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Each reader's part is highlighted in color.

List of Characters

(in order of appearance)

Group 1: Green

Group 2: Blue

Annie: Purple

All: Red

Group 3: Orange

Oliver: Light Blue

When the characters speak in unison, it is noted as **All**.



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Group 1: Annie gets her key, unlocks the door, and goes into her office.

Annie: Oh, my! What is all this?

Oliver: Hoo! Hoo! Happy birthday, Annie!

All: Hooray! It's a special birthday at the Wahoo Zoo!



Nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo



Group 1: It is the end of the day at the Wahoo Zoo. The visitors have all gone home.

Group 2: Annie the zookeeper stops at each animal's habitat.

Annie: Good night, good night!
Sweet dreams and sleep tight!

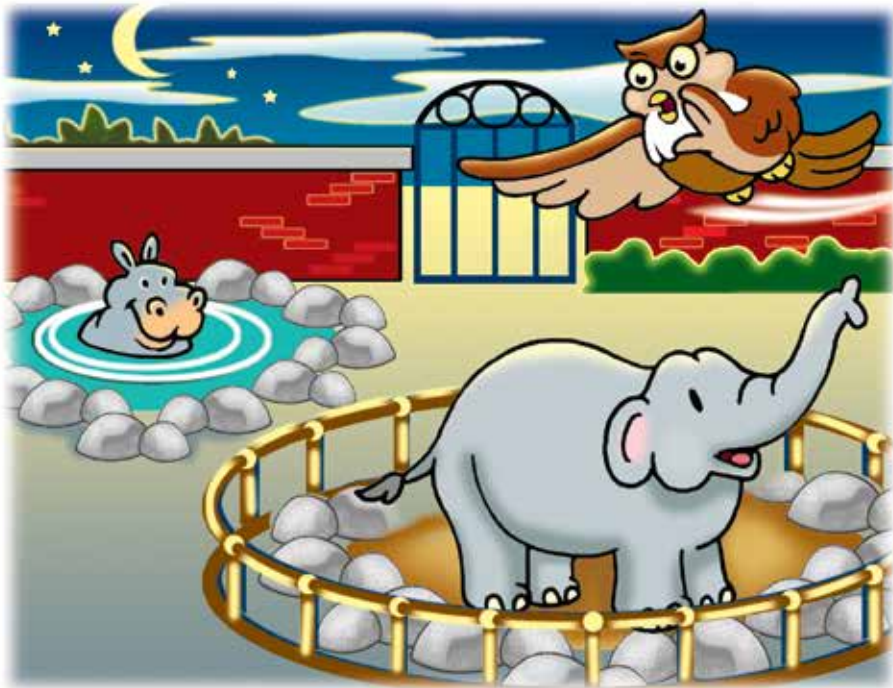
All: *Shhhhh!* It's nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo.

Group 3: Annie locks her office door. She puts her key in a secret hiding place and goes home.

All: *Shhhhh!* It's nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo.

Group 1: Do you hear something? Is it Oliver the owl?

Oliver: Hoo! Hoo! The coast is clear!



Group 1: Now it is starting to get light. All the animals go back to their habitats.

Group 2: Max locks Annie's office door. He puts the key back in the secret hiding place.

Group 3: Soon Annie the zookeeper arrives.

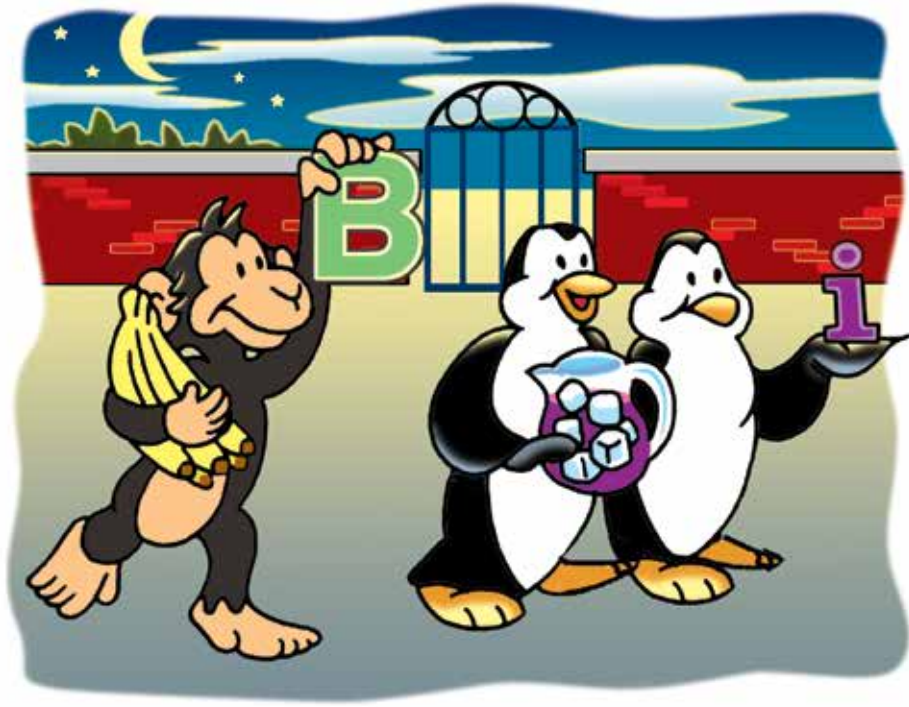
Annie: Good morning! My, everyone looks a little sleepy today!



Group 2: Two penguins waddle up carrying a letter I and an icy drink.

Group 3: Charlie the chimp leaps in with a bunch of bananas and the letter B.

All: *Shhhhh!* It's nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo.



Group 2: All around the zoo, there are sounds.

Group 3: With a grunt, the gorillas rub their eyes.

Group 1: The monkeys pry open the door to their habitat.

Group 2: Russ the rhino yawns loudly.

All: *Shhhhh!* It's nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo.



Group 3: Max the monkey finds the key to Annie's office and unlocks the door.

Group 1: Then he waves to the other animals.

All: *Shhhhh!* It's nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo.



Group 2: Barbara the baboon carries in a letter T.

Group 3: Her friend is dragging a big bag of tangerines!

Group 1: Some birds fly in with an R and a small bag of rice!

All: *Shhhhh!* It's nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo.

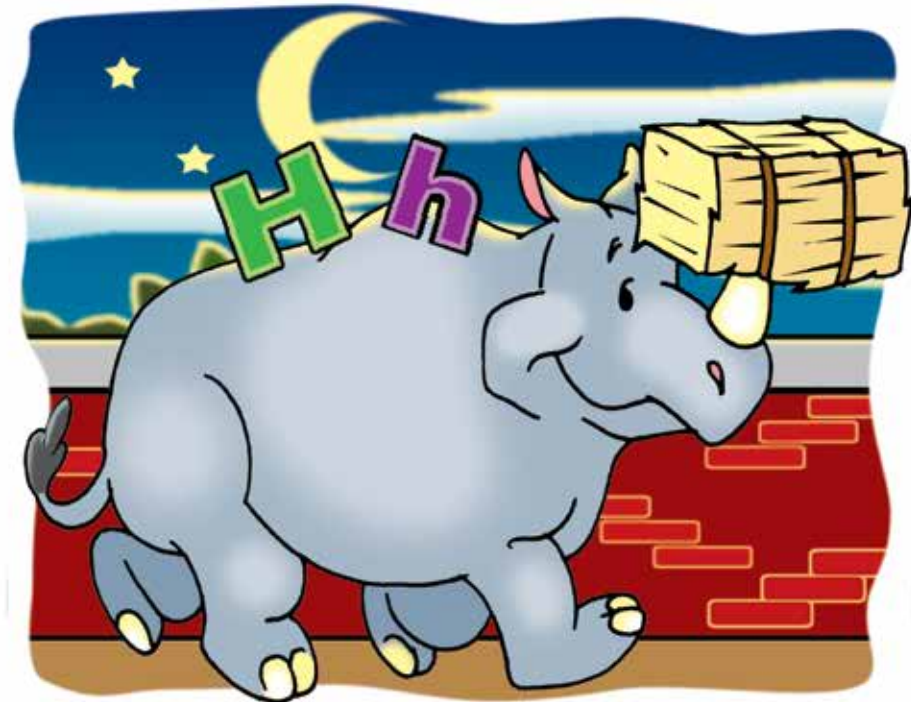


Group 2: Russ the rhino is carrying two *H*'s on his back and a big bale of hay stuck on his horn.

Group 3: He strolls into Annie's office.

Group 1: When Russ comes out, he isn't carrying the hay or the letters.

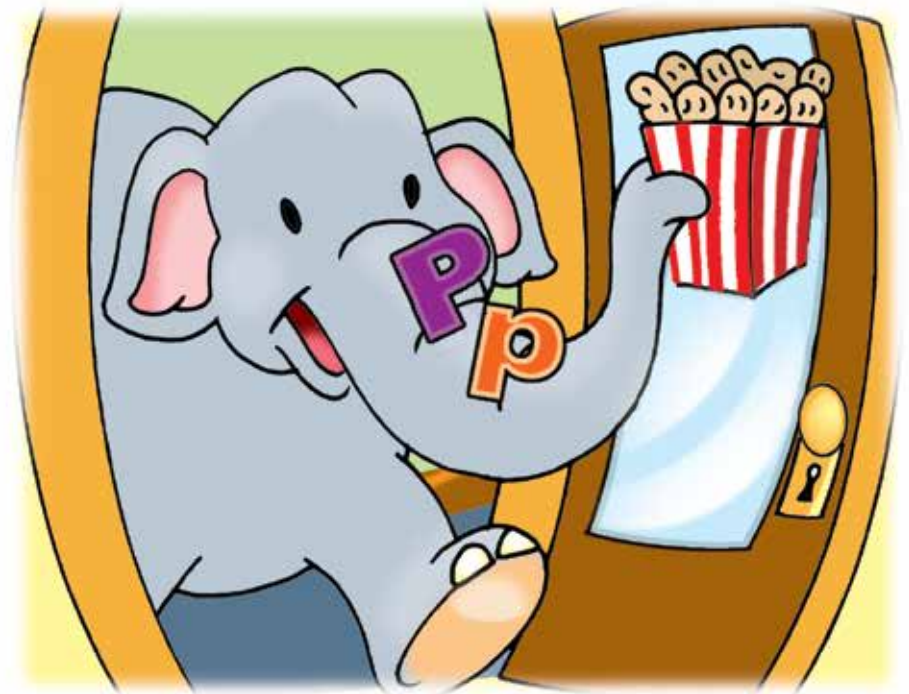
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Group 2: Emma the elephant is carrying two letter *P*'s and a bag of peanuts with her trunk.

Group 3: She squeezes through the door into Annie's office. When Emma comes out, her trunk is bare.

All: *Shhhhh!* It's nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo.



Group 1: Zelda the zebra takes in two letter *A*'s and an apple.

Group 2: Then Fred the flamingo shows up with a letter *D* and a doughnut.

Group 3: Pete the pig is next. He tiptoes into Annie's office. He has two letter *Y*'s and a yam in his mouth.

Group 1: When Zelda, Fred, and Pete come out, they aren't carrying anything.

All: *Shhhhh!* It's nighttime at the Wahoo Zoo.

