Giant Tortoise

Step by step—see it go.
Step by step—soooo slow.

Heavy shell on its back.
Heavy shell—like a pack.

Plodding on in the sand.
Plodding on over land.

Step by step—see it go.
Step by step—soooo slow.

After You Read
Practice reading the poem.
Make it sound slow like a tortoise.
Read it to an adult.
What Did It Say?

Fill in the circle for the correct answer.

1. How does the tortoise move?  ○ It moves fast.
   ○ It moves quickly.
   ○ It moves slowly.

2. What is the tortoise’s shell like?  ○ It’s like a tent.
   ○ It’s like a pack.
   ○ It’s like a suitcase.

3. Where does the tortoise walk?  ○ It walks in the woods.
   ○ It walks in the snow.
   ○ It walks in the sand.

Draw a picture of a giant tortoise here.
Skills: Blending Words in the –ell Family: Completing Sentences

Working with Word Families

eell

b + ell = ___ ___ ___  t + ell = ___ ___ ___
sh + ell = ___ ___ ___  w + ell = ___ ___ ___
sm + ell = ___ ___ ___  sp + ell = ___ ___ ___

Write one of the new words in each sentence. Then draw a picture to show what the sentence says.

The snail has a hard ___________.

I can ____________ the pretty rose.

The _____________ rings when school starts.

I threw a penny in the wishing _____________.

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Heavy or Light?

Color, cut, and paste. Show which things are heavy and which things are light.

light

heavy
Cool, Man, Cool!

The tortoise wants to look cool. Can you color its shell in a special way? Add shoes and a hat.

Tell what the tortoise looks like.

__________________________________________________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________
In a Shell

Draw another animal that lives in a shell.
Draw the place where it lives, too.

I am a ________________________________________.
I live ________________________________________
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Will It Work?
1. You can fix the rope with a needle and thread.
2. You can fix the tire with a rubber band.
3. You can fix the dress with tape.
4. You can fix the flower with glue.

What would you use to fix a cut on your hand?

Reading Color Words
Color the buttons. Buttons should be correctly colored.

- red
- yellow
- green
- purple
- blue
- orange
- pink
- brown

What Do You Hear?
Fill in the circle under the vowel sound you hear.

- a
- e
- i
- o
- u

What Did It Say?
1. How does the turtle move? It moves fast.
2. What is the turtle's shell like? It's like a box.
3. Where does the turtle walk? It walks on the sand.

Draw a picture of a giant turtle here. Drawings will vary.

Working with Word Families
- tell
  - get tell
  - small
tell spell - tall - sell

To turn one of these words into a sentence, draw a picture to show what the sentence says.

I can spell the pretty vowel.

Drawing will vary.

Cool, Man, Cool!
The turtle wants to look cool. Can you color its shell in a special way? Add flowers and a hat.

Tell what the turtle looks like.

Response will vary.

In a Shell
Use another animal that has a shell. Draw the place where these live, too.

Response will vary.

What Did It Say?
1. Where is the little girl going?
2. How will the little girl carry her bag?
3. What is the little girl holding?

I am a ____________________________
I live ____________________________
I have a ________________