

# Crack! Got It!





Gran grips the  
hose and spies  
each tree. I jump  
and wave and  
shout with glee!

'Grow up tall!' I yell with glee. My **cries** ring  
out from plant to tree!

Gran **spies** me and takes a **brief** rest.

'Keep at it,' she calls, 'you are the best!'



Gran tied a rope  
way up high. Her  
lift will take her to  
the sky!

I turn the wheel  
round and round.  
Up flies Gran from  
the ground!





Gran is up high in  
the tree. The fruit  
flies down fast and  
free!

Thump and bump,  
each piece drops in.  
'That is the lot!' Gran  
calls with a grin!

The coconut husk  
will not give way.  
Gran grabs the blade  
to save the day!

I reach for a **piece**  
and hold on tight.  
We will not give up  
on this fight!





I tried to sneak off for a brief bit of fun. But Gran spies me and cries, 'We are not done!'

I sigh, but she's right. She is the best! We've got much more left, and no time to rest!

Gran swings the  
blade, and crack,  
the water flies!

'Got it, each  
drop!' I shriek, and  
'Yes!' Gran cries.





We scrape out the meat from the coconut shell. I crank the tool hard, and all is not well.

I tried and I tried, and I nearly cried. At last Gran smiles, her face full of pride.

Gran cooks the coconut on the stove top. She pours and stirs and will not stop!

I breathe in deep at the sweet, sweet smell.

Gran's **pies** are the best. Oh, she bakes them well!



Gran tips the  
coconut into the tin.  
She tries to smooth  
it flat. 'Let the bake  
begin!'

I will not miss this! I  
rest my chin. I watch  
each piece go in.



The **dried** coconut sits in chunks on the tray.  
Gran grins and leans close. 'Now pack them  
away!'

I **tried** to pack each chunk right to the brim. I  
press the lid on tight, neat and trim.





Now for the best part.

It is time to eat! I

shriek and grab a

piece of the treat.

I hold it up high. 'Got

it!' I call with glee. All

those tries paid off

for Gran and for me!



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Gran has a plan to make the best coconut bars in the whole world - but will they ever actually be done? From climbing trees and cracking husks to cranking, stirring, and baking, every step is harder than the last. Can one determined kid stick with Gran through all the pulling, puffing, and "we are NOT done" moments to reach that first sweet bite? This decodable reader practices the 'ie' phonogram in words like 'tied,' 'spied,' 'flies,' 'piece,' and 'tries.'

Reading Skills: <ie>

brief, cried, cries, dried, flies, piece, pies, shriek, spied, spies, tied, tried, tries

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