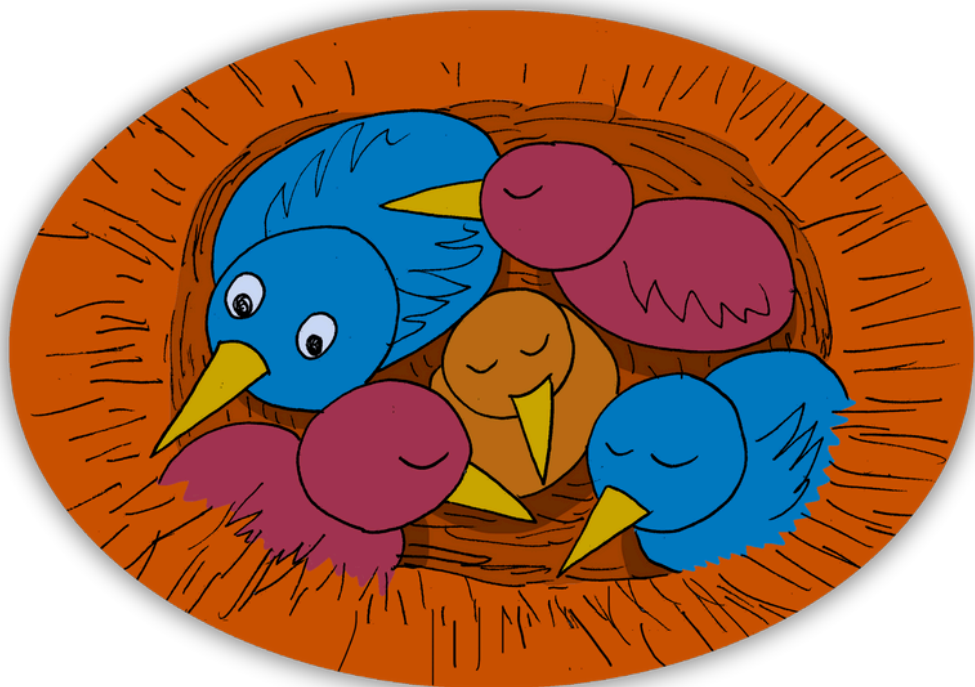
Von's backyard is full of grand things at dark.



Von sits, thinks, and rests  
in the stillness.

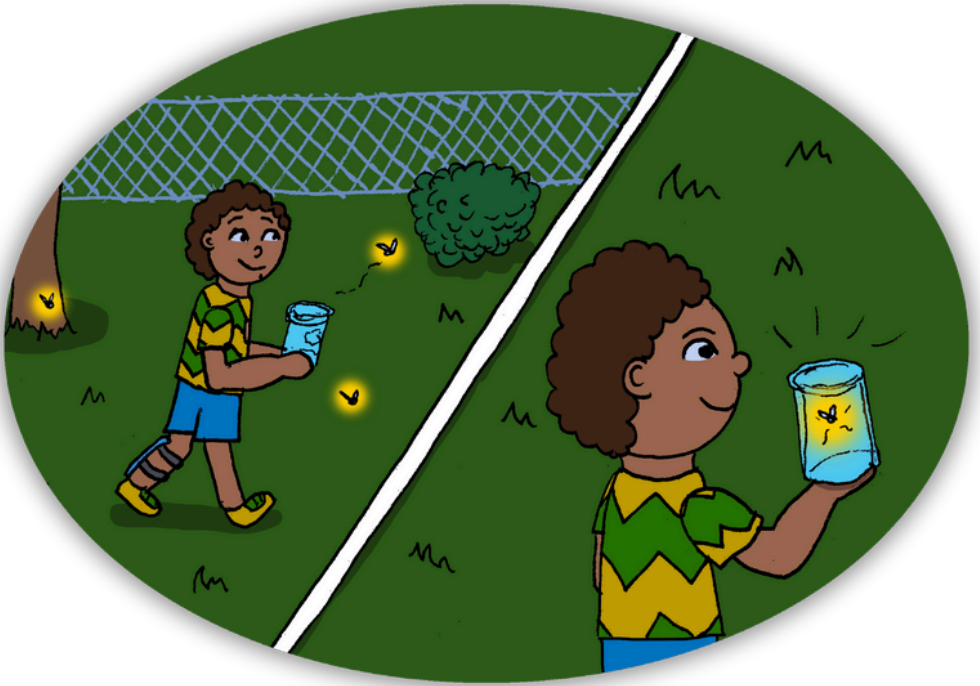


First, the birds chirp songs to the chicks in the nest.



Chirp! Chirp!

The bird and her chicks rest  
in the nest on a branch.



Next, Von runs and traps bugs  
in jars. Von never harms them.



Buzz! Flash!

Von observes them and then  
twists the lids off the jars.



Third, Von sits on the grass and looks up at the stars.



Von wants to wish  
on the first falling star.





Wow! Look!  
The North Star is oh so far!



Last, it starts to get damp  
on the grass.

The wind brings a chill.



Von curls up on the porch  
under a blanket.



Von jots it all on a card  
to tell the pals.



Von reads for a bit  
until it is too dark.



The backyard at dark  
is just perfect!



Here are some great ways to talk with a child about this story. Try saying...



"Let's find the word 'dark' on the first page. Let's find and read another /ar/ word."



"Let's trace the letters *a* and *r* in the air with a straight arm. Then, trace it on your hand."



"Notice what Von hears in his backyard."



"Let's listen quietly to the sounds around you. What can you hear?"



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## In This Story

Phonics: r-controlled vowels, 2-syllable VC,  
CVC

Word Count: 148 words

Power Words: of, the, to, off, looks, reads,  
too

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