

CBM #3/Grade 4

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Instructions

You are going to read this story titled House for Sale out loud. This story is about when the Daniels' are selling their house (place the reading passage in front of the child, 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.

House for Sale

"You've done a really nice job decorating." Mrs. Bradley is looking in a cupboard, 13
which has shelves that twirl around. 19

"Thank you," Mrs. Daniels says. "We really loved living here and hope that the next 33
family loves it, too." 37

I don't want there to be a "next family" here. 47

I remember how we all sat around looking at wallpaper and stuff when the kitchen was 63
being redone. 65

Mrs. Daniels said that since everyone in the house was going to see it every day, 80
everyone could help decorate it. She also said that since I was practically a member of the 97
family, I could help, too. 102

They didn't pick the wallpaper that Justin and I wanted, baseball players. 113

Instead, there are flowers all over the wall. 121

Mrs. Bradley says, "If you don't mind, I would like my husband to see this house soon." 137

Soon. That sounds serious. 141

I can't help myself. "I hope you don't mind alligators in the toilet." 154

Mrs. Bradley looks surprised and then she grins. "Alligators in the toilet. That's quite a 168
bonus." 169

She and Mrs. Daniels look at each other and smile. 178

This is definitely not a good sign. The grown-ups leave the room. 191

Justin, Danny, and I continue playing cookie basketball. We pretend that everything's 201
the same. I try not to get too nervous. After all, a zillion people have seen the house and not 221
bought it. 223

Maybe Mrs. Bradley's husband will hate it. I hope I'm here when he looks at the house. 239
I'll be sure to mention giant termites. 246

Mrs. Daniel returns. "Amber, would you like to stay for dinner tonight? I'll call your 259
mother and see if she wants to join us. We'll order pizza." 271