

## Just a Phase for Phil

Level 2  
Core #16

Phil had a wreck in here. To get on his bed, Phil had to climb over piles.	15 17
There were piles of wrinkled shirts, shorts, and pants. There were piles of belts with knots in them. There were piles of wrappers and paper.	27 39 42
Phil's mom did not mind the wreck. "People can have a mess for a short time. This is just a phase for Phil," she said.	54 67
Phil liked his wreck. He felt he had a knack for making a mess.	80 81
Phil liked to win, too. He had a knack for winning! Phil and Tim wanted to have a contest.	94 100
They grabbed hands and gripped hard. Their knuckles hurt. Their thumbs went numb.	109 113
Then Phil's wrist hit the desk. Phil lost. "You must do what I tell you," said Tim.	126 130
"You must pick up the piles in here," said Tim. "Humph!" said Phil as he began to wring his hands. He did not like this one bit.	142 157
But Phil lost. So Phil HAD to pick up the piles. And he did. What would people think if he didn't?	171 178
"Here is a wrench!" said Phil. "Did a plumber forget it?" asked Tim. "I don't know," said Phil. "Here is a phone and a stuffed lamb!"	190 203 204
"What is this letter?" Phil asked. "Did a rock star write to me? Did I write to a rock star?"	216 224
Phil picked up the wrinkled shirts, shorts, and pants. Phil undid the knots in the belts. Phil picked up the wrappers and papers.	234 246 247

Tim knocked and came in. "It looks so good in here!" he said.	260
"Let's take a photo!	264
"Let me use this comb first," said Phil. "This is a better	276
phase, Phil!" said his mom.	281