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before reading

- 1 **Look** at the picture on the first page and fill in the blanks with these words:

in on next to under

Coco is _____ the cushion.

The sock is _____ the cushion.

The pillow is _____ the basket.

The cushion is _____ Coco.

- 2 **Circle** the sentences that say what you think will happen in this story. When you finish reading the story, **check** if you were right or wrong.

Susan washes Coco's cushion.

Coco takes a nap in a flower bed.

Coco goes swimming.

Coco tries to catch a bee.

A dog chases Coco.

Susan sleeps on Coco's cushion.

Coco tries to take a nap on a baby.

Susan kisses Coco.



1 **Answer** the questions by completing the words.

How does Coco describe her cushion?

W _____ and s _____.

What does Coco compare her cushion to?

A k _____.

What does Susan say about Coco's cushion?

It s _____.

How does Susan trick Coco to get the cushion?

Susan t _____ Coco.

What does Coco do when Susan wins the cushion?

Coco r _____ out of the garden.



2 **Put** the sentences in order.

- But the baby pulls her whiskers.
- But there are bees.
- Finally she finds a sofa.
- 1** Coco wants to take a nap.
- Next she lies in a flower bed.
- First she tries to sleep with a baby.
- It is quiet and peaceful... until a big dog chases her!

during reading

- 3 **Write** the sentences from exercise 2 in the correct order.
Read them to a friend.

- 4 Where do you like to take a nap? **Describe** your favourite place and **draw** it.



- 5 What does Coco see? **Look** at the picture and **match** the furniture with the words.

flowers

sofa

lamp

clock

curtain

cushion

table



carpet

fireplace

- 6 **Choose** the words that Coco usually says.

The little man A hairy dragon Hands off!
Blah, blah It stinks

When something smells bad, Coco says “_____.”

Coco also calls the baby “_____.”

When the people talk, Coco says “_____.”

Coco doesn't say a *dog*, Coco says “_____.”

Coco doesn't say *Don't touch it!*, Coco says “_____.”

- 7 Susan wrote a note to Coco and left it on her cushion.
Unscramble the text.

Hi Ccoo,

Tihs moirng I wheasd yuor chousin. It semlls ncie and celan
and it is sfot lkie a ksis. It's pfecret for yuor nap. Pealse don't
be arngy wtih me. I msis you. Cmoehmoehsoon!

Lvoe,

Suasn

- 8 **Listen** to the CD and **fill in** the blanks.

Susan is in a _____ mood today. "Your cushion _____,
Coco!" she says.

I _____ being tickled!

The baby _____! His mother screams!

And when Coco the Cat needs a _____, Coco the Cat
has a nap!

The _____ warms my tummy.

Do I look like a _____ ?

I _____ walls, I _____ from roof to roof.

This is going to be a _____ nap.

A hairy dragon is going to _____ me!

- 1 **Underline** the correct words and then **read** the sentences to a partner.

Susan is *going to* / *not going to* wash the cushion.

Coco races *into* / *out of* the garden.

The baby *pulls* / *doesn't pull* on Coco's whiskers.

Coco *cares* / *doesn't care* if cars roar, the horns beep and the people say, blah, blah."

Coco thinks that Susan, Mum and Dad *are* / *aren't* lucky to have a cat like her.

- 2 **Write** True (T) or False (F)

Coco likes her cushion clean

Coco finally takes a nap on her cushion

A big dog chases Coco when she's about to take a nap

Coco tries to sleep in a basket full of apples

Susan is going to wash Coco's cushion in the bathtub

Coco loves tickles



3 **Fill in** the chart with the exact words that Coco and Susan say.

Page number	What happens	What they say
4	Susan is going to wash Coco's cushion.	<i>"I'm going to wash it," she says.</i>
4	Coco doesn't want Susan to wash her cushion.	
8	Coco runs away to get revenge because Susan has her cushion.	
18	Coco looks in the window of a house.	
24	Coco escapes from the dog.	
28	Coco is unhappy because her cushion is clean.	
28	Coco isn't really angry at Susan.	

4 At last, Coco takes a nap! **Imagine** what is she dreaming about and **describe** her dream.
