

CBM #5/Grade 3

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Instructions

You are going to read this story titled What's Happening out loud. This story is about when Chester worries about vampire bunnies (place the reading passage in front of the student, face down). Try to read each word. You can use your finger to keep your place. If you come to a word you don't know, I'll tell it to you. You will read for one minute. Be sure to do your best reading. Do you have any questions? (Turn the passage right side up). Put your finger on the first word. Begin.

What's Happening

As Chester was being buttoned into his bright yellow sweater (with little purple mice in 14
cowboy hats all over it), Mr. Monroe said, "What about those vegetables? Shall I speak to Tom 29
Cragin?" 29

"Yes, dear," Mrs. Monroe said, "why don't you? I'm sure there's some explanation. In 42
the meantime, I'll change markets. To tell you the truth, I'm really much more worried about 58
Chester. We'd better keep our eye on him." 65

Chester and I did not speak until late afternoon. I was busy nursing my neck, and Chester 80
was busy hiding under the sofa, too embarrassed to be seen. When we did speak at last, it was a 100
brief exchange. 102

"Hey, Chester," I called when he finally crawled out from under, "we don't have to worry 117
about any vampire bunnies anymore. All you have to do is stand outside his cage in that sweater, 135
and he'll laugh himself to death." 141

Chester was not amused. "That's right, make fun. All of you. No one understands. 154
I tried to warn them, and they wouldn't heed. Now I'm going to take matters into my own hands." 173

Whereupon, Chester and his sixteen purple mice went into the kitchen for dinner. 185

That night, I had an uneasy sleep. 192