

# Uncle Deckle and the Maple Apples



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**BEFORE YOU READ:** *(All SnapWords® resources are available at child1st.com)*

**SOUND SPELLINGS:** /L/ spelled LE. Words with LE endings: UNCLE, DECKLE, MAPLE, CATTLE, TABLE, RAFFLE, APPLE, SAMPLE, HUDDLE, CABLE, HANDLE, BUCKLE, RATTLE, WOBBLE, TACKLE, TROUBLE, TOPPLE, GRUMBLE. Apart from the LE endings, please point out that many of the words have a double consonant in the middle before the LE ending. All of those words have a short vowel sound before the double letter: “cattle, raffle, apple, huddle, rattle, wobble, topple.” There are other words which have two consonants, but they are not a double consonant. The vowels in those words are also short: “uncle, Deckle, sample, handle, buckle, tackle, grumble.” As you make columns with these words, please underline the double consonant so they stand out for the students. Finally, there are words with Long vowel sounds and only one additional consonant before the LE: “maple, table, cable.

**SNAPWORDS®:** D Words: ALWAYS, UPON. G Words: MAIN, THAT’S. UPON can be easily sounded out as a simple compound word. ALWAYS would be ALL and WAYS but one L in ALL is dropped. The AY spelling is similar to these words: “plays, lays, sprays, trays, ways”. MAIN has a long A spelling (AI) that it shares with: “pain, nail, mail, sail, tail, bain, train, plain.” THAT’S is a contraction of two words: “that” and “is.”

**PREVIEW:** Scan the storyline together to locate SnapWords® and target sound spellings.

**READ:** Please follow reading tips as outlined in Book 1 in this section.

## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS:

1. What is always in the middle of Uncle Deckle’s fair?
2. What are some things Uncle Deckle has on tables at the fair?
3. What happened while the kids were on the ride? What were the cows doing?
4. How did Uncle Deckle help?

1. The cattle show. 2. Maple apples and a raffle. 3. The main cable was loose. The cows got out and knocked over the table of apples. 4. Uncle Deckle fixed the cable on the ride.



Uncle Deckle has a fair in the summer that's fun for kids. The main part of the fair is the cattle show that's always in the middle of the fair.

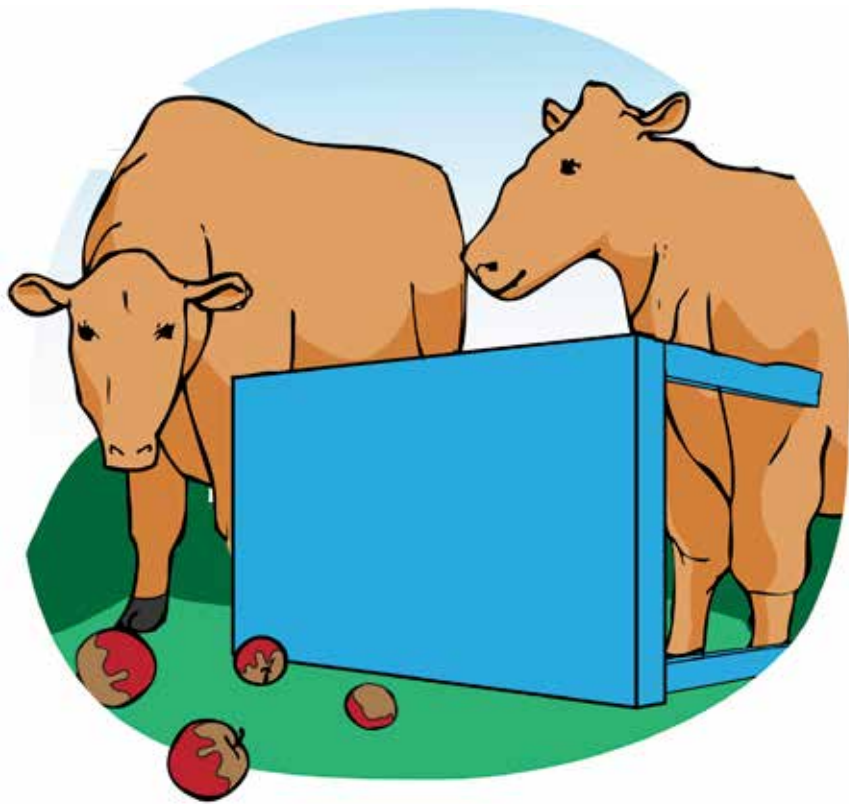
By the cattle are tables. One table has a raffle upon it. Another has little maple apples to sample.

The kids always go see the cattle first, then go to the ride. At the end, they huddle at the table to get an apple.

This day, the kids don't see they left the gate open to the cattle pen.

No one saw the cattle come to the table to sample the maple apples. All the cattle huddled by the table eating.

Soon the table began to wobble, then it toppled over! Crash!





No one grumbled about the lost apples. “The main thing is that the kids are safe. That’s all that matters,” they said.