



CHAPTER 3
HOW THE CAMEL GOT HIS HUMP



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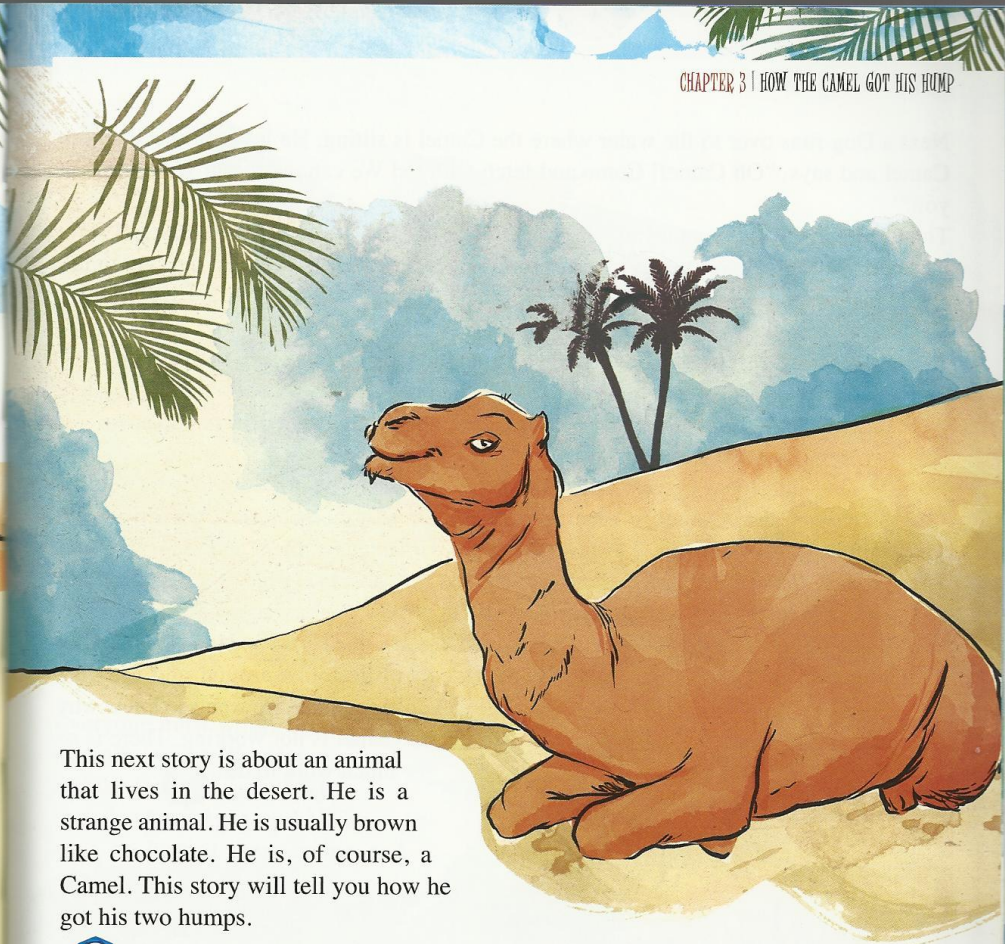
t (Grade 2) Look at the picture and answer the questions then take turns asking your partner the questions.



- 1) How many camels are there?
- 2) How many birds are there?
- 3) How many horses are there?
- 4) How many palm trees are there?
- 5) How many Egyptians are there?
- 6) How many pyramids are there?

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This next story is about an animal that lives in the desert. He is a strange animal. He is usually brown like chocolate. He is, of course, a Camel. This story will tell you how he got his two humps.

6 Now, this one Camel in particular does not like working. He never wants to work. In fact, you can say that he *hates* working! He is not very friendly and he definitely is not very sociable. He doesn't like talking to anyone! He prefers being alone all the time. When the others go to work, he just eats his food and drinks his water. He loves sitting next to the water in peace. You can speak to him, but he always replies angrily with "Humf!"

One day a large brown Horse comes to speak with the Camel. The Horse says, "Oh Camel! Come out and work with us. We are very busy today. We need your help."

But the lazy Camel looks at the Horse and says, "Humf!" Obviously, the Camel does not want to work and he definitely does not want to talk to the Horse.

So the Horse leaves the Camel and goes to talk with his boss. "The Camel does not want to work!" he says to the boss. "He just says 'humf!'"

Next a Dog runs over to the water where the Camel is sitting. He looks at the stubborn Camel and says, "Oh Camel! Come and fetch with us! We cannot do our work without you!"

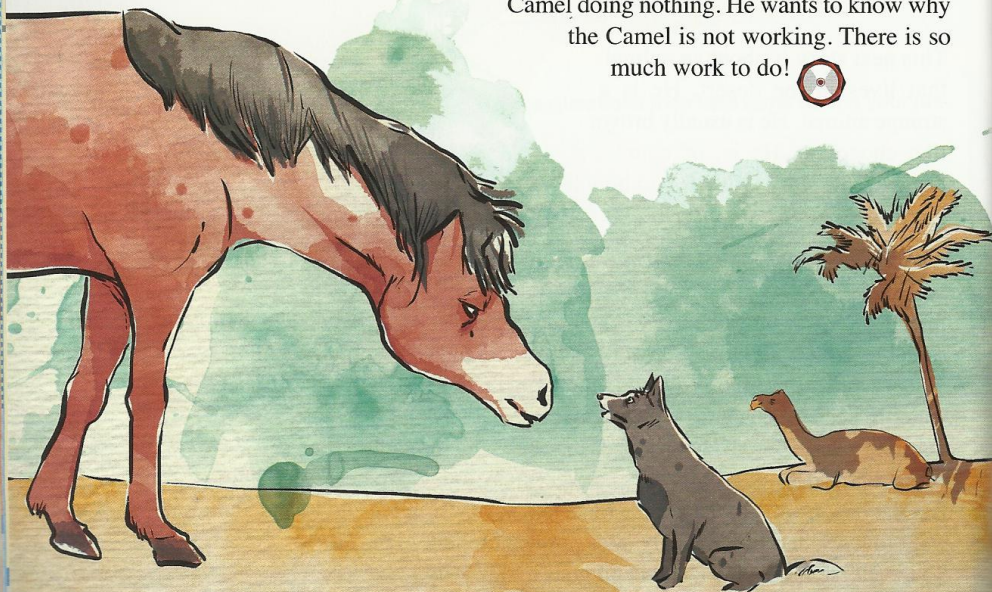
The Camel is now very annoyed. He wants to eat and drink in peace. He does not want these distractions. He opens his mouth and says, "Humf!" to the Dog and then continues eating his food.

So the Dog, like the Horse, leaves the Camel and talks to his boss.

At the end of the day, the boss calls the Dog and the Horse. He says to them, "I am very sorry for you two. That Humf-thing can't work! He does nothing all day. He just sits there and eats his food and drinks his water. What a lazy animal! Let's not disturb him anymore! But now, you two must work double!"

Now the Dog and Horse are very upset with the Camel. They do not want to work double. That is not fair! They want the Camel to work, too. In that moment, the Camel walks by the two animals. He sees that they are very angry. He laughs at them and says, "Humf!" Then he walks away. This makes the Horse and the Dog absolutely *hate* the Camel! Later that night, a magic Genie flies in from Arabia. He arrives on his magic carpet. He stops near the Horse and the Dog and gets off the carpet. He sees the Horse and the Dog working

very hard. But then, he looks around and sees the Camel doing nothing. He wants to know why the Camel is not working. There is so much work to do!



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Everyone must work! So he walks over to the Horse and the Dog and asks, "Why does that Camel not work? Why does he just sit there eating and drinking?"

"We don't know, Genie. He is a lazy, stubborn animal. He does not want to do anything. The only thing he says is "Humf!"

Now, also the Genie is very angry. He wants all his animals to be busy. So, he decides to speak with the Camel. He walks over to the Camel and says, "Why are you not working, you lazy, **useless** Camel? We have a lot to do!"

"Humf!" says the Camel, uninterested in the Genie's presence.

"Your laziness is making more work for the other animals. It is not fair! All you do is eat and drink. This must stop!"

"Humf!" says the Camel.

Here, the Genie's face becomes red with rage and yells, "Do NOT say that word again! You stupid Camel!"

The Camel does not listen to the Genie and again, he says, "Humf!"



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But now the Camel feels something strange on his back. His back is not **flat** and **smooth** anymore. No! Now there is a large *humf* on his back! It **looks like** a little mountain!

The Genie, with a big smile on his face, looks at the Camel and laughs, "Ha haha! Look! You have a *humf* on your back! Now, go and do some work!"

The Camel looks at the Genie with sad eyes and says, "But I cannot work with this *humf* on my back! It is impossible!"

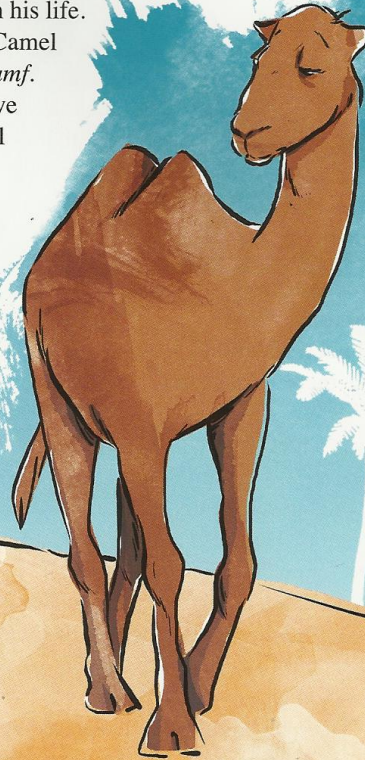
"Sure you can!" replies the Genie, "That *humf* is very special. It conserves all the food you eat and all the water you drink. You can work for three days without eating or drinking! Ha haha!"

At this point, the Camel is devastated. He knows that he must work now. So he runs to the Horse and the Dog and he begins working for the first time in his life.

And from that day to this day, the Camel continues to work and to wear his *humf*.

But today, we call it a *hump* because we do not want to **remind** the poor Camel about his sad history.

Flat: piatta
Smooth: liscia
Looks like: sembra
Remind: ricordare



POST-READING ACTIVITIES

1 - Into the TEXT

Circle true or false.

- 1) Camels live in the desert.
- 2) The Camel loves working.
- 3) The Camel is very friendly.
- 4) The Camel is lazy.
- 5) A Horse and a Dog talk to the Camel.
- 6) The Horse and Dog must work double.
- 7) A Genie arrives from Serbia.
- 8) The Genie is happy with the Camel.
- 9) The Genie puts a *humf* on the Camel's back.
- 10) The Camel does not need to eat or drink for three days.

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2 - Working with LANGUAGE

Present Continuous

We use the Present Continuous to talk about actions happening at the moment.

Ex. I am reading a book now.

Affirmative

We form the Present Continuous with: **subject + to be + verb + ing.**

To Drink → *I am drinking.*

Negative

For the negative we use: **subject + to be + not + verb + ing.**

To play → *you are not playing.*

Interrogative

To make questions we use: **to be + subject + verb + ing.**

To Sing → *Are you singing?*

Choose the correct letter to complete the sentence with the Present Continuous.

The Camel by the water

- a. eats
- b. is eating
- c. are eating

The Horse and the Dog in the field

- a. works
- b. are working
- c. is working

The Camel anything.

- a. is not doing
- b. does
- c. are not doing

He a magic carpet

- a. ride
- b. are not riding
- c. is riding

"I the water."

- a. is drinking
- b. am drinking
- c. are drinking

They over to the camel.

- a. walks
- b. is walking
- c. are walking

Change these questions in the present simple to the Present Continuous.

What does the Camel eat? What is the Camel eating?

What does the Horse say?

Where do they go?

What does the Genie do?

What do you drink?

"Why don't you work?"



Vocabulary

Fill in the table with the following words.

sand, water, cold, blue, hot, whale, camel, waves, wind, shark, cactus

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3 - Beyond the TEXT

(Grade 2) Fill in the blanks in the following conservation then read the dialogue with their.

- A. Hello!
- B. Hi!
- A. Nice
- B. You, too!
- A. What
- B. David.
- A. How
- B. 15.
- A. Where
- B. Italy



Farm Animals

Find the words in the word search.

Word search grid:

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- RABBITS
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- CHICKEN



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