

Huge Gene



Learning Dynamics Readers

Help the child sound out these new words before reading this book.

New Words

Gene	trunk	huge	cub
lost	Skip	cage	

Sight Words

tall	edge	scared	far
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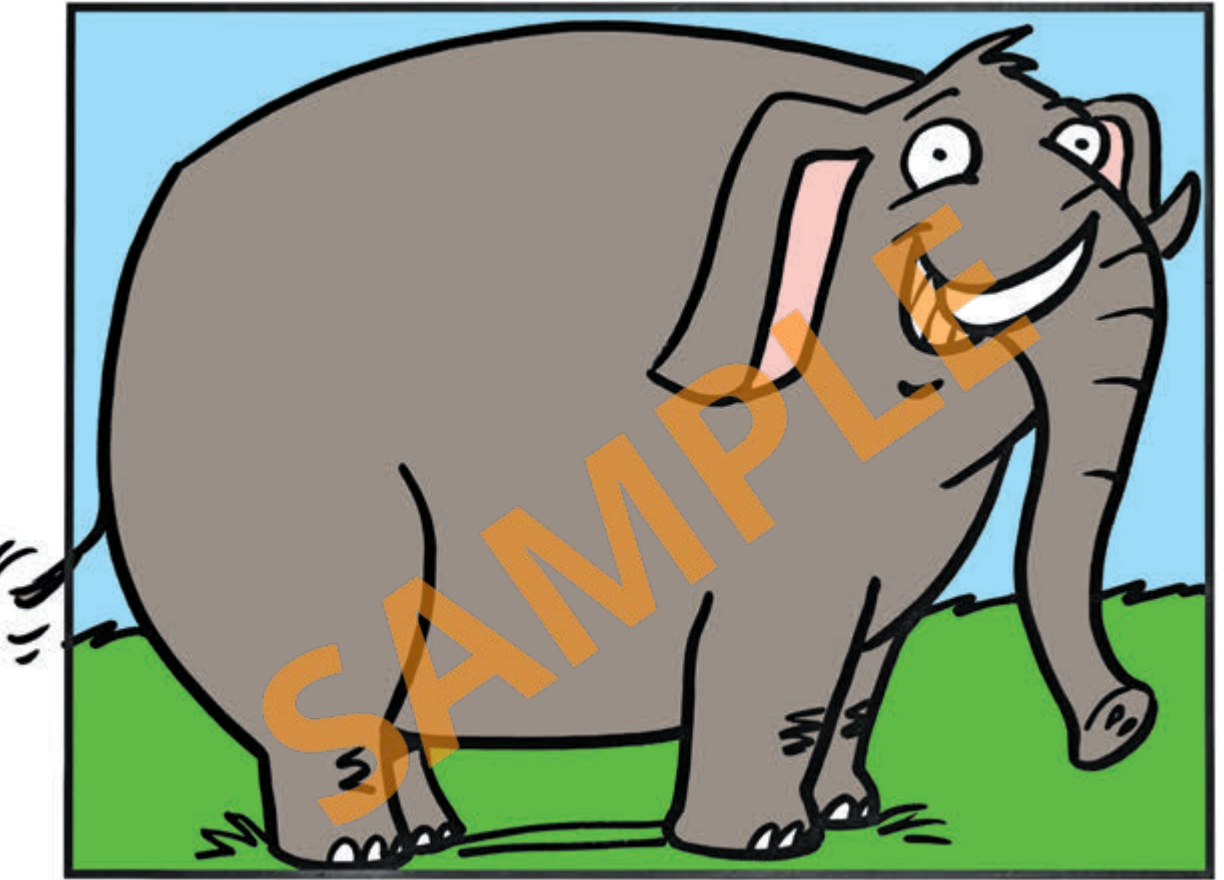
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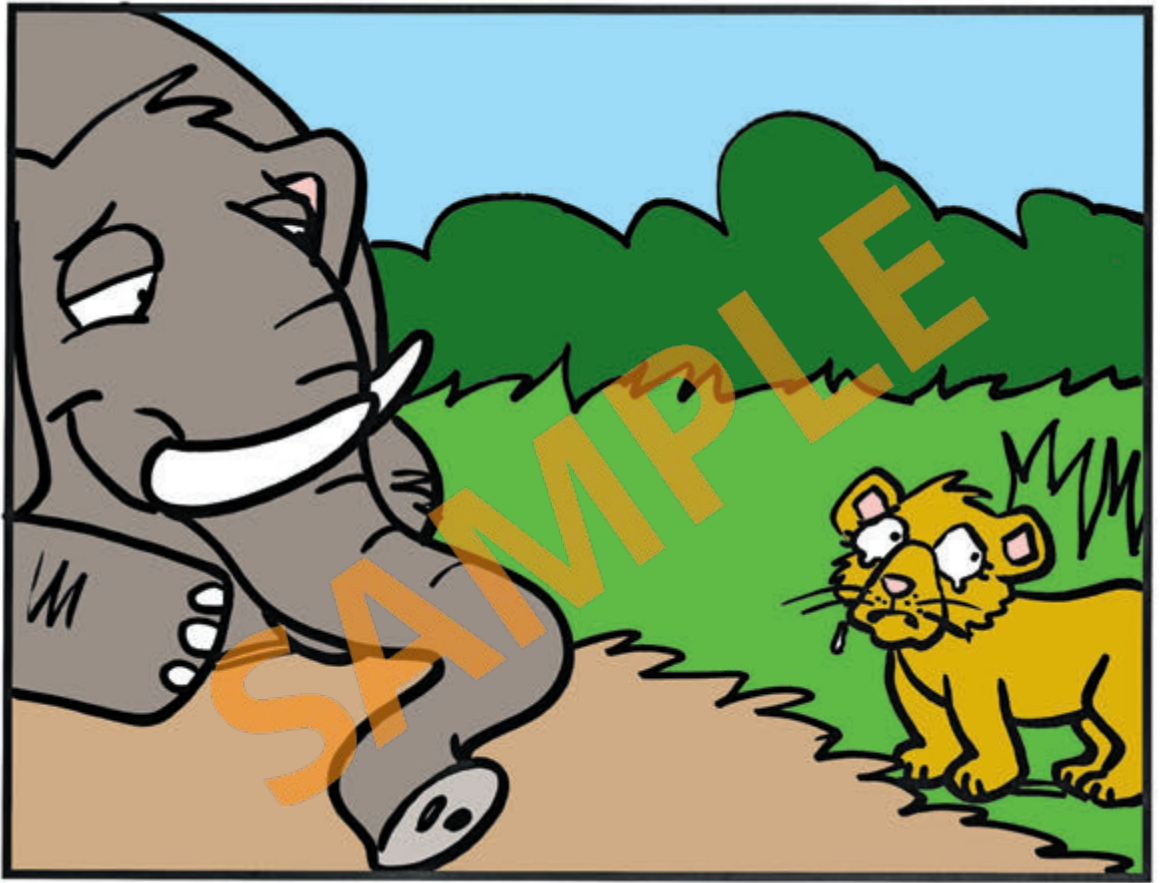


Gene is big.

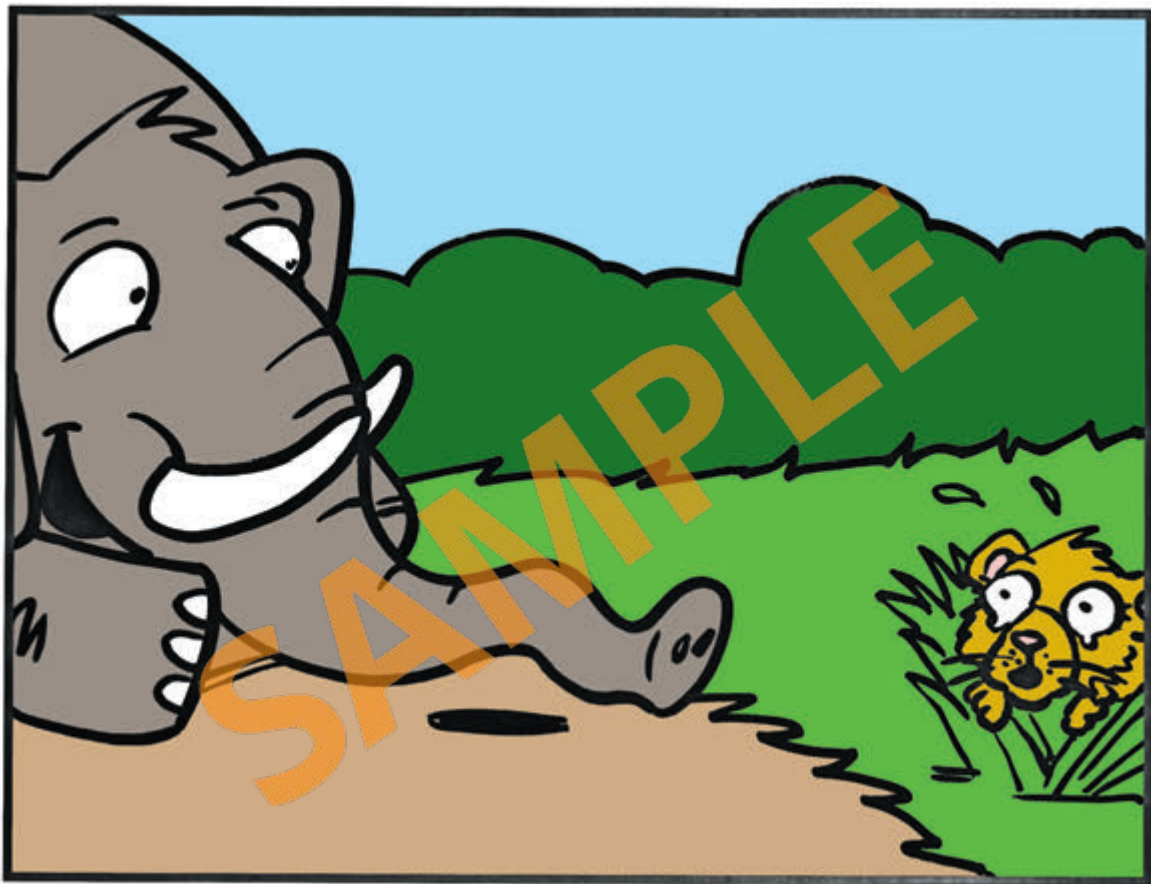
He has a trunk, a tail, and flat ears.

Gene is not just big.

Gene is huge.



Gene likes to rest in the tall grass.
He sees a small cub on the edge of the grass.
The cub is lost.



"Hi, cub," calls Gene.

"Can I help you?"

The cub hides in the tall grass.

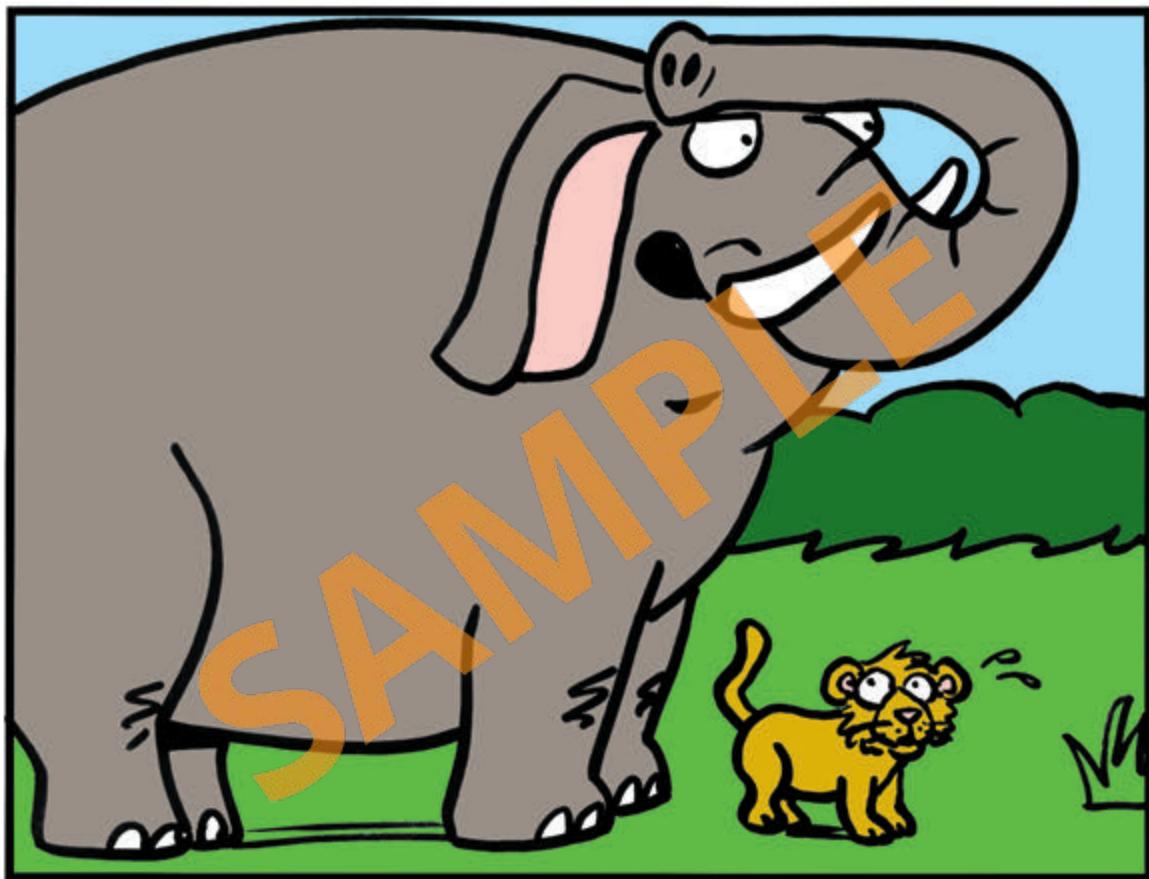
He is scared. Gene is huge.



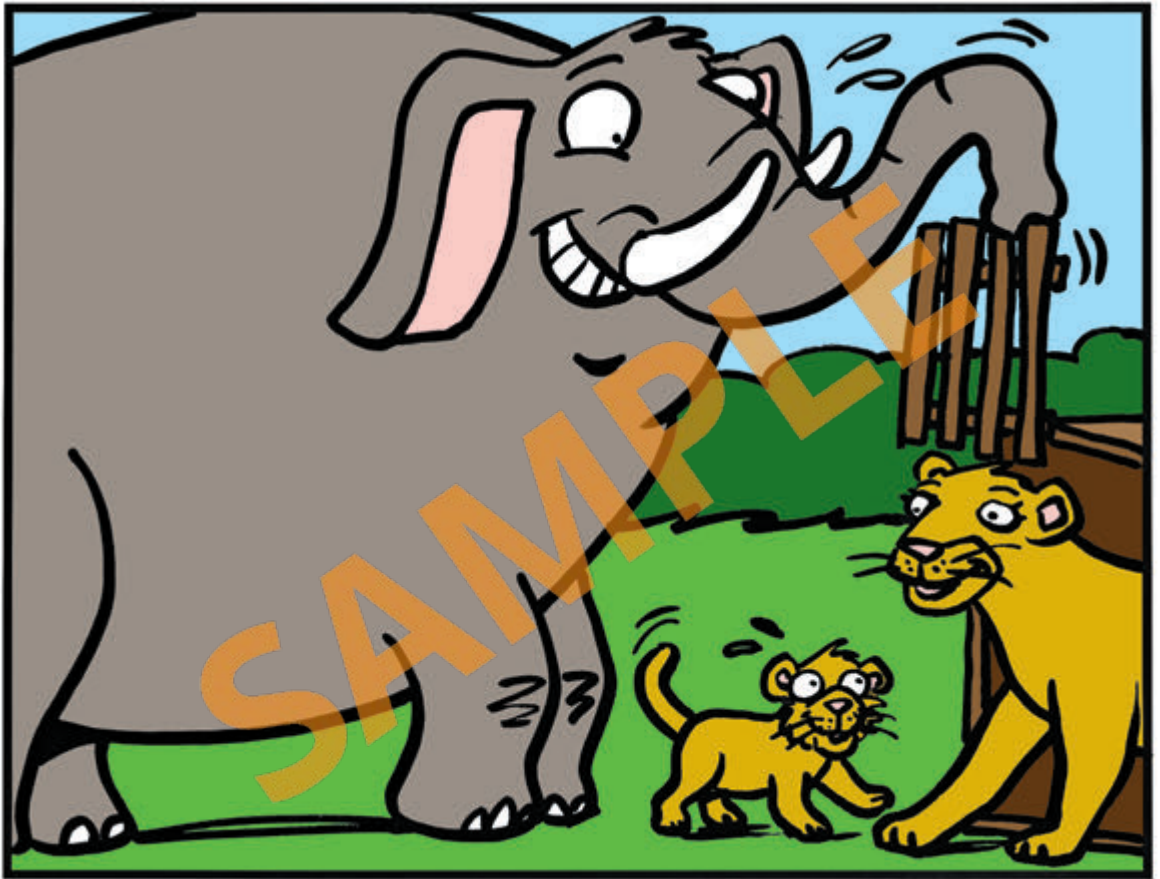
"Do not be scared.
I can help you.
I am huge. I can see far."



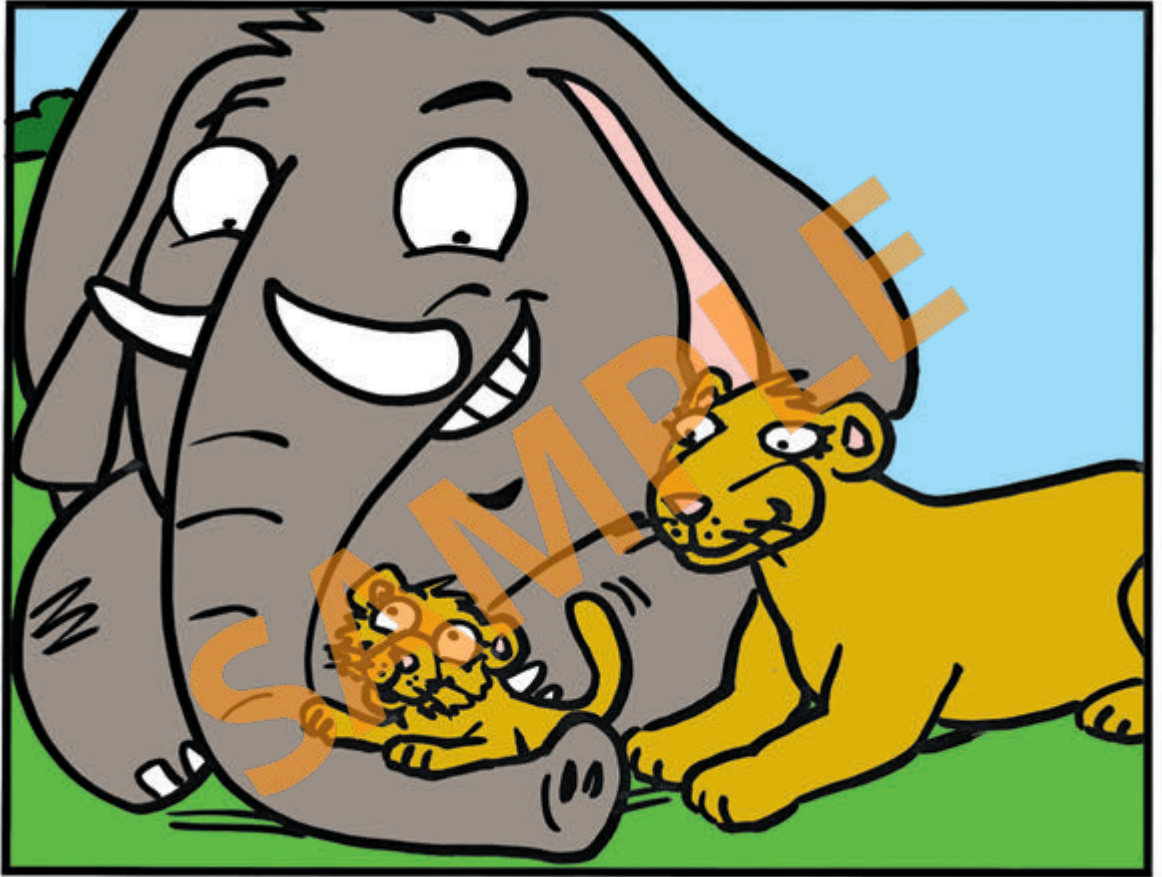
The cub runs to the edge of the tall grass.
"My name is Skip. I am lost.
You are huge. Can you see my mom?"



Gene stands up. He can see far.
"I see your mom.
She is in a cage.
We need to save her."



Gene and Skip run in the tall grass.
They are close to the cage.
Gene can use his trunk.
Skip sneaks in the tall grass.



They let mom out of the cage.

Skip and mom are safe.

"Gene, you are huge, but I am not scared.

It is good to have a huge pal."

Ask these questions after reading the book.

- What kind of animal is Gene?
- Why is Skip afraid of Gene?
- How does Gene help Skip?
- At the end of the story, why isn't Skip scared of Gene anymore?

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