

Teaching Focus:

Phonics: Consonant
Diagraph **th**

Look at the word they.
Can you find other
words that begin with
the same sounds
as they?

Tips on Reading This Book with Children:

1. Read the title.

Predictions – after reading the title have children make predictions about the book.

2. Take a book walk.

Talk about the pictures in the book. Use the content words from the book as you take the picture walk.

Have children find one or two words they know as they do a picture walk.

3. Have children find words they recognize in the text.

4. Have children read the remaining text aloud.

5. Strategy Talk – use to assist children while reading.

- Get your mouth ready
- Look at the picture
- Think...does it make sense
- Think...does it look right
- Think...does it sound right
- Chunk it – by looking for a part you know

6. Read it again.

7. Complete the activities at the end of the book.

Animal Needs

The place an animal lives is its habitat. Habitats contain everything an animal needs to survive.

A photograph of two Eastern bluebirds perched on a tree trunk. The bird in the foreground is facing left and has a large, orange, segmented grub in its beak. The second bird is perched slightly higher and behind the first, looking towards the left. The tree trunk is covered in moss and lichen. A yellow sticky note with a red pushpin is attached to the top right of the image.

Eastern bluebirds find
tasty insects, grubs, and
berries to eat in their
woodland habitat.