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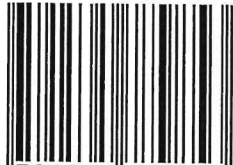
Phonetic Concepts Practiced

Compound Words (milkshake)
 -less (endless)
 -ness (sweetness)
 -ly (lovely)

Nondecodable Sight Words Introduced

answer
 something

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Something Grand



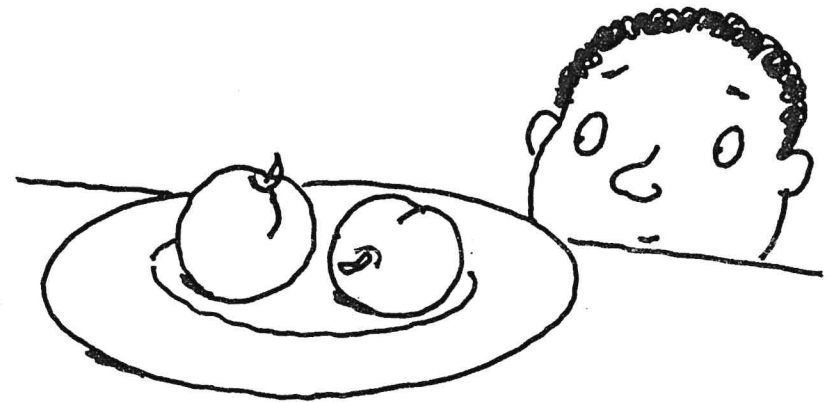
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Grandmother sets the plums upon a plate.

“Look! Are they not fine?” she asks.



“Perhaps,” I answer her softly. “But I myself like apples!”

Grandmother picks up a plum. The plum is smooth and spotless. “Don’t you want to try this?” she asks.



I answer shyly, "I don't think I like plums."

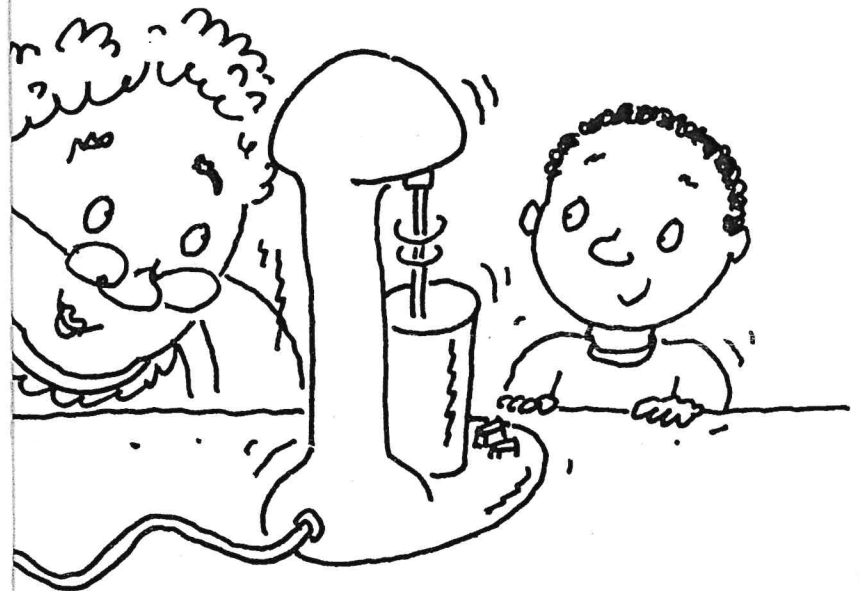
"That cannot be!" she says sadly.



"Did you not have any plum pancakes? I myself love pancakes with plum jam!"



“Will you try something?”
Grandmother asks. “Will you
try a plum milkshake? I will
gladly make it myself!”



“Plum milkshake?” I look at
her oddly.

“Tiptop to the last drop!”
she answers. Grandmother
blends a plum milkshake in
the blender.



I sip the milkshake as
Grandmother smiles widely.
Grandmother is right! Plums
are something grand!

The End

Understanding the Story

Questions are to be read aloud by a teacher or parent.

1. What does Grandmother say about plums?
2. What kind of book does Grandmother show her grandson?
3. What does she make for him in the blender?
4. What does the boy think about plums in the end?

Answers: 1. Possible answer: that they have endless goodness and a lovely sweetness 2. a cookbook 3. a plum milkshake 4. Possible answer: that plums are something grand

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