Tony on the Moon's Children's Picture Books

The Engineers
where does metal come from

Level 1 Book 4
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Tony on the Moon’s Children’s Picture Books
Illustrated Story Books for Children
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They are designed to be easily read on a computer and can be printed on standard A4 size paper (landscape format)

The Books
This is part of a series of small books is arranged in groups of difficulty ranging from 1 to 6. The easiest is group 1, the hardest group 5. It is not just that group 1's are shorter, they are the easiest to read or be spoken. They gradually rise to group 5 which have a lot more text and much more complex stories. There is no bad language or offensive words anywhere in these books.
1 - short simple big pictures
2 - longer stories with more text
3 - slightly higher level than 2
4 - more stories with pictures a lot more text
5 - short stories for teenage to adults

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Cam was singing a little rhyme he was making up to remind himself what things were made of.

I'm knocking on wood

That comes from the trees
That grow in the forest
I'm knocking on stone

That comes from the rock
That's found in the hills
I'm knocking on bricks

That are made from clay
That is dug from the fields
I'm knocking on metal

That comes from err ???? Cam did not know what metal came from.
Cam went to ask Uncle Bearing about where metal came from.

It comes from holes in the ground, said Uncle Bearing.

**BIG HOLES**

Holes that go a long way down.
If it comes from holes it must be stone or its got to be clay said Cam.

Not quite, said uncle Bearing, lets dig a big hole.
As Cam was carrying the rocks Uncle Bearing was digging out he began humming to himself a little song about metal.

Have you found any metal yet.

Digging and digging
What have we found
Looking for metal
Deep in the ground,
Pink rocks, blue rocks,
Yellow rocks, Green
Metal's the only thing
We have not seen.
Cam looked at the stack of rocks he had.
That is not metal that's a pile of rocks.

Not ordinary rocks, said Uncle Bearing
That is what we call Ore.

But now we have to heat up the rocks
Let us go and find a big fire
That is a big fire, said Cam.

That is called a furnace, said Uncle Bearing. Inside there the rocks get much hotter than red hot, they get....
The metal is locked inside the rocks and the heat of the fire melts the metal inside the rock. When that happens the metal turns liquid and forms a pool at the bottom of the Furnace.

Stand back, said Uncle Bearing, I'm going to pull the plug out from the side of the furnace and let the liquid metal come out.
The hot metal poured out of the furnace and ran into channels made in the sand in the floor at the side of the furnace.

That is hot, said Cam, it is a good job we were a long way away.
Next day Cam went Uncle Bearing to the furnace. When it is cold like it is now, he said, we have the raw metal which can be turned into you car, knives, forks even tin cans.

Just one thing, said Cam
A joiner works wood
A mason works stone
A builder likes bricks
But the foundry man
Works Iron.

It words do not match I will have to make up a new rhyme.
About these books
This series of books was designed with two functions in mind:

Firstly as a reading resource for primary education at schools and for private tuition. They are graded from simple picture books to full text short stories. The layout is simple and designed to be fun and downloaded so they may be used without being connected to the internet. The layout and text is designed for easy reading on computer screens. Instructors and parents can be assured there is nothing in these books that not suitable for young children.

Secondly or possibly primarily, somewhere for my little cartoon characters to live. I have been a draftsman for many years and during idle moments and in meetings, especially in meetings, little characters get doodled. These characters seem to take on a little life of their own and hang around in the mind until they eventually find a home in a story. They then seem to go away until the next one comes along. These books and the original web site is somewhere to share these little cartoon characters with. If they give anybody a little enjoyment then I am well pleased.

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