

Perseverance!

Chant softly:

Perseverance, perseverance, perseverance

(Tune: "Down by the Station")

Down in the first grade,

Early in the morning,

See the ready readers

All in a row.

When we come to new words,

We know how to read them.

Chunk! Chunk! Sound them out!

Off we go!

Chant softly:

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(Tune: "Oh, Where Has My Little Dog Gone?")

Oh, what do you do when you come to a word?

A word that is new to you?

Do you cry and pout, stomp your feet and shout?

Oh, what, oh, what do you do?

Well, we don't give up on those really hard words.

We know all the things we can do.

We work really hard 'til we figure them out.

'Cause that's what good readers do!

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