

# TEACHING ENGLISH THROUGH *STORIES* WITH YOUNG LEARNERS



## *Penny`s Silent Story*

### *Mime Instructions:*

**“I” = point to yourself**

**“the” = make a “T” with your hands**

**“and” = clasped hands**

**“penguin” = mime a penguin**

**“elephant” = mime an elephant**

**“monkey” = mime a monkey**

**“like” = thumb up**

**“climb” = huff/puff**

**“saw” = round eyes**

**“zoo” = jump**

**“eating” = chew**

**“dancing” = dance**

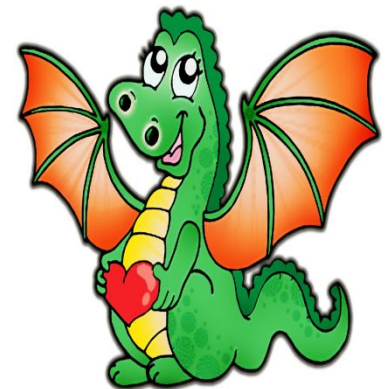
**“happy” – laugh ha-ha-ha**

# MAKE YOUR OWN STORY BY CHANGING THE WORDS UNDERLINED.

- 1. I found a small dragon in the garden. 2. It was wet and green. 3. I gave it many things: grass, leaves, flowers, chocolate, yoghurt, but it didn't eat them. 4. It wasn't happy and it was silent. 5. I didn't know what to do.

6. I asked my Mum and Dad, but they didn't know what to do.

7. Then I took it back to the edge of the big forest and I said, "Go on! Go home!" and it walked into the forest and disappeared.



LONG LONG GRASS  
SWISH SWISH SWISH



A photograph showing a man lying in a thick mud pit. He is covered in mud, with mud smeared on his face and hair. He is wearing a patterned shirt and dark pants. Another person, wearing a light purple striped shirt, is leaning over him, reaching out with their hand to help him. The background is a blurred natural setting with green grass and brown earth. The text "THICK THICK MUD" is overlaid in the upper center of the image.

**THICK THICK MUD**

**SQUILCH SQUELCH**  
**SQUILCH SQUELCH**

A large, rounded green hill dominates the center of the image. The hill is covered in dense green grass and is set against a dramatic sky filled with large, dark grey and white clouds. The foreground consists of a flat, grassy field with some dry patches. The overall scene is a natural landscape.

A big big hill

Huff puff, huff puff



A cold cold RIVER  
Splish, splash,  
splish splash

Big big TREES

WAVE WAVE WAVE





A photograph of a narrow, rustic wooden suspension bridge crossing a river. The bridge is made of weathered wooden planks and has a simple metal railing. The water is brown and turbulent. The surrounding area is lush with green trees and foliage. The text "A wibbly wobbly bridge" is overlaid in the center of the image.

**A wibbly wobbly  
bridge**

# A cave



## ORDER GOING BACK:

BRIDGE- wibble wobble

TREES – wave wave

RIVER – splish splash

HILL – huff puff

MUD – squelch squelch

GRASS – swish swish

HOME – open the door  
up the stairs

BED – under blanket – PHEW!!

**THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR  
ATTENTION!**