Lesson 46: The Two Sounds of C

Phonics Focus: The letter "c" has no sound of it's own. When used before a, o, u, and other letters, c has the hard sound of "k". When used before e, i, and y, c says the soft sound of "s".

C = "K" hard sound (ca, co, cu, and other letters)

cat	cot	curl	car
coal	clam	cut	clip
crab	fact	un/cle	cub
came	object	act	pic/nic
cir/ <u>cus</u> can/dy	cab co/bra	mus/ic cash	clin/ic care
traf/fic	corn	clock	scalp
scuff Jacob	call I/saac	care/free in/sig/nif/i/o	Canaan cant
cap/i/tal	cap/tain	be/came	accuse
crawl con/cerned	care/ful cup-bearer	clean Sec/ond-in-0	cur/i/ous Com/mand
en/cour/age	clean	clothes	rec/om/mend

could con/sume con/tent cau/tious/ly ac/tu/al/ly cri/sis scrawny sickly

C = "S" (ce, cy, and ci):

spice cell lice cent place rice mice lace <u>cir</u>/cus ci/der since peace cy/cle cy/clone cy/press cym/bal cyl/in/der fancy icy juicy cy/ph/er cit/i/zen cir/cle twice cit/rus city cir/cut civ/ic civ/il ci/gar cin/ch once mag/nif/i/cent in/no/cent pal/ace con/cern/ing pro/ceed/ed rec/on/cil/i/a/tion

Cows, Corn, and a Fancy Palace

Genesis 37-47



Once there was a care/free young man named Jo/seph who lived in an area called Ca/naan, which is now Is/ra/el. He was the e/lev/enth of twelve brothers born to a God-

fearing man named Jacob, the son of Isaac, the son of Ab/ra/ham. Joseph's family circle was large, but his brothers did not like him. In ad/di/tion to being their father's fa/vor/ite child and re/ceiv/ing a fancy colorful coat, Joseph had some mag/ni/fi/cent dreams that made the brothers feel in/sig/nif/i/cant. They wanted to get rid of Joseph, so they sold him as a slave, and he was taken to the cap/it/al city of E/gypt. He was pur/chased by a citizen named Pot/i/phar, who was the cap/tain of the pal/ace guard for the Pha/raoh, the great leader of Egypt. Joseph was very dil/i/gent. He worked hard for Potiphar and be/came the top slave in charge of his en/tire house/hold. Every/thing was going very well for Joseph until Po/ti/phar's wife ac/cused him of doing some/thing he had not done. Even though Joseph was in/no/cent, Potiphar threw him in prison. It was an awful place: mice ran around on the floor and lice crawled on his scalp. He decided to make the best of it, though, and so he carefully served the man who was in charge of the prison,

cleaning prison cells and giving the pris/on/ers their meals. He did this for sev/er/al years.

Then one day, the Pharaoh of Egypt was curled up with his cat

on his royal cot and had a cur/i/ous dream. In the dream, seven heal/thy cows were eaten up by seven scrawny, thin cows. Then he had another dream: seven healthy, ro/bust ears of corn came up on one stalk. Then seven thin, sickly ears of

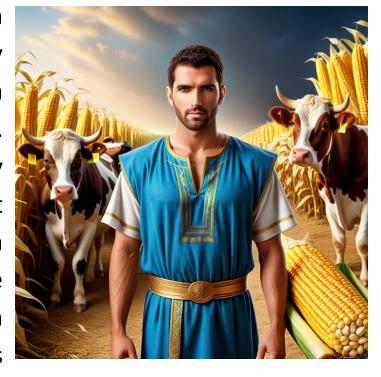


corn came up and ate up the healthy ears of corn. Pharaoh was con/cerned. What did the dreams mean? Pharaoh's cup-bearer had been in prison with Joseph for a short time, and Joseph had in/ter/pret/ed one of the cup-bearer's dreams for him, saying that he would be let out of prison. So the cup-bearer en/cour/aged Pharaoh to call Joseph to come to the Royal Palace to interpret Pharaoh's dream for him. Pharaoh called for Joseph. Joseph was al/lowed to clean up, put on clean clothes, and come before Pharaoh in the fancy Royal Palace. When Pharaoh asked him to interpret the dream, Joseph humbly responded, "I cannot interpret dreams, but GOD can. He will give you peace con/cern/ing your dream."

Pharaoh pro/ceed/ed to tell Joseph about the dream. GOD revealed to Joseph that the seven healthy cows and seven robust ears of corn were seven years of good wea/ther that would produce

a boun/ti/ful harvest. However, after those good years would come seven years of famine, and people would starve if they did nothing to prepare for it. Joseph rec/om/mend/ed that Pharaoh prepare wise/ly and store up corn during the seven good years, which could then be con/sumed during the seven years of fam/ine. Content with this idea, Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of the whole project. In fact, Joseph was made Second-in-Command of the entire nation of Egypt! Not only did Joseph save the lives of all the citizens of Egypt, but he also saved his own family's lives. His brothers came to Egypt

twice with cash to buy corn from Joseph. The first time they came, he cau/tious/ly kept it a secret that he was their brother. How/ever, the second time they came, he cried with great e/mo/tion, re/veal/ing to them that he was indeed Joseph. He forgave them for selling him as a slave and explained that it was



ac/tu/al/ly part of GOD's plan to save their family from starving to death. Joseph in/vi/ted his whole family to move to Egypt so that he could care for them through the re/main/der of the food crisis. Joseph's acts of kind/ness and for/give/ness brought rec/on/cil/i/a/tion and peace to his entire family.

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS:

- 1. What did the dream about the cows and the corn mean?
- 2. Who did Pharoah put in charge of preparing for the famine?
- 3. Was Joseph angry at his brothers for selling him into slavery or did he forgive them?

PROJECT:

Proverbs 21:5 says, "Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty."

Looking ahead, is there any event that will happen in your future that you need to prepare for? What could you do right now to be Early, Ready, and Prepared for that event?