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Section VI (Unit 5)

Spelling Alternatives and Tricky Spellings Associated with /u/ and /ə/

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Spelling Alternatives and Tricky Spellings Associated with /u/ and /ə/ Lesson Template

Spelling Alternatives and Tricky Spellings

Focus: Spelling Alternatives	Teaching	Materials
Warm-Up	Working in a small group, show students Spelling Cards previously taught.	previously taught Spelling Cards
	Say the sound and have students repeat or have students say the sound as you show students the Spelling Card.	Code Flip Books
Introduction/ Teaching	Ask students for the spellings they know for the particular sound.	board or chart paper
reaching	Write the spellings and write several words with that spelling.	Spelling Card(s)
		Vowel Code Flip Book
	Introduce the spelling alternative.	Individual Code Chart
	Write words with the alternate spelling.	
	Go over the alternative spelling by reviewing the spelling of the target sound and words that are written with that spelling, using the Spelling Card(s) and Vowel Code Flip Book.	
	Have students repeat the words.	
	Repeat the words and ask students where the target sound is located, as they refer to the Individual Code Chart.	
Guided Practice	Have a pocket chart or chart paper or use the board with a column for each spelling alternative.	pocket chart or chart paper on board
	Give students cards with words with the different spellings of the target sound.	
	Students read their words and place them under the correct column by spelling.	
Suggested	Students can read isolated words with targeted sound.	
Independent Practice	Students can read list of words or phrases with targeted sound.	
	More proficient students can read connected decodable text with targeted sound.	

Section VI-A

Spelling Alternatives 'o', 'ou', and 'o_e' > /u/ Word Lists

Spelling Alternative: 'o' > /u/ (*son*)

comfort	develop	carrot	among	another	apron
becoming	freedom	gallon	canyon	blossom	brother
gallop	honey	isolate	kingdom	lemon	mammoth
nobody	observe	person	reason	season	together
		union	violent		

Spelling Alternative: 'ou' > /u/ (*touch*)

country	couple	double	famous	generous
nervous	southern	young	enormous	dangerous
furious	cousin	curious	jealous	trouble
marvelous	humorous	numerous	serious	

Spelling Alternative: 'o_e' > /u/ (*come*)

above	become	done	dove
love	glove	none	shove
beloved	come	income	overcome
purpose	welcome	handsome	

Section VI-A

Spelling Alternatives 'o', 'ou', and 'o_e' > /u/ Worksheets Sort the words by spelling. Write the words that have the /u/ sound spelled 'u' under *bug*. Write the words that have the /u/ sound spelled 'o' under *other*.

rush	trust	bunch	son
month	ugly	mother	until
truck	unkind	money	front
/u/ spel	lled 'u'	/u/ sp	oelled 'o'
as in	b <u>ug</u>	as in	n <u>o</u> ther
	rush		

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Fill in the Blanks

	son	mother	brother	cover	month	money
v	vonder	dozen	trumpet	grumpy	mummy	thunder
1.	. We heard the before we saw the lightning.				ning.	
2.	My, not my dad, woke me up this morning.				orning.	
3.	I wish I	had some		to bu	y some candy	•
4.	I feel when I don't get plenty of sleep.					
5.	King Ti	ıt's		was discovere	ed in 1922.	
6.	Did you your nose when you sneezed?					?
7.	The		is a bra	ass instrumer	ıt.	
8.	Did you know that 12 cookies make one?					

Fill in the Blanks

	double	trouble	furious	humorous	
	serious	curious	cousin	young	
1.	My aunt's child is	s my			
2.	I don't like to get	in			
3.	The storyteller wa	as	and	l made us giggle.	
4.	This is a		, not funny, bo	_, not funny, book.	
5.	Most cats are		about thi	ngs.	
6.	He is very		at age two.		
7.	Mom was		when we bro	oke her favorite lamp.	
8.	I would like a		scoop of	ice cream.	

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Name: _
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Find a word from the box that is a synonym for each word.

	love	none	come	above
	dove	welcome	handsome	shove
1.	zero			
2.	enter			
3.	wanted			
4.	push			
5.	cute			
6.	bird			
7.	up			
8.	like			

Read the words in the box aloud. Write the best word from the box to complete each sentence.

	younger	none	welcome	
	gloves	enormous	touched	
1.	Is your sister older or		than you?	
2.	When it is cold, I cover n	ny hands with		
3.	The mat on the porch sai	d "		
4.	If you eat it all, there will	be	left for me.	
5.	An antonym of "tiny" is "	د 		
6.	The baby cried after she _		the hot stove.	
Write two new sentences using two of the words from the box.				

Read the words in the box aloud. Write the best word from the box to complete each sentence.

	nervous	dove	country
	love	shove	poisonous
1.	We looked up and saw a v	white	_ flying by.
2.	I like hamburgers, but I r	eally	_ ice cream!
3.	Mexico is a	·	
4.	It's not nice to hit or		
5.	When I have to take a test, I get		
6.	Some spiders and snakes a	are	
Writ	e two new sentences using tw	o of the words from the box.	

The words shown below contain the /u/ sound, written with various spellings. Read the words. Use each word in an oral sentence.

but	some	other	just	such
come	mother	under	done	money
brother	southern	touch	run	young
trouble	month	son	none	bus

This chart shows four spellings for the /u/ sound. Use the chart to fill in the worksheet on the following pages.

	ʻu'	°O'	'ou'	ʻo_e'
Ь	buddy buzz	brother	boisterous	become
с	cup	cover	cousin country	
d	duck	dozen	Doug	done dove
e			enormous	
f	fun	front	famous	
g			generous	glove
h	hug	honey	hideous	handsome
j	junk just		jealous	
1	luck lunch			love
m	must mug mud	money monkey mother		
n	nun	nothing	nervous	none
р	puppy			
r	run			
S	such sudden sun	son	southern	shove some something
t	truck trust	ton	touch	
u	unless until			
v				
\mathbf{W}		won		
у	yuck		young	

Use the chart on the previous page to fill in the blanks.

- 1. Count the words on the chart that have the sound /u/ spelled 'u' and write the number here.
- 2. Count the words on the chart that have the sound /u/ spelled 'o' and write the number here. _____
- 3. Count the words on the chart that have the sound /u/ spelled 'ou' and write the number here.
- 4. Count the words on the chart that have the sound /u/ spelled 'o_e' and write the number here.
- 5. Which spelling for /u/ has the most words?
- 6. Which word on the chart names something bees make?
- 7. Which word on the chart means twelve of something?
- 8. Which word on the chart is a synonym for *good-looking*?

- 9. Which word on the chart is a synonym for *cup*?
- 10. Which word on the chart is an antonym for *hate*?
- 11. Which word on the chart is an antonym for *old*?
- 12. Which word on the chart is a synonym for mom?
- 13. Which word on the chart is a proper noun?
- 14. Which word on the chart is a synonym for *finished*?
- 15. Write a sentence using at least two words from the chart here:

Sort the words by sound. Write the words found in the sentences that have 'o' sounded /o/ under *hop*. Write the words that have 'o' sounded /oe/ under *open*. Write the words that have 'o' sounded /u/ under *son*.

		\rightarrow	/o/	hop	drop	spot
	$\mathbf{\hat{O}}$	\rightarrow	/oe/	open	hotel	no
	•	\rightarrow	/u/	son	front	coming
			/o	/ as in <i>hop</i>	/oe/ as in <i>open</i>	/u/ as in <i>son</i>
1.	I need to fir father and r	-				mother
2.	I have one sister and two br <u>o</u> thers.					
3.	B. Is the watch silver or <u>go</u> ld?					
4.	The baby h b <u>o</u> ttle.	as a				
5.	Is my ankle sprained or br <u>o</u> ken?					
6.	When I br <u>o</u> ke my 6. leg, I went to the h <u>o</u> spital.					
7.	This is a dif math pr <u>o</u> ble					

Name:

Write the words found in the sentences that have the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /o/ under *hop*, the words that have the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /oe/ under *open*, and the words that have the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /u/ under *son*.

	<	\rightarrow	/o/	hop	drop	model
	$\mathbf{\hat{O}}$	\rightarrow	/oe/	open	hotel	no
	•	\rightarrow	/u/	son	front	coming
				/o/ as in <i>hop</i>	/oe/ as in <i>open</i>	/u/ as in <i>son</i>
1.	1. There are 31 days in the month of March.					month
2.	The kids are eating p <u>o</u> psicles.					
3.	When he swims, he wears goggles.					
4.	Rats, mice, and hamsters are r <u>o</u> dents.					
5.	. I like reading p <u>o</u> etry.					
6.	5. She is reading a n <u>o</u> vel.					
7.	The horses us.	s gall <u>o</u> po	ed past			

Tricky Spelling 'o'

Teacher: Write the target words on the board or chart. Beside the target word write the two possible divisions of the word. Read the sample sentence aloud to the students. Try both divisions of the word in the sentence. Ask students to tell you which is correct.

'o' > /o/ (*hop*) vs. 'o' > /oe/ (*open*) vs. 'o' > /u/ (*son*)

TargetPossible2nd possiblePo		2nd possible	Possible sentence for meaning		
Word	division	division	(Remember the sentence is done orally.)		
open	o pen	op en	Is the store or closed?		
hotel	ho tel	hot el	We will stay at the for two nights when we are on vacation.		
coming	co ming	com ing	Are you to my party?		
modest	mod est	mo dest	Someone who does not brag is said to be 		
dropping	dro pping	drop ping	We will be you off at your play date on the way to the mall.		
hopping	ho pping	hop ping	The bunny rabbit is down the bunny trail.		
hoping	ho ping	hop ing	I am to get my homework done on time this week.		
potting	pot ting	po tting	Mom used soil for the flowers.		
police	po lice	pol ice	Please call the to help us stop the thief.		
motion	mo tion	mot ion	Sometimes I get sickness from riding in the car.		

Name:

Write the words with the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /o/ under *stop*, the words with the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /oe/ under *hotel*, and the words with the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /u/ under *from*.

front	pollen	open	hoping
cover	model	kingdor	m motel
command	topic	noble	tropical
/o/		/oe/	/u/
as in <i>stop</i>		as in <i>hotel</i>	as in <i>from</i>
1			front
			110111

If a square has a word with the letter 'o' sounded /o/, make it red. If a square has a word with the letter 'o' sounded /oe/, make it yellow. If a square has a word with the letter 'o' sounded /u/, make it green.

motel	only	person	cottage	total
money	cannot	problem	over	coming
also	going	process	almost	modern
reason	period	product	program	provide
bodies	solid	brother	focus	radio

Write the words with the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /o/ under *stop*, the words with the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /oe/ under *hotel*, and the words with the tricky spelling 'o' sounded /u/ under *from*. Sort only the words in which the 'o' is underlined.

Last month, my older brother won second place in a hot dog eating contest. To win, he had to eat the most hot dogs. Well, my brother ate lots and lots of hot dogs—most of the people competing found it impossible to eat as many. At the closing ceremony, my brother was given a ton of money (one thousand bucks) and a trophy of a golden hot dog. My brother slipped the money in his pocket and smiled modestly as people took his snapshot. It was a fine moment for my brother.

/o/ as in <i>stop</i>	/oe/ as in <i>hotel</i>		/u/ as in <i>from</i> month
		- · ·	
		- · ·	
		- · ·	
		- · ·	

Sort the words by sound. Write the words found in the sentences that have 'o_e' sounded /oe/ under *home*. Write the words that have 'o_e' sounded /u/ under *come*.

٢	$0 e^{, \rightarrow}$	/oe/	home	those	wrote
	<u>0_</u> e →	/u/	come	none	love
			/oe/ as in	home	/u/ as in <i>come</i>
1.	We can leave when we d <u>o</u> ne.	are			done
2.	Adam is wearing gl <u>o</u> ves	5.			
3.	Alan is digging a h <u>o</u> le.				
4.	Do you want all of that bac <u>o</u> n or just s <u>o</u> me of i				
5.	Her youngest s <u>o</u> n went skiing down the sl <u>o</u> pe.	:			
6.	Take small bites s <u>o</u> that you don't ch <u>o</u> ke.				
7.	Simon tied a knot in th r <u>o</u> pe.	ie			

Name:

Write the words found in the sentences that have the tricky spelling 'o_e' sounded /oe/ under *home* and the words that have the tricky spelling 'o_e' sounded /u/ under *come*.

٢	o_e ^{, →}	/oe/	home	those	trombone
	0 <u></u> e →	/u/	come	none	love
			/oe/ as i	n <i>home</i>	/u/ as in <i>come</i>
1.	Even if you are mad, y should not sh <u>o</u> v <u>e</u> .	ou			shove
2.	I like ice cream c <u>o</u> n <u>e</u> s.				
3.	That is not the letter th wr <u>ote</u> .	hat I			
4.	The mat on the porch "Welc <u>o</u> m <u>e</u> !"	said			
5.	Do you want a slice or want the wh <u>ole</u> thing?	do you			
6.	A rock is a lot like a st <u>e</u>	<u>one</u> .			
7.	I l <u>o</u> v <u>e</u> my baby sister.				

Tricky Spelling 'o_e'

Teacher: Write the target words on the board or chart. Beside the target word write the two possible divisions of the word. Read the sample sentence aloud to the students. Try both divisions of the word in the sentence. Ask students to tell you which is correct.

'o_e' > /oe/	(<i>home</i>) vs.	'o_e' >	/u/ (<i>come</i>)
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Target Word	Possible pronunciation	2nd possible pronunciation	Possible sentence for meaning (Remember the sentence is done orally.)
above	ab/oe/ve	ab /u/ ve	Look the desk not below it.
alone	al/oe/ne	al/u/ne	I am all at home until Mom gets here.
done	d/oe/ne	d/u/ne	What should I do when I am with my work?
dove	d/oe/ve	d/u/ve	A is usually white.
robe	r/oe/be	r/u/be	Could you please get my bath?
mole	m/oe/le	m/u/le	A is a small animal that lives almost completely underground.
cone	c/oe/ne	c/u/ne	Would you like an ice cream?
none	n/oe/ne	n/u/ne	of us wants to miss recess.
shove	sh/oe/ve	sh/u/ve	Please do not in line.
glove	gl/oe/ve	gl/u/ve	I have lost my

First read the words in the box. Write the words with the tricky spelling 'o_e' sounded /oe/ under *hope* and the words with the tricky spelling 'o_e' sounded /u/ under *done*.

role	welcome	notebook	shove
glove	vote	none	choke
lovely	rope	bone	stole
/0	pe/	/u	./
	n <i>hope</i>	as in	
	-		
role			
<u> </u>			

Write the words found in the sentences that have the tricky spelling 'ou' sounded /ou/ under *shout* and the words that have the tricky spelling 'ou' sounded /u/ under *touch*.

۲ ۲	ou' →	/ou/ /u/	shout touch	out country	mountain jealous
		/ 4/	touch	country	jealous
			/ou/ as in <i>shot</i>	ut /u/	as in <i>touch</i>
1.	Is he old or y <u>ou</u> ng	;?		you	ing
2.	The sky has lots o	f cl <u>ou</u> ds.			
3.	The lake is enorm	<u>ou</u> s.			
4.	Did you hear that	s <u>ou</u> nd?			
5.	My c <u>ou</u> sin's name D <u>oug</u> .	is			
6.	Tests make me ner	rv <u>ou</u> s.			
7.	Check the lost and box.	d f <u>ou</u> nd			

Write the words found in the sentences that have the tricky spelling 'ou' sounded /ou/ under *shout* and the words that have the tricky spelling 'ou' sounded /u/ under *touch*.

6	ou'	\rightarrow \rightarrow	/ou/ /u/		shout touch	ou	t 1ntry	proud jealous
					/ou/ as in s		/u/ as in	
1.	When he got an A and I got a B, I felt jeal <u>ou</u> s.						jealous	
2.	Stop being silly. It's time to be seri <u>ou</u> s.							
3.	. The cookie is flat and r <u>ou</u> nd.							
4.	. They are sitting on the c <u>ou</u> ch.							
5.	David is my uncle and Rachel is my c <u>ou</u> sin.							
6.	That radio	is too]	l <u>ou</u> d!					
7.	When she i	is upset	t, she p <u>o</u> i	<u>1</u> ts.				

Tricky Spelling 'ou'

Teacher: Write the target words on the board or chart. Beside the target word write the two possible divisions of the word. Read the sample sentence aloud to the students. Try both divisions of the word in the sentence. Ask students to tell you which is correct.

'ou' > /ou/ (shout) vs. 'ou' > /u/ (touch)

Target Word	Possible pronunciation	2nd possible pronunciation	Possible sentence for meaning (Remember the sentence is done orally.)
country	c/ou/ntry	c/u/ntry	Do you live in the or in the city?
double	d/ou/ble	d/u/ble	I would like a scoop of ice cream.
amount	am/ou/nt	am/u/nt	What of soup should I make?
bounce	b/ou/nce	b/u/nce	The tennis ball will high!
famous	fam/ou/s	fam/u/s	Is he a actor?
clouds	cl/ou/ds	cl/u/ds	I love to watch the fluffy white as they scoot across the sky.
nervous	nerv/ou/s	nerv/u/s	He is very to speak in front of a crowd.
flour	fl/ou/r	fl/u/r	We need some more for the cookies.
found	f/ou/nd	f/u/nd	Yes! I the lost keys.
cousin	c/ou/sin	c/u/sin	My Jane is visiting us.

Name:

Write the words with the tricky spelling 'ou' sounded /ou/ under *mouth* and the words with the tricky spelling 'ou' sounded /u/ under *touch*.

outing	serious	dangerous	about
amount	southern	cousin	shouting
youngster	thousand	background	counter
1	I	11	
/ou. as in <i>m</i> e		/u/ as in <i>to</i>	uch
outing			

Section VI-A

Spelling Alternatives 'o', 'ou', and 'o_e' > /u/ Practice Sentences and Stories for Oral Reading My younger cousin, Doug, lives in the country. Cousin Doug is a person who is curious. Sometimes he gets into dangerous spots. Sometimes humorous things happen to Cousin Doug. A couple of times, his mom has been furious with him.



Come here, Dove!

Will you sit on my glove?

Come here, Dove!

You are welcome here, Dove.

Come here, Dove!

What a handsome dove you are.

Come here, Dove!

Will you fly about the trees?

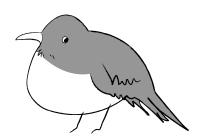
Come here, Dove!

Can you come down, please?

Come here, Dove!

Do not shove the leaves in the trees.

Come here, Dove!



Section VI-B

Spelling Alternatives 'a', 'e', 'al', 'il', 'el', 'le', and 'tion' > /ə/ Lesson

Spelling Spoilers Story

Read "The Spelling Spoilers" on the next pages aloud to the students. The story describes a group of bad guys called "The Spelling Spoilers" who are trying to ruin the students' spelling by convincing them to spell schwa with the letter 'u'.

Be sure to read the story to yourself before reading it to the class since there are places where you will need to fill in your name, the name of your school, and the name of your community.

You will also need to write on a chalkboard (or white board) as you present the readaloud.

Use your best "TV villain voice" to make the Head Spelling Spoiler sound as villainous as possible. His laughter is meant to sound like the schwa sound: /u/ ... /u/! If you find that hard to say, you can have him laugh like this: huh ... huh ... huh!

As you present the read-aloud, be sure to point out to students the pictures printed after the story of the Spelling Spoilers that follows.



The Spelling Spoilers

Deep in his underground lair, the Head Spelling Spoiler spoke to the other Spelling Spoilers.

"Fellow Spoilers, our plot to ruin spelling in the United States is going well!"

He paused to let out a long cackle of strange-sounding laughter: "/u/. . .

/u/ . . . /u/!"

[Point to the first picture on the page that follows the story.]

The Head Spelling Spoiler went on: "There are lots of children out there who can't spell well. And there are lots of adults who can't spell well either. And, best of all, there are adults who are telling the children that English spelling makes no sense. All of these things show that our master plan to ruin spelling in this country is working!"

Then he cackled again: (u/ ... /u/ ... /u/!)

All of the other Spoilers began whispering happily among themselves.

Then the Head Spoiler lowered his voice and began speaking again.

"But I am afraid the news is not all good."



[Point to the second picture on the first line of the page that follows the story.]

The other Spoilers fell silent.

"I have received an alarming report from [insert name of your town]. It seems that the students at [insert name of your school] are learning what they need to know to become very good spellers."

The Spoilers fidgeted in their seats nervously.

"I am especially concerned about Mr./Ms. [insert your name]'s class. I am told that the students in that class know five ways to spell the /oe/ sound."

The Spoilers moaned.

"I am told that the children in Mr./Ms. [insert your name]'s class know four ways to spell the /ae/ sound."

The Spoilers groaned.

"And, worst of all, I am told that the students in Mr./Ms. [insert your name]'s class know seven ways to spell the /ee/ sound."

The Spoilers gasped.

"No! It can't be true!" cried one of the Spoilers.

The Head Spelling Spoiler spoke again: "Fellow Spoilers, I don't have to tell you that the situation is serious. If those children can spell sounds like /ae/, /oe/, and /ee/, they are on the verge of becoming good spellers. There's only one thing that can stop them from becoming really good spellers. And that is our old friend, schwa."



[Point to schwa picture, the third picture on the page that follows the story.]

Ah, yes, schwa! The spoilers all smiled and nodded. They knew that schwa had been messing up children's spelling for many years. Schwa caused more spelling problems than almost anything else. It was a Spelling Spoiler's best friend.

"You Spoilers all know that schwa is a sound that sounds a lot like /u/. But it is not necessarily spelled with the letter 'u'. And that's just what we need to ruin the children's spelling! /u/ . . . /u/ . . . /u/!"

"Now, the next few weeks are going to be very important. I want all of you to make yourselves invisible. Then I want you to go out to Mr./Ms. [insert your name]'s classroom. Whenever the students are writing, and they come to a word that has the schwa sound in it, I want you to be there, whispering in their ears, 'Spell it with a 'u'! Spell it with a 'u'!"

All the Spoilers started to chant: "Spell it with a 'u'! Spell it with a 'u'!"

"That's the spirit!" said the Head Spoiler. "If we can get them to spell the schwa sound with a 'u', they will make hundreds of mistakes."

He cackled: $(u/ \dots u/ \dots u/ u)$

[Point to the fourth picture on the page that follows the story.]

"If we can get them to spell the schwa sound with a 'u', they will write the word *about* like this."

Ø [Write *ubout* on the board.]

"Whereas we know it is really spelled like this."

K [Cross out *ubout* and write *about*.]

"If we can get them to spell the schwa sound with a 'u', they will write *reporter* like this."

K [Write *ruporter* on the board.]

"Or maybe like this."

Ø [Write *riporter* on the board.]

"Whereas we know it is really spelled like this."

K [Cross out *ruporter* and *riporter*; write *reporter* on the board.]

"And, best of all, they will write America like this."

K [Write *Umericu* on the board.]

"Whereas we know it is really spelled like this."

K [Cross out Umericu and write America on the board.]

"Ah, how I love to see the word America spelled with two u's!"

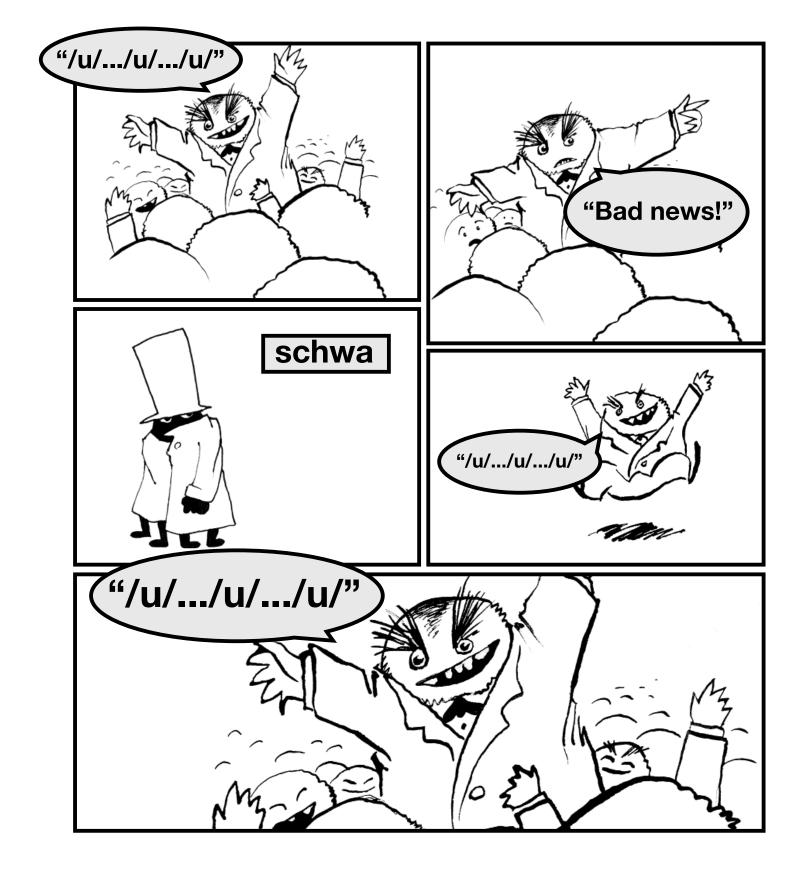
He cackled his loudest cackle yet: "/u/ . . . /u/ . . . /u/!"

"So, my little Spoilers, you know what to do! Get out there and whisper in their ears! Convince them to spell every schwa sound with a 'u'! Turn their spelling into rubbish! Spoil their spelling! /u/ ... /u/!"

[Point to the last picture on the page that follows the story.]



The Spelling Spoilers



Today's Spelling

20 minutes

Review of Schwa (/ə/) and the /u/ Sound

Ask students to take out the worksheet that follows. Tell students it is time to try to beat the Spelling Spoilers by spelling the schwa and the /u/ sounds they have learned in this unit correctly.

Write *about* on the board and read it aloud. Point out that even though the first sound in *about* is /ə/, the first letter in the printed word is 'a'.

Have students copy about into the far left column on the worksheet labeled "Copy." They should say the sound of each letter as they copy the word.

Erase the word from the board.

Have students fold the worksheet along the dotted line so that *about* is facing the desk.

Have students write *about* from memory in the middle column on the worksheet labeled "Spell." They should say the sound of each letter as they write the word.

Tell students to unfold the worksheet and compare the word they just wrote from memory with the word they copied earlier.

If any of the students spelled the word incorrectly, have them erase the incorrect spelling and print the correct spelling.

Tell students to make a mark on the worksheet indicating whether they beat the Spelling Spoilers or not.

Repeat these steps with the remaining words in the following box.

Note: The letter or letters in each word that stand for the schwa or the /u/ sound are bolded.

- 1. **a**bout
- 2. Chin**a**
- 3. **a**round
- 4. Afric**a**
- 5. app**e**tite

- 6. Tennessee
- 7. love
- 8. c**ou**sin
- 9. something
- 10. t**ou**ch

Beat the Spoilers

The Spelling Spoilers are trying to wreck your spelling. Foil them by spelling the words your teacher says the right way.

	Copy	Spell	Did you bea	Did you beat the spoilers?
.			O yes	O no
5.			O yes	O no
ю.			O yes	O no
4.			O yes	O no
<i>.</i> .			O yes	O no
6.			O yes	O no

	Copy	Spell	Did you b	Did you beat the spoilers?	
7.			O yes	O no	
8.			O yes	O no	
9.			O yes	O no	
10.			O yes	O no	

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Section VI-B

Spelling Alternatives 'a', 'e', 'al', 'il', 'el', 'le', and 'tion' > /ə/ Word Lists

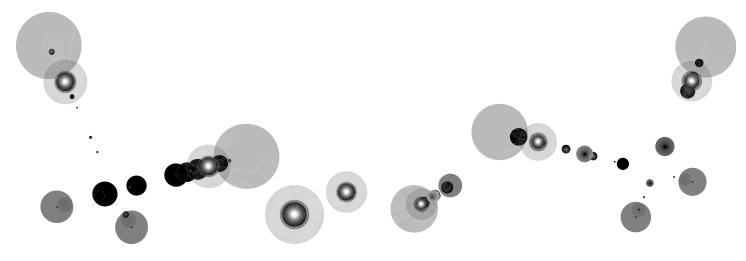
Spelling Alternative: 'a' >/ə/ (*about*)

across	afraid	balloon	banana	zebra
pajamas	roman	Cuba	separate	woman
voyage	extra	purchase	giant	human
village	sofa	organ	pyramid	vacant
idea	among	lava	salad	mama
soda	nowadays	umbrella	pyramid	palace
theater	vacant	vitamin		



Spelling Alternative: 'e'> /ə/ (*debate*)

ashen	vinegar	anthem	appetite
ticket	taken	Kentucky	benefit
category	element	comedy	ceremony
tragedy	severe	correspond	courtesy
debate	bucket	strategy	supplement
arithmetic	cafeteria	hello	eleven



Spelling Alternative: 'al' > /ə/ + /l/ (*animal*)

loyal	local	legal	musical	burial
capital	cardinal	carnival	casual	central
tidal	total	mortal	musical	rural
mammal	manual	material	medal	medical
mental	royal	rival	rental	plural
petal	pedal	oval	oral	normal
naval	natural	national	formal	final
festival	fatal	equal	global	general
hospital	illegal	dental	dial	dismal
disposal	vital	vocal	verbal	magical
journal	metal	animal	admiral	cereal
coastal	crystal	signal	spiral	approval

Spelling Alternative: 'il' > /ə/ + /l/ (pencil)

angrily	April	civil	devil	easily
evil	family	fossil	happily	hastily
nostril	pencil	utensils	lentil	jubilee
greedily	tonsils	pupil	readily	similar
		steadily		



Spelling Alternative: 'el' > /ə/ + /l/ (*travel*)

kennel	funnel	flannel	towel	travel
tunnel	vowel	bushel	cancel	duel
easel	morsel	shovel	jewel	label
model	nickel	novel	rebel	angel
antelope	barrel	squirrel	chapel	select
level	camel	channel	gravel	cruel
enamel	envelope		excellent	hazel

Spelling Alternative: 'le' > /ə/ + /l/ (*apple*)

able	ample	angle	ankle	axle	battle
beetle	bicycle	bottle	bubble	cable	whistle
wrinkle	candle	castle	cattle	circle	couple
cradle	double	eagle	example	freckle	gentle
giggle	handle	horrible	huddle	humble	idle
jungle	kettle	little	maple	marble	middle
miracle	muffle	muzzle	needle	paddle	pebble
people	pickle	puddle	purple	puzzle	rattle
riddle	saddle	simple	single	sparkle	stable
stumble	table	tackle	tangle	temple	title
uncle	visible	vegetable			

Spelling Alternative: 'tion' > /sh/+/ə/+ /n/ (*action*)

action	addition	adoption	affection
attention	caution	condition	connection
creation	decoration	definition	direction
education	election	emotion	eruption
exception	fiction	fraction	injection
infection	invention	junction	location
mention	motion	nation	notion
operation	population	position	reaction
section	station	tradition	vacation

Section VI-B

Spelling Alternatives 'a', 'e', 'al', 'il', 'el', 'le', and 'tion' > /ə/ Worksheets

Read aloud the words in the box. Then write the best word from the box to complete each sentence.

	afraid	adults	telescope
	appetite	about	orange
1.	My parents are both _		
2.	I eat a lot. I have a big	;	
3.	Doug looks at the star	rs with his	·
4.	Should we paint the v	valls yellow or	
5.	Is your book	a king and	queen?
6.	I am not	of the dark.	
Writ	te two new sentences usin	g two of the words from the l	box.

Fill in the Blanks

	about	China	around	Africa	appetite
Т	ennessee	love	cousin	something	touch
1.			_ is a country i	n the Far East.	
2.			_ is a state in o	ur country.	
3.	Your aunt's	child is your _		·	
4.	Do not		a hot	stove!	
5.	I worked u fire.	p an		by chopping w	rood for the
6.			_ is a continent	t.	
7.	Can you te	ll me		your book?	
8.	Let's look _		the	room for the lost	book.
9.	Ι		to eat snow	cream in winter.	
10.	I have		to say	about that.	

Fill in the Blanks

	lemon	season	together	kingdom
	brother	honey	Canyon	mammoth
1.	Which		follows spring?	
2.	Sir Gus was a knigh	t of the		_·
3.	The woolly		was a huge ani	imal.
4.	The		is a tart fruit.	
5.	Would you like to p	olay		
6.	My		_ bugs me!	
7.	The Grand		is a park.	
8.	I like		in my tea.	

Name: _____

Find a word from the box that is an antonym for each word.

	nowadays	vacant	extra	palace
	giant	purchase	vitamin	damage
1.	perfect			
2.	candy			
3.	sell			
4.	small			
5.	hut			
6.	barely			
7.	full			
8.	past			

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Name: _____
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Find a word from the box that is an antonym for each word.

	neglect	vinegar	cafeteria	comedy
	secure	ashen	hello	decay
1.	soda			
2.	dining room			
3.	fresh			
4.	good-bye			
5.	flushed			
6.	loose			
7.	serious			
8.	feed			

Use the words from the box to find the secret message.

	oval	skeletal		plural		petal
	mammal	oral		cereal		rural
1.	More than one					
2.	Pretty part of flow	er	2	1		
3.	Warm-blooded and	imal				
,			4	·		
4.	Reading out loud i	s called	3			
5.	You may eat it in t	he morning				
			5			
6.	In the country	7				
7.	Having to do with	your bones				
8.	$\frac{9}{8}$ Not quite round _					
[L	6				
	W.	2	9	3	4	5
		W6	7	!		

Name:

Use a word from the box to fill in each line.

nostril	angrily	evil	easily
April	jubilee	lentil	pupil
steadily	similar	pencil	utensils

9.

2.

10.

12.

11.

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- 1. month after March
- 2. a kind of soup
- 3. you are one and you have one in each eye

6.

- 4. looks alike
- 5. Not a pen
- 6. Knife, fork and spoon (
- 7. At the same rate
- 8. A happy party
- 9. It is part of your nose.
- 10. mad
- 11. not good
- 12. no problem

Name:

Sort the words by spelling. Write the words that have the 'ul' ending under *useful*. Write the words that have the 'al' ending under *metal*. Write the words that have the 'il' ending under *April*.

harmful	fossil	hospital	evil
total	pencil	several	awful
peaceful	hopeful	normal	civil
ʻul'		ʻal'	ʻil'
		n <i>metal</i>	as in <i>April</i>
as in <i>useful</i>	asi	n metat	as in April
harmful			
marmman			

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

Help Hazel on her way. Write a word from the box on each space.

vowel	nickel	enamel	level
channels	telescope	antelope	envelope
You put a letter	r in this		
An animal with	n antlers		
You can see the	e stars with this		
You have a lot o	of these on TV	1	/
even		2	
The white part	of your teeth	3	
5 cents		4	
a, e, i, o, u are a	all this	5)
		6	_/
		7	
		8	

Write a word for each picture from the box.

single	whistle	cattle	bicycle			
candle	marbles	needle	puzzle			
	2	3	4			
5	6	7	8 Maria			
1. It has two wheels:						
2. Your P.E. teacher many have one:						

- .
- 3. Round glass spheres: _____
- 4. Jigsaw: _____
- 5. A ______ and thread
- 6. This is on your birthday cake: _____
- 7. Just one: _____
- 8. Lots of cows: _____

Fill in the Blanks

	bubble	apples	beagles	noodles	eagle
	maple	single	candle	poodles	stable
1.	A horse will	l stay in the		on a rainy	day.
2.	Mom likes	to light a		on the table a	at supper.
3.	A		leaf is on the C	Canadian flag.	
4.		an	.d	are ki	nds of dogs.
5.	I like to blo	w a big		with my gum.	
6.	Would you tree?	like to help me	e pick the		_ from the
7.	An		_ is a symbol o	f our country.	
8.	I like to eat	spaghetti		·	
9.	I can't eat ju	ist one		_ chip, I can eat 1	the entire bag.

Dear Family Member,

The words shown below all end with 'le'. Please help your child practice reading these words. Ask your child to use each word in an oral sentence after he or she reads it.

single	handle	gamble	temple
stable	cradle	idle	twinkle
able	title	needle	apple
gurgle	jingle	cattle	purple
bubble	eagle	steeple	beagle

Fill in the Blanks

	mother	camel	decide	cover	animals	
	jungle	cousin	fossils	angels	chief	
	petals	bubble	afraid	wonderful	little	
1.	Could you h	elp me	Ł	oetween a cookie	or a cupcake?	
2.	I call my		, "Mom."			
3.	It was a party and we all had fun!					
4.	An animal with two humps is called a					
5.	I have a night light because I am of the dark.					
6.	Monkeys live in the					
7.	The rose		were scatter	red in front of the	e bride.	
8.	I like to blow	a big	W	vith my gum.		
9.	Му	a	nd aunt will coi	me to spend the 1	night.	

mother	camel	decide	cover	animals
jungle	cousin	fossils	angels	chief
petals	bubble	afraid	wonderful	little

10. The baby bird is too ______ to fly.

11. A zoo has a lot of _____.

12. Will you ______ the dish before you place it in the fridge?

13. Some of the ______ were from long, long ago.

14. The leader of a Native American tribe is often called a

15. Some people believe that ______ have wings.

Fill in the Blanks

	hospital	decide	normal	America
	pedal	petals	animal	cheerful
	April	signal	emergency	principal
	appear	dangerous	equals	helpful
1.	In an		, call 911.	
2.	The rose		smell gr	eat!
3.	She is always s	miling and		
4.	It would be		to me	e if you would
	clean your roc	om.		
5.	My favorite		is a p	oanda.
6.	She is a nurse	in a		_•

Name: _____

hospital	decide	normal	America
pedal	petals	animal	cheerful
April	signal	emergency	principal
appear	dangerous	equals	helpful

- 7. The month after March is ______.
- 8. I can't ______ if I would like red or pink

ribbons.

9. Two plus two _____ four.

10. We live in the United States of ______.

11. It is very ______ to skate on thin ice.

12. Turn left at the next traffic ______.

Name: _____

Fill in the Blanks

station	options	attention
infection	dictionary	vacation

- 1. Select one of the following <u>options</u>.
- 2. If you don't know what a word means, you can look it up in the

3. This summer, we will take a _____.

4. If you don't clean that cut, you might get an _____.

5. We need to stop at a gas _____.

6. If you want to understand, you should pay _____

Fill in the Blanks

	reflection	lotion	potion
	invention	stationery	emotions
•	The witch is making	a sleeping	
•	If you look in the po	nd, you will see your	staring
	back at you.		
•	Carol wrote the lette	r on	
•	To keep your skin fro	om drying out, use	
•	Jealousy and anger ar	·e	

6. The wheel is a great ______.

Section VI-B

Tricky Spellings 'a' and 'e' Worksheets

Sort the underlined words with tricky spellings.

	\rightarrow	/a/	h a t	1	b a nd	l a st
	'a' →	/ae/	р а р	er	ater	l a dy
	\rightarrow	/ə/	a bo	ut a	along	b a lloon
		/a/ as <i>hai</i>		/ae/ as in <i>paper</i>	/ə/ as in <i>about</i>	/aw/ as in <i>hall</i>
1.	Summer comes <u>a</u> fter f <u>a</u> ll.					
2.	C <u>a</u> n you set the t <u>a</u> ble?					
3.	She told him to go <u>a</u> way.					
4.	Let's get some books from the sm <u>a</u> ll bookc <u>a</u> se.					
5.	Wh <u>a</u> t do you w <u>a</u> nt?					
6.	T <u>a</u> ke out the tr <u>a</u> sh.					
7.	Let's h <u>a</u> ve eggs for lunch.					
8.	This envelope needs a st <u>a</u> mp.					

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Sort the underlined words with tricky spellings.

		\rightarrow	/a/	h a t	b a nd	l a st
	\hat{a}	\rightarrow	/ae/	p a per	l a ter	l a dy
	ú	\rightarrow	/ə/	a bout	a long	b a lloon
				/a/ as in <i>hat</i>	/ae/ as in <i>paper</i>	/ə/ as in <i>about</i>
1.	She has a ye	ellow c <u>a</u> p				
2.	She is weari silver neckl <u>a</u>	•				
3.	3. To mail this letter, I need one st <u>a</u> mp.					
4.	When my r she wears h					
5.	I need a m <u>a</u> the park.	p to find.				

Name: _

Tricky Spelling: 'a'

Teacher: Write the target words on the board or chart. Beside the target word write the two possible divisions of the word. Read the sample sentence aloud to the students. Try both divisions of the word in the sentence. Ask students to tell you which is correct.

'a' > /a/ (<i>hat</i>) vs. '	'a' > /ae/	(<i>paper</i>) vs.	'a' >	ə (about)
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Target Word	Possible division	2nd possible division	Possible sentence for meaning (Remember the sentence is done orally.)	
cabin	ca bin	cab in	We will stay at the in the woods.	
paper	pa per	pap er	I need a sheet of to write my words.	
table	tab le	ta ble	We eat supper at the	
basket	bas ket	ba sket	Please place the eggs in the Easter	
napkin	nap kin	na pkin	Use the to wipe your face.	
crater	cra ter	crat er	The volcano is huge.	
faster	fas ter	fa ster	The rabbit is than the tortoise.	
rapid	rap id	ra pid	Another word for fast is	
magic	mag ic	ma gic	The hat is on Frosty's head.	
major	maj or	ma jor	In the army, a is an officer.	

Write the underlined words with the tricky spelling 'a' sounded /a/ under *bad*, the words with the tricky spelling 'a' sounded /ae/ under *acorn*, the words with the tricky spelling 'a' sounded /ə/ under *about*, and the words with the tricky spelling 'a' sounded /aw/ under *hall*. Sort only the words in which the 'a' is underlined.

I know a lady who happens to have ten babies. The lady spends all day feeding them, changing them, carrying them around, and washing them. When she's changing her babies, the lady has to watch that they don't fall off the changing table. When she's feeding her babies, the lady has to watch that they don't swallow something that they should not. It's a nonstop job. The crazy part is that the lady wants another ten babies! I cannot understand that!

/a/ as in <i>bad</i>	/ae/ as in <i>acorn</i>	/ə/ as in <i>about</i>	/aw/ as in <i>hall</i>

If a square has a word with the letter 'a' sounded /a/, make it red. If a square has a word with the letter 'a' sounded /ae/, make it yellow. If a square has a word with the letter 'a' sounded /ə/, make it green. If a square has a word with the letter 'a' sounded /aw/, make it orange.

after	about	began	family	around
matter	affect	halt	taken	cannot
radio	apple	perhaps	idea	avoid
rather	having	village	carry	cake
ability	chapter	call	China	strange

Write the words with the tricky spelling 'a' sounded /a/ under *bad*, the words with the tricky spelling 'a' sounded /ae/ under *acorn*, the words with the tricky spelling 'a' sounded /ə/ under *about*, and the words with the tricky spelling 'a' sounded /aw/ under *hall*.

giant	lasted	faking	chapter
fall	extra	alone	able
actress	orange	apple	around
/a/	/ae/	/ə/	/aw/
as in <i>bad</i>	as in <i>acorn</i>	as in <i>about</i>	as in <i>hall</i>
		giant	
		giant	

The letter 'a' can stand for four sounds. Which sounds does it stand for in the underlined letters in these words? Mark all that apply.

	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	𝒴 /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
<u>A</u> laska	0	/a/ as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>
A	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	\bigcirc /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
<u>A</u> merica	0	lael as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>
	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	○ /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
paj <u>a</u> mas	0	/ae/ as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>
Canada	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	○ /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
Can <u>a</u> da	0	/ae/ as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>
Abusham	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	\bigcirc /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
Abr <u>a</u> ham	0	lael as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>
hanana	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	\bigcirc /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
ban <u>a</u> na	0	/ae/ as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>
Anabia	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	\bigcirc /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
Ar <u>a</u> bia	0	/ae/ as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>
Almanaa	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	\bigcirc /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
Alman <u>a</u> c	0	/ae/ as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>
Africa	0	/a/ as in <i>cat</i>	○ /ə/ as in <i>about</i>
Afric <u>a</u>	-	/ae/ as in <i>table</i>	\bigcirc /aw/ as in <i>wall</i>

Sort the underlined words with the tricky spelling.

	\rightarrow	/e/	p e t	l e ft	l e tter
e,	\rightarrow	/ee/	m e	r e wind	l e gal
C	\rightarrow	/ə/	d e bate	app e tite	strat e gy

		/e/ as in <i>pet</i>	/ee/ as in <i>me</i>	/ə/ as in <i>debate</i>
1.	He is singing the National Anth <u>e</u> m.			anthem
2.	This glass is <u>e</u> mpty.			
3.	Dad and I saw a play at the th <u>e</u> ater.			
4.	I need a carton of <u>egg</u> s.			
5.	Don't squash the bug b <u>e</u> tween the rocks!			
6.	The balloon is filled with h <u>e</u> lium.			
7.	The leaves are d <u>e</u> caying.			

Tricky Spelling 'e'

Teacher: Write the target words on the board or chart. Beside the target word write the two possible divisions of the word. Read the sample sentence aloud to the students. Try both divisions of the word in the sentence. Ask students to tell you which is correct.

'e' > /e/ (pet) vs. 'e' > /ee/ (me) vs. 'e' > /ə/ (debate)

Target Word	Possible division	2nd possible division	Possible sentence for meaning (Remember the sentence is done orally.)
rewind	rew ind	re wind	Please the program to the beginning.
debate	de bate	deb ate	When two sides don't agree, sometimes they
strategy	strat e gy	strate gy	The General's was to attack at night.
became	be came	bec ame	We third graders at the end of second grade.
demand	dem and	de mand	It is not polite to things from others.
decorations	dec or a tions	de cor a tions	The Easter were pastel colors.
helmet	hel met	helm et	My bike is purple.
cement	cem ent	ce ment	The sidewalk is made of
memory	me mory	mem ory	My is not what it used to be.
beckon	beck on	be ckon	He wants us to come over so he will with his hand.

The letter 'e' can stand for three sounds. It can stand for /e/ as in *bed*, /ee/ as in *me*, or $/\partial/$ as in *debate*. Each sentence below has a word with an underlined 'e'. Which of the three sounds do you hear in each word?

- 1. His best race is the 100-**meter** dash.
 - \bigcirc /e/ as in bed
 - /ee/ as in me
 - \bigcirc /ə/ as in debate
- 2. The **men** mixed up a batch of cement.
 - \bigcirc /e/ as in *bed*
 - \bigcirc /ee/ as in *me*
 - /ə/ as in *debate*
- 3. I have a bug bite on my **<u>elbow**.</u>
 - \bigcirc /e/ as in *bed*
 - \bigcirc /ee/ as in *me*
 - /ə/ as in *debate*
- 4. When I was fifteen I went on a trip to Egypt.
 - \bigcirc /e/ as in *bed*
 - \bigcirc /ee/ as in *me*
 - /ə/ as in *debate*

5. That night we stayed in a **hotel**.

- \bigcirc /e/ as in *bed*
- \bigcirc /ee/ as in *me*
- /ə/ as in *debate*

6. When I saw the sticky glop on my plate, I lost my **appetite**.

- \bigcirc /e/ as in bed
- /ee/ as in me
- \bigcirc /ə/ as in debate

7. Can you keep a **secret**?

- \bigcirc /e/ as in *bed*
- O /ee/ as in *me*
- /ə/ as in *debate*

8. Dad is sick. He is running a **fever**.

- \bigcirc /e/ as in *bed*
- \bigcirc /ee/ as in *me*
- /ə/ as in *debate*

9. Miss Douglas, I did not understand the **lesson**.

- \bigcirc /e/ as in *bed*
- \bigcirc /ee/ as in *me*
- /ə/ as in *debate*

If a square has a word with the letter 'e' sounded /e/, make it red. If a square has a word with the letter 'e' sounded /ee/, make it yellow. If a square has a word with the letter 'e' sounded /ə/, make it green.

children	send	began	system	wanted
himself	second	decay	me	report
open	equal	given	hello	started
problem	parent	moment	legal	deposit
except	decide	subject	she	hundred

First read the words. Then write the words with the tricky spelling 'e' sounded /e/ under *send*, the words with the tricky spelling 'e' sounded /ee/ under *behind*, and the words with the tricky spelling 'e' sounded /ə/ under *debate*.

pebble	abdomen	mention	she
algebra	relic	symmetry	metallic
equal	pencil	lesson	repeat
/e/ as in <i>send</i> pebble		eel behind	/ə/ as in <i>debate</i>

Section VI-B

Spelling Alternatives 'a', 'e', 'al', 'il', 'el', 'le', and 'tion' > /ə/ Practice Sentences and Stories for Oral Reading Mama said to change out of my pajamas. We are going across town to run an errand. We will get balloons for Dad's birthday. Then we will have salad for lunch. Mama said to bring an umbrella just in case.

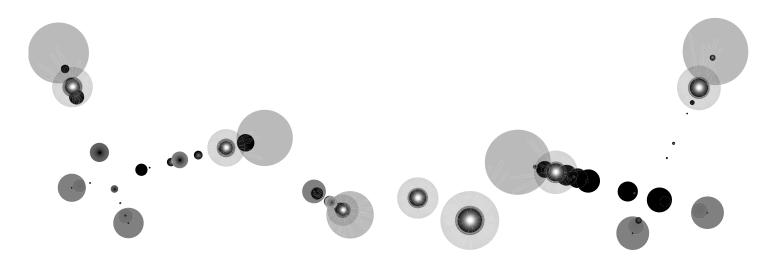


Hello Ellen,

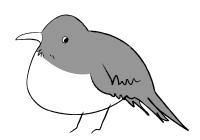
I am in Kentucky for a benefit comedy show. The show is raising money to help repair the cafeteria at my friend's school. A tree fell on the building during a severe storm. I said hello to the people doing the show before I sat down.



Donald, do you like animal-shaped cereal? I like buffalo shapes in my cereal. I like mammal shapes; such as tigers, lions, and big cats. Donald, do you like animal-shaped cereal?



April is a happy month. Young ducks happily splash in ponds. The dry soil greedily soaks up the April showers. As April rains steadily fall, baby birds readily stretch their long necks up toward the raindrops. The bird family happily welcomes the April rain.



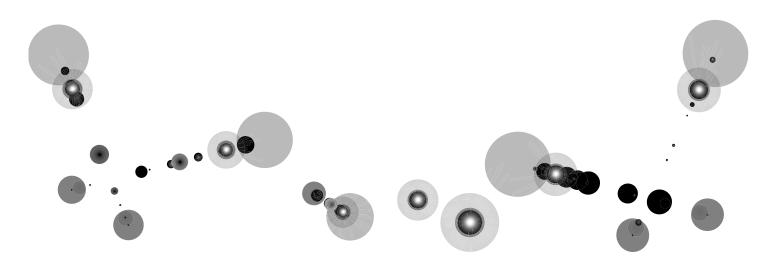
Hazel the squirrel likes to travel. She packs her flannel nightgown and her box of jewels in her duffel bag. She likes her nice warm camel hair coat. Hazel packs a novel to read on the trip and a nickel for the subway fare.



Uncle Charles plays with me when he comes to visit. We blow purple bubbles, play in puddles, and shoot marbles. Sometimes we find colored pebbles that sparkle and shine. Once we built a castle and had a sword battle in the middle of my bedroom.



It is almost time for summer vacation. Our tradition is to have a celebration for the start of summer. The decorations will be of our very own invention. We like to see people's reactions to our decorations. Last year, our theme was "The Best Invention of All Time." People still mention the decorations when they recall the celebration.



Section VI-C

Spelling Alternatives and Tricky Spellings Associated with /ə/ and /u/ Assessment

Assessment

Provide students with the sheet labeled Section VI Assessment that has 10 rows of words (20 total).

Tell students that for each row, you will say one word. Tell students to circle the word that they hear you say. Read each word provided below, calling out each number to indicate the row that students should point to and look at as you read the word.

1.	across	6.	apple	11.	traction	16.	hideous
2.	courtesy	7.	nation	12.	above	17.	petal
3.	mother	8.	funnel	13.	dangerous	18.	fossil
4.	decide	9.	couple	14.	wonderful	19.	cheerful
5.	shove	10.	cousin	15.	love	20.	animal

Below are the sound-spelling correspondences targeted for each word. If a student misses a word, have the student read the line(s) that contained the error. Then ask the student to point and say aloud the correct word for that line. The student's response will indicate whether the mistake was a careless error or if the student needs additional instruction in a specific letter-sound correspondence. Please pay attention to other errors as well, as they may indicate additional areas in need of remediation. Any student who scores less than 16 out of 20 correct needs further remediation.

1.	'a' > /ə/	6.	le' > /2/ + /l/	11. 'tion' > /sh/ + /ə/ + /n/	16.	'ous' > /u/
2.	'e' > /ə/	7.	'tion' > /sh/ + /ə/ + /n/	12. 'o_e' > /u/	17.	'al' > /ə/ + /l/
3.	'o' > /u/	8.	'el' > /ə/ + /l/	13. 'ous' > /u/	18.	ʻil' > /ə/ + /l/
4.	'e' > /ə/	9.	'le' > /ə/ + /l/	14. 'ful' > $/f/ + /_{2} + /_{1}/$	19.	'ful' > /f/ + /ə/ + /l/
5.	ʻo_e' > /u/	10.	'ou' > /u/	15. 'o_e' > /u/	20.	ʻal' > /ə/ + /l/

Section VI Assessment

Circle the word you hear your teacher say.

1.	across	amount	amiss	claws
2.	severe	strategy	courtesy	benefit
3.	mom	mother	brother	bother
4.	determine	deduct	define	decide
5.	shove	shut	shovel	shoot
6.	able	apple	ample	apply
7.	native	notion	nation	national
8.	funny	fundamental	fulfill	funnel
9.	copper	cuddle	couple	cable
10.	cousin	couple	cupful	cotton

Name: _____

Circle the word you hear your teacher say.

11.	traction	fraction	faction	addition
12.	above	about	avoid	amend
13.	fabulous	dangerous	dangers	dagger
14.	wonderland	wistful	wonderful	wondering
15.	glove	lovely	love	clove
16.	hide	hideout	hidden	hideous
17.	peel	pebble	puddle	petal
18.	missile	dismissal	fizzle	fossil
19.	cheerful	hopeful	helpful	careful
20.	animate	animal	annual	anything

Section VI-D

Fluency Assessment

Fluency Assessment

The second assessment for Section VI that you may choose to give students is a Fluency Assessment.

You will work individually with each student and make a running record of the student's reading of the story, "The Young Mouse." This is an opportunity to look for specific problems any students are having. In addition, you will take a simple, easily calculated measure for the student's fluency by seeing how long it takes the student to read the story. Allow each student approximately ten minutes to read the story. If the student cannot read the story in ten minutes, this is a clear indication that he or she is struggling and needs to work on fluency.

Directions: Show the student the story. Ask the student to read the story to you. Start a stopwatch or jot down a start time when the student reads the first word in the story. As the student reads, make a running record, using the following marking guidelines. Focus specifically on what a student's errors reveal about his or her knowledge of letter-sound correspondences, recording what the student says.

Note: The guidelines for making running records given represent a simplified version of the process. If you have mastered a different process of taking running records, feel free to use the system you know.

Words read correctly - no mark needed

Omissions – draw a long dash above the word omitted

Insertions - write a carat at the point where the insertion was made

Word read incorrectly – write an "X" above the word and write the word the student says

Self-corrected errors – replace the original error mark with an "SC"

Teacher supplied word – write a "t" above the word (counts as an error); provide only if the child hesitates for five or more seconds or says he/she does not know the word

Fill out the table to find students' fluency percentage. A score below the 50th percentile may be cause for concern; a score below the 25th percentile is definite cause for concern. Students struggling with fluency need more exposure to rereading stories, and may benefit from more previewing of vocabulary before reading as well.

The Young Mouse

Once upon a time there was a young mouse who had never left his	14
mother's side. One day the young mouse went outside for a walk	26
to explore. But it was not long until he came running back to his	40
mother.	41

"Mother! Mother!" said the young mouse. "What a scare I have had!
⁵³ I was walking along when I saw two strange animals. One of them
looked a lot like me. She had paws and a tail. She looked soft, and
⁸¹ kind, and graceful.

But the other one was a scary monster! You should have seen him!97He had just two legs and scratched at the ground with his claws. He111kept beating his arms. He was ugly, too. He had no fur, just feathers,125and he had big red flaps hanging from his head and neck. But what138scared me the most was the awful sound he made. It sounded like151cock-a-doodle-doo!"156

The young mouse went on. "I wanted to say hello to the nice animal 170 that looked like me. She was so lovely, and she looked so good and 184 gentle. She had thick, glossy hair and a modest face. As she looked at 198 me, she waved her fine, long tail and smiled. I think she was about 213 to speak to me when the other animal let out his awful scream. I was 227 so scared that I ran for my life. I didn't even have time to smile back 243 258 at the nice animal. It is such a shame. I would have liked to meet that lovely animal." 261

"My son," said the mother, "the animal that scared you was a rooster.
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He may look and sound scary, but he would never harm you. The
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other animal that you saw was a cat. She may look good and gentle,
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but she is no pal of ours. She would gladly eat you and your mice
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pals. In fact, she would have eaten you if you had not run away. So
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be thankful, my son, that you escaped with your life. Stay close to
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me and remember that things are not always what they seem to be."

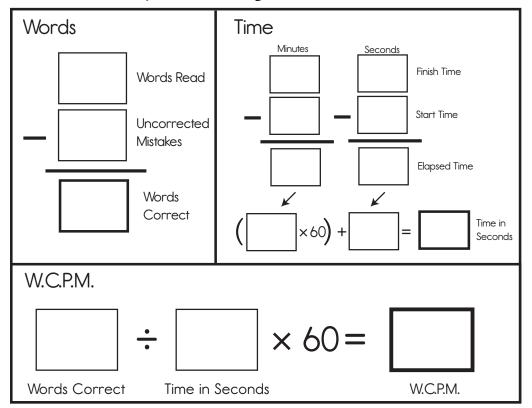
W.C.P.M. Calculation Worksheet

Student:_____

Date:

Story: The Young Mouse

Total words in story (not including title): 357



Compare the student's W.C.P.M. score to national norms for Grade 3. See chart in the Introduction of this Guide.