

First Reading

Level Four

Level Four titles build readers' stamina still further, and are 48 pages entirely devoted to the story (up to 750 words). The narrative is more developed, there is more text on each page, and sentence structure and vocabulary are more descriptive.

Subjects include classic folk and fairy tales and original fiction.

Illustration by
Jacqueline East from
The Town Mouse
and the Country Mouse



Opposite: from
Percy and the Pirates
by Russell Punter,
illustrated by Kate Sheppard

Percy was sinking fast.
Just then, he saw a ship.
“Help!” he yelled.



The ship came closer.
“Please hurry!” he shouted.
Soon it would be too late.