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INTRODUCING

MACKIN'S EARLY READER PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

My Road to Reading is a partnership between Mackin and Cherry Lake Publishing designed for public libraries to introduce families to the joy of reading. Created by educational professionals for preschool through grade 2, the program provides an easy-to-follow, step-by-step pathway that helps early learners build essential reading skills. Using the exceptional and age-appropriate Little Blossom Stories, organized within a clear progression, My Road to Reading supports children as they advance from beginning readers into confident, independent readers. My Road to Reading gives public libraries a meaningful way to support families, strengthen early literacy, and inspire a lifelong love for reading.

My Road to Reading's systematic approach is firmly based on the Science of Reading and has been proven to provide public libraries with an educational solution for introducing children to the foundational skills of reading. Our expertly designed phonics-based decodable books are organized in 10 labeled step-by-step bins and have easy ready-to-use guides for parents and caregivers. Each bin has a selection of unique stories that represent a stage of early reading development, guiding children from simpler sound-letter relationships to more complex decoding skills. This clear pathway supports emerging readers while building confidence and a sense of accomplishment with every step forward.

MY ROAD TO READING INCLUDES:

- **Organized Bins**
  10 clearly labeled bins organized in an easy-to-follow progression
- **High-Interest Decodable Books**
  186 high-interest decodable books pre-organized and labeled by skill
- **Family Guides**
  A family guide for each bin with simple tips for reading and practice
- **Supportive Videos**
  QR-linked videos that model support strategies
- **Personalized Bookmarks**
  Personalized bookmarks for kids to keep and track their progress
- **Downloadable Resources**
  Website support with downloadable family guides that libraries can customize and print

THE PATHWAY TO EARLY LITERACY AND READING STARTS RIGHT HERE

Written by Dr. Cecilia Minden, former director of the Language and Literacy Program at Harvard Graduate School. Little Blossom Stories are highly respected by educators nationwide.

MY ROAD TO READING™

Supporting reading from the start!

1 Initial Sounds

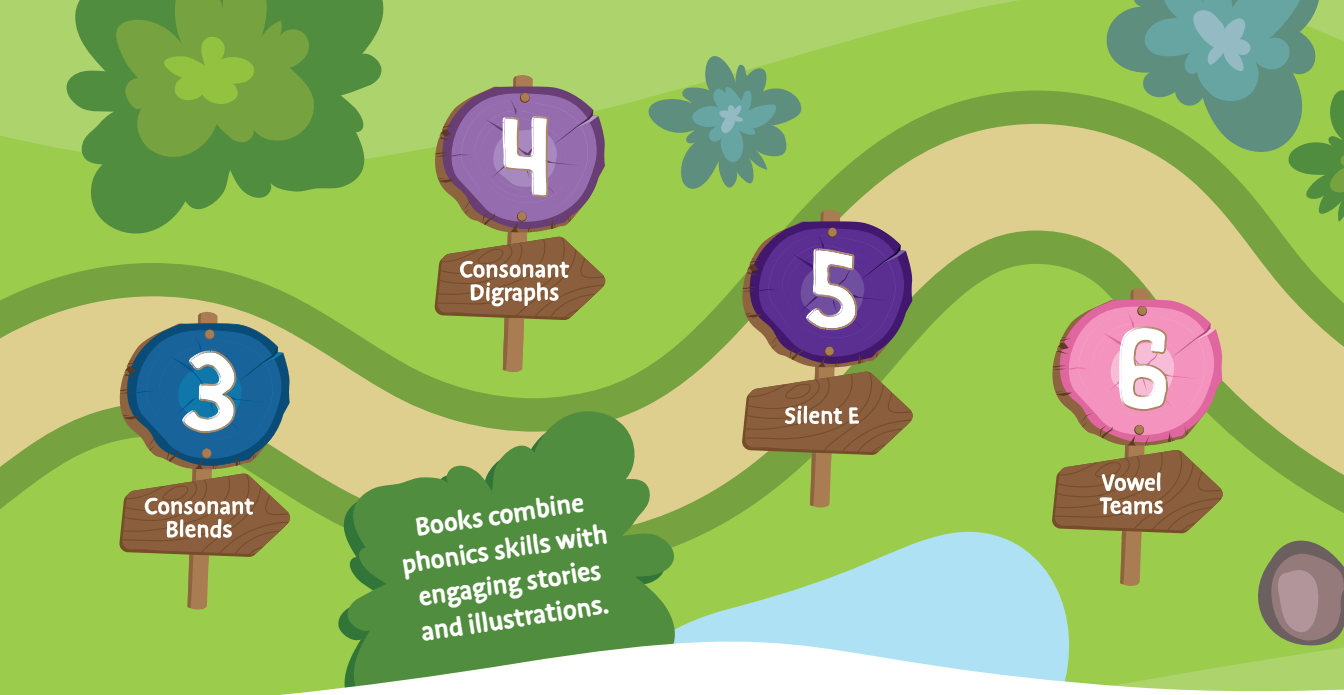
2 Short Vowels

Initial Sounds

Focuses on the first letter in a word and the sound it makes.

Short Vowels

Focuses on reading words with a short vowel sound.



Consonant Blends

Focuses on words where two or more consonants appear side by side, and each letter makes its own sound.

Consonant Digraphs

Focuses on words where two or more consonants appear side by side and work together to make one sound.

Silent E

Focuses on words where a silent e appears at the end of the word and makes the vowel sound long.

Vowel Teams

Focuses on words where two vowels appear side by side and work together to make one sound.

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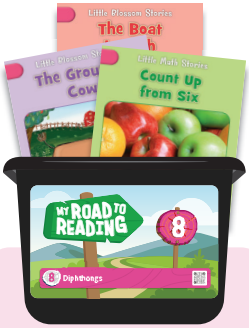
Word Knowledge

Engaging books. Purposeful practice.

R-controlled Vowels

Focuses on words where a vowel is followed by the letter "r," making the vowel sound change.



Diphthongs

Focuses on words where two vowels appear together and create a gliding vowel sound.

Syllables

Focuses on reading syllable patterns that help predict the vowel sound.

Word Knowledge

Focuses on reading and understanding prefixes and suffixes, or word parts added to the beginning or end of a base word to change its meaning.

“Little Blossom Stories are some of the highest circulating decodable readers in our test collection.”

— Toledo Public Library

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