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Learning Centres Resource

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Research

Readers will be well aware that research consistently shows that early literacy competence correlates highly with positive long-term academic, economic and social outcomes. An added bonus comes in

heightened self-esteem, an essential ingredient for successful living. The converse also applies: failure to gain this early competence correlates highly with compounding negative outcomes.

Being able to read many words automatically by sight contributes massively to fluent reading

As there is limited time in the early years of schooling to develop life-long literacy skills, it is crucial that every child be taught with the most effective tools and methodologies available, to help master the complex task of reading and writing.

New Zealand educationalist, Mary Andrew, noted that:

Every language has a group of common words which are in constant use. They make up the framework of the language – the essential structure which helps you to read other words ... These words are called Basic Sight Words because they must be known at sight – instantly ... They provide the framework from which other words in the sentence can be worked out, using context clues. (Andrew, 1997)

English has 100 of these commonly occurring words that, on average, make up half the words one reads. The rapid mastery of these 100 words contributes considerably to any student's progress toward literacy.

Those familiar with the MIOOW® Magic 100 Words resources, will be aware that it concentrates the student's attention on precisely these 100 words using a variety of games and activities. MIOOW® is the acronym for Magic 100 Words. Through the fun and interaction of these accelerated learning activities, reading, fluency and comprehension skills can be greatly enhanced. Rapidly increasing the number of exposures to these important words promotes storage in long-term memory and easy recall.

MIOOW[®] More Magic Words Resources

This manual together with the MIOOW® More Magic Words playing cards – builds on the foundations established by MIOOW® Magic 100 Words.

It concentrates the student's attention on the next 100 most commonly used words in English (Davidson and Wicking, 1994), thus providing the student with immediate command of, according to some estimates, approximately two-thirds of the words encountered in general reading. It retains all the excitement, interest and fun of the original, using the same strategies and employing similar games.

Automoticity and Comprehension

The MIOOW® literacy activities and educational card games promote automaticity – the instant recognition and enunciation of words – which significantly increases fluency, flexibility and comprehension in reading.

One essential component of speed and automaticity in reading is an extensive vocabulary of words recognised instantly by sight. These words are often referred to as "sight words" or "sight vocabulary". Being

able to read many words automatically by sight contributes massively to fluent reading and is the most efficient way to unlock the meaning of any text. (Westwood 2001)

Studies worldwide consistently highlight the link between a continuously increasing bank of automatic sight words and improved comprehension. The employment of MIOOW® strategies provides teachers and parents with a sequential and systematic approach to explicitly teach these essential words.

Working Memory

The mechanisms determining how new information is examined, categorised and absorbed, and new skills mastered (working memory) and how this knowledge is stored and retrieved for later use (long-term memory), are part of the unfolding discoveries of cognitive psychology.

Think of the effort and concentration involved as children learn to do up shoelaces, a task which is initially all consuming. In the beginning, it takes their entire attention, and even the slightest distraction interrupts and overloads their thinking. As they do it again and again, the steps in the process become integrated into one skill. The same could be said for acquiring any new skill, even as an adult. Think about learning to drive a manual car, or juggle balls. Eventually, the task becomes compacted and stored in long term memory. A person is then able to tie up laces easily, drive the car, or juggle the balls automatically, even while talking to others or focusing on other things.

Anyone who has listened to unskilled readers stumbling along the page, making lots of mistakes, knows that their comprehension of what they read is likely to be shattered by the amount of cognitive effort that is being diverted to the task of saying words. If these children were able to read quickly and accurately, then the extra mental energy saved by not having to struggle with each word could be applied to comprehending what they read, which is what reading is all about. (Nicholson, 1998)

In summary, storing the frequently used words in long term memory, so that they can be automatically retrieved, greatly enhances a child's ability to read and write fluently. As fluency increases, so does comprehension. As reading for meaning becomes easier, the complex task of learning to read becomes enjoyable, meaningful and worthwhile.

Recognition and Retrieval

Learning to recognise a word is a necessary initial step before being able to refrieve a word for use when writing.

It is important to understand that there are two distinct stages in successfully learning to store and retrieve a word from long-term memory. The first stage is successful when a child can discriminate visually among the different words presented in a group or list and can point correctly to the target word when the teacher pronounces it. This stage uses recognition and involves the relatively easy matching of an auditory stimulus to the visual symbol. The second and much more demanding stage requires ... retrieval of the word and its pronunciation from one's own memory. (Westwood, 2001)

Magic Memory and Spiders and Spells are ideal recognition games before moving onto complex retrieval activities such as Beat the Clock, Wish and finally the challenge of writing.

Learning Rates

The effectiveness of MIOOW® results, in part, from its acknowledgment of the fundamental differences in the rate at which people learn. Essentially, we all move along the road of learning at different speeds. Teachers and parents intuitively know this from their personal experience and from observations of their children. Some children master a new word in just a few exposures, while others need to see a new word hundreds of times before they can read and write it competently.

Learning Styles

Children from an early age develop preferred ways of learning. Many of those children who do not succeed at school have learning styles that are not easily catered for by traditional teaching methods. Teachers who are aware of the different learning styles incorporate into their practice a variety of techniques, activities and resources to ensure the best learning conditions for all the children in their class. (See Literacy Centre Resources.)

Visual, Auditory and Kinesthetic comprise the most fundamental styles.

through seeing things. They like to read, take notes, use mind mapping and diagrams. Pictorial clues and instructions are a movement preferred way of receiving and expressing information. In learning new words they are best presented in written form, preferably in colour, or by the learner visualising them in their mind. The coloured MIOOW®

cards and graded levels, together with games such as Magic Memory, Guess What Word, and Alphabet Euchre, are highly supportive of this learning style.

Auditory learners enjoy listening and talking. They learn best through lectures, talks and audiotapes. They are good at giving and receiving verbal instructions and often learn through self-talk. Hearing how a new word sounds, syllabification, sounding, "stretching out" and hearing them in context assists auditory learners. They enjoy games like Wish and Sentence Building where the words are called and spoken.

Kinesine is or haptic learners tend to learn through their senses using movement and action. Very often this is the preferred style of boys, but does not exclude girls. They like to stand, pace and move around while they are thinking and learn best through doing. In learning a new word, they are greatly assisted by "feeling" the word – for example, by making it with playdough or clay, writing it in a sand tray, tracing it on sand paper, having it traced onto their back or tracing it onto someone else's.

They may also learn by selecting the set of letters from a 'Feel Bag' or making it with magnetic letters on a board. Computer activities such as typing out focus words, varying the font and colouring the word are also useful. The combination of touching and manipulating the cards is of great value to kinesthetic learners as they are physically involved in the activities. These learners delight in games such as Wild Word, Spiders and Spells, Look-Say-Cover-Write-Check, Simultaneous Oral Spelling (S.O.S.) and in performing Magic Tricks.

The more senses engaged during learning, the easier and more efficiently it can be processed into long term memory. Teachers who present material in a range of different ways are more likely to cater to individual learning styles.

Whole-Brain Learning

Our brains are divided into two halves, the left and right hemispheres. The left brain generally specialises in logic, analysis, words, numbers, speaking, and writing, and sees the small details; the right

hemisphere looks after creativity, imagination, art, music, and colour, and sees the whole picture. Learning activities that engage both hemispheres greatly accelerate learning. The MIOOW® resources deliberately employ games, fun,

movement, colour, matching, recalling, speaking, listening, visualising, imagining, guessing and interaction to stimulate both hemispheres of the brain and significantly increase the learning of these essential words.

I hear and I forget,

I see and I remember,

I do and I understand

Learning Centres and Literacy Activities

Philosophy

Creating successful Learning Centres means providing optimal learning experiences. This involves understanding the following principles which support students to become LITERATE:

Learner-centred

Learner-centred teaching builds upon each child's knowledge, skills and abilities in clear, concise and sequential stages. It requires explicit, targeted teaching that moves children from the known to the unknown in achievable, successful steps.

Immersion

Immersing children in a wealth of printed material is vital—books, magazines, newspapers, advertising brochures, charts, labels, lists, wordwalls, menus, songs and noticeboards. Students also benefit when the classroom features lots of samples of printed material based on their own shared experiences and interests.

Teaching Explicitly

Teaching explicitly the skills and concepts of reading and writing that must be mastered is an integral part of the process. Successful programs incorporate reading to children, oral language, reading, guided reading, modelled reading, shared books, reciprocal teaching, shared writing, interactive writing, modelled writing, independent writing and guided writing.

Expectations

Expectations, either high or low, have a powerful effect upon learning. Every child needs positive, encouraging messages that they will succeed, as well as small, achievable tasks that reinforce and promote confidence.

Responsibility

Responsibility and independence are essential to motivated, life-long learners. Learning Centres encourage self-reliance which helps instill confidence in one's own abilities.

Authentic Practice

Authentic and purposeful activities provide real and appropriate ways to practice new skills. A rich, diverse range of tasks greatly enhances learning outcomes.

Trial and Error

Trial and error provides useful learning experiences as children reflect upon mistakes and develop strategies to overcome them. Risk-taking is an important part of literacy development.

Evaluation

Evaluation and ongoing feedback empower learners towards improvement and the establishment of new goals.

Learning Centres

Learning Centres provide the opportunity for teachers to target work activities to the individual needs of students at various levels within the one class or group.

The MICOW More Magic Words - Learning Centres Resource is designed to reinforce, consolidate and extend mastery of the More Magic Words (101–200) and building upon the Magic 100 Words (1–100) within the literacy session.

It is recommended that teachers using the MIOOW® resources begin by assessing each child. Through a combination of recording a child's reading on a Running Record, observations during guided-reading, and administering the MIOOW® Word Recognition Test, a child's skill level can be ascertained.

The determination of this level then establishes the starting point from which teaching priorities may be decided. It enables the selection of a number of familiar words – about nine – together with about three words with which the child is unfamiliar or hesitant. These 12 words then form the initial basis of the child's learning. Once total familiarity with the new words is achieved, remove three (initially) familiar words and add a further three unfamiliar words.

The capacity to cope with new words will vary between children, therefore the number introduced in each learning cycle must be individually tailored by the teacher, to ensure that a child's optimal learning rate is not overloaded.

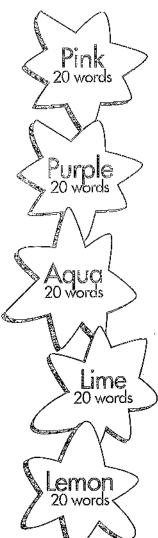


The Magic Words form a nucleus that can explode into thousands of additional words.

The games and literacy activities support the learning of sounds and patterns in words. As children transfer their knowledge of words and parts of words to form new words, they exponentially increase their word knowledge and reading skills.

The sequential MIOOW® activities assist teachers and students to move systematically through the 12 levels toward mastery of the 200 most frequently used words in English. These practical, highly focused activities can be easily used with the whole class, small groups or individuals.

MICOW/ More Magic Words Lovels



The five levels, each containing 20 words, are: Pink, Purple, Aqua, Lime and Lemon.

Making Learning Centres

The MIOOW® Literacy Activities are designed to be:

- Photocopied onto coloured paper or card appropriate to each level
- Laminated for durability and longevity
- Cut out, assembled and folded as described
- Stored in plastic pockets, freezer bags, tubs or plastic containers
- Labelled for ease of identification and re-use.

Assessment, Recording & Reporting

The MIOOW® More Magic Words Recognition Test, Writing Error Analysis and Magic Words Record Forms can be copied onto white copy paper, completed and kept in each student's portfolio. They can then be used for reporting,

evaluation and planning. Many teachers keep student

portfolios which demonstrate each student's learning and achievements. Students and teachers select pieces of work that illustrate progress, increased knowledge, new skills and enhanced learning. Students should be encouraged to reflect upon and record insights about selected pieces of work.

I have kept this story because it is the first time I have spelt because right and other hard words

Parents

It is important to encourage parents to be involved in their children's literacy development. Many schools have a team of dedicated parents and friends who are willing to assist. They can copy, laminate and prepare the activities for classroom use, assist with the organisation of literacy activities in the classroom, and reinforce and consolidate the activities at home with their children.

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Making the Most of More Magic Words

Level Placeman

MICOW® More Magic Words features five levels - Pink, Purple, Aqua, Lime and Lemon. MICOW® Magic 100 Words (sold separately), has seven levels - Gold, Red, Blue, Green, Orange, Indigo and Violet.

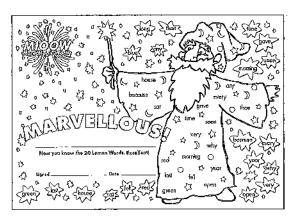
MICOW® Magic 100 Words and More Magic Words together build 12 levels of progression towards mastering the 200 most frequently used English words. The level placemats can be used in a number of ways:

- Placemats can be made for school and home so that the child is constantly being exposed to the set of words he/she is learning.
- Bingo cards allow the teacher or small group leader to either call the word, or, for beginners, display the MIOOW® card allowing them to match the word.
- Matching activities can be made by copying the board twice and cutting out the words from one board for sorting and matching on the other.

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Certificates

A certificate is provided for each level, to celebrate the learning of the words in that level. It is important to ensure that recognition games and activities always precede retrieval activities. The child should be awarded the certificate as soon as he/she is able to name each of the words in the level, as opposed to being able to spell them correctly in written work, which is a much more complex skill. The words are



printed on the certificate, providing further reinforcement and consolidation at home with family and friends. The MIOOW® More Magic Words Certificate is awarded when a child has completed all five levels.

MIOOW® Card Games and Activities

Learning Centres use a variety of literacy activities to reinforce, revise and consolidate literacy concepts,

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according to the individual needs and learning styles of each child.

Additional games to those in the MIOOVV® card set and literacy activities are provided for use in Learning Centres.

A take home Magic Word Box is an enjoyable way to promote the reinforcement and consolidation of the words at home.

Children can select their favourite MIOOW® games to take home in the box and play with family and friends.



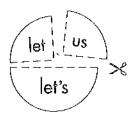
These activities have been designed to encourage children to focus on the particular patterns and features of words:

- Words in Words. Sort for words that DO contain another word, for example: mother, sing, home, and those that DON'T: best, people, school.
- Days of the Week.
- Number of Letters in Each Word (2-7).
- Tricky Words to Spell and Easy Words to Spell.

Words in Words

Word cards are folded so children can see the small words contained within larger words. The reverse side allows for self-correction. These are particularly helpful for visual learners who often remember how words look and use mnemonic clues to help with spelling.

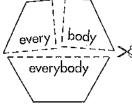
Contractions and Compound Words



This encourages children to sort and match the two words with their corresponding contraction or compound word. Extension activities may include looking

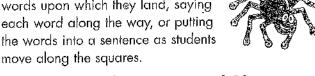
for contractions or compound words in

text, putting them in sentences, stories or poems, and taking part in various oral activities.



Spiders and Spells Game

This board and dice game allows children ample opportunity to see, say and hear the words. Extension activities may involve naming the words upon which they land, saying each word along the way, or putting the words into a sentence as students



Word-slides for Onset and Rime

The MIOOW® card games and literacy activities support the learning of orthographic analogies - using known spelling patterns to spell new words.

The word-slides expand spelling skills through onset and rime. These activities are an excellent way to increase a child's word knowledge and the ability to

"make and break" words.

The initial sound is put with a constant rime to create new words, for example an, ban, can, fan, man, pan, ran, tan, van.

Jumble Placecards

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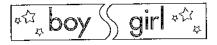
The cards are folded to stand like a placecard with the large bold word facing the student. Using only the letters in the word, students create as many



words as possible. Inside Wordlin's cape there is a clue as to how many words might be found!

Homophones and Opposites

These activities can be used for Sort and Say, Matching, Magic Memory, Dictionary Definitions, Writing Activities and various Word Study Tasks.



Personal Dictionary

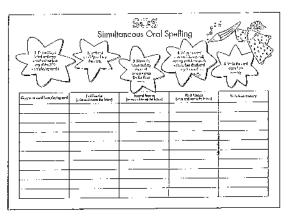
These word strips may be used in a word study book, in a personal dictionary, or to form the basis of a spelling



checklist. They assist students in developing dictionary skills and are one of the best aids to discovering the spelling of words they want to write. These strips encompass the most frequently used word lists from many of the commonly used sources.

SOS – Simultaneous Oral Spelling

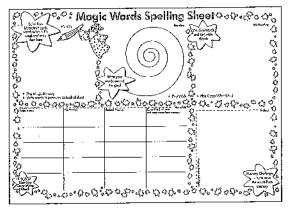
This is a multisensory method of learning to spell, emphasising the combination of auditory, visual and kinesthetic modalities. A student must hear the word,



say the word out loud, spell it out letter by letter, write the word saying each letter as it is written and then read what has been written. (Thomson, 1996).

Magic Words Spelling Sheet

This sheet features a variety of activities to be covered over a week to learn a particular set of words that a student wishes to master.



Taskboard Templates

Teachers can use these templates daily, on their taskboards, to cue children to appropriate learning centre activities.



MIOOW® More Magic Words Recognition Test

Individually administered test to record a child's knowledge of the 101-200 most frequently used words. Instructions, test sheet and record form are all provided to assist with recording, evaluation and planning.

Writing Error Analysis

Formally analysing the students' spelling errors, approximately once a term, provides valuable information about their knowledge of the phoneme-graphene system. Select one or more writing samples that have been re-read and edited by each child. Record the information on the Writing Error Analysis record form, prioritise subsequent teaching foci and store in a portfolio for further planning, evaluation of progress and reporting.

MIOOW® Record Forms

Record-keeping sheets are provided to help teachers keep an accurate record of students' progress.



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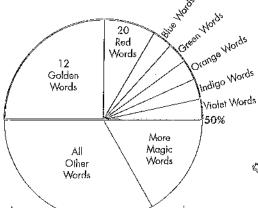
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12 Golden Words make up, on average, one quarter of all reading:

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20 Red level words together with the above 12 Golden Words (32 words) make up, on average, one third of all reading:



Red

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all.	are	as	at	but
for	had	have	he	her
his	not	on	one	said
SO	they	we	with	you

The following 68 words – Blue, Green, Orange, Indigo and Violet levels, together with the above 32 words (100 words) make up, on average, one half of all reading:

Blue	Green	Orange	Indigo	Violet
an	big	back	call	about
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do	did	came	here	could
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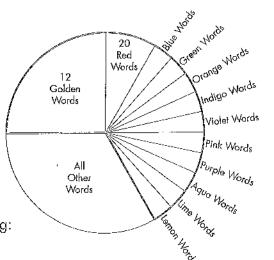
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Pink	Purple	Aqua	Lime	Lemon
after	again	always	another	any
am	ask	away	bad	because
boy	best	bird	black	blue
day	bring	dog	don't	every
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help	left	et	live	long
home	man	many	may	morning
jump	mother	night	once	open
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Learning Materials

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Books - picture books, library books, novels, class made books and students' books

Note pads, paper, jotters

Stickers, transfers, glitter, tape, staplers, hole punch, string, glue, glitter glue

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Magnetic letters – upper and lower case, lots of colours, different sizes and styles

Baking trays or metal boards for magnetic letter activities

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MIOOW® More Magic Words Playing Cards, MICOW® Magic 100 Words Playing Cards, Scrabble, Boggle, Up Words Word Games



factual texts, biographies, library books, novels, class made books and students' books

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Posters

Signs

Word Mobiles

Word Study Resources

Atlases, dictionaries, directories, pictionaries, thesauruses

Personal dictionaries for recording personal word lists Word Wail - blank eards or stars to add to words on the wall

Word Family charts

MICOW® Magic Words Desktop Mat or each student

Word Mobiles

Handwriting charts to reinforce letter formation

Freezer bags, Click Zip Snap bags, plastic containers, cardboard boxes, plastic jubs Sforage items

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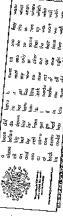
Several good quality Word Study teachers' manuals and classroom activity books

Word lists – alphabetical, high frequency, blends, phonograms, dipthonas

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conference notes, individual index cards to record Student profile information — first drafts of writing, information, MIOOWI® Word Recognition Tests

Checklists of letters and sounds, high frequency words, phonograms, etc.



Resources

Books - picture books, encyclopedias,

Poems

Word Walls

pens, rainbow pencils (single multi-coloured pencils) Coloured pens, pens, highlight markers, fluorescent

crayons, glitter crayons, writing pencils

"Post-It" notepads - all sizes, shapes and colours

Writing books for secretarial and authorial work spiral pads, bulky pads, scrap books, notepads,

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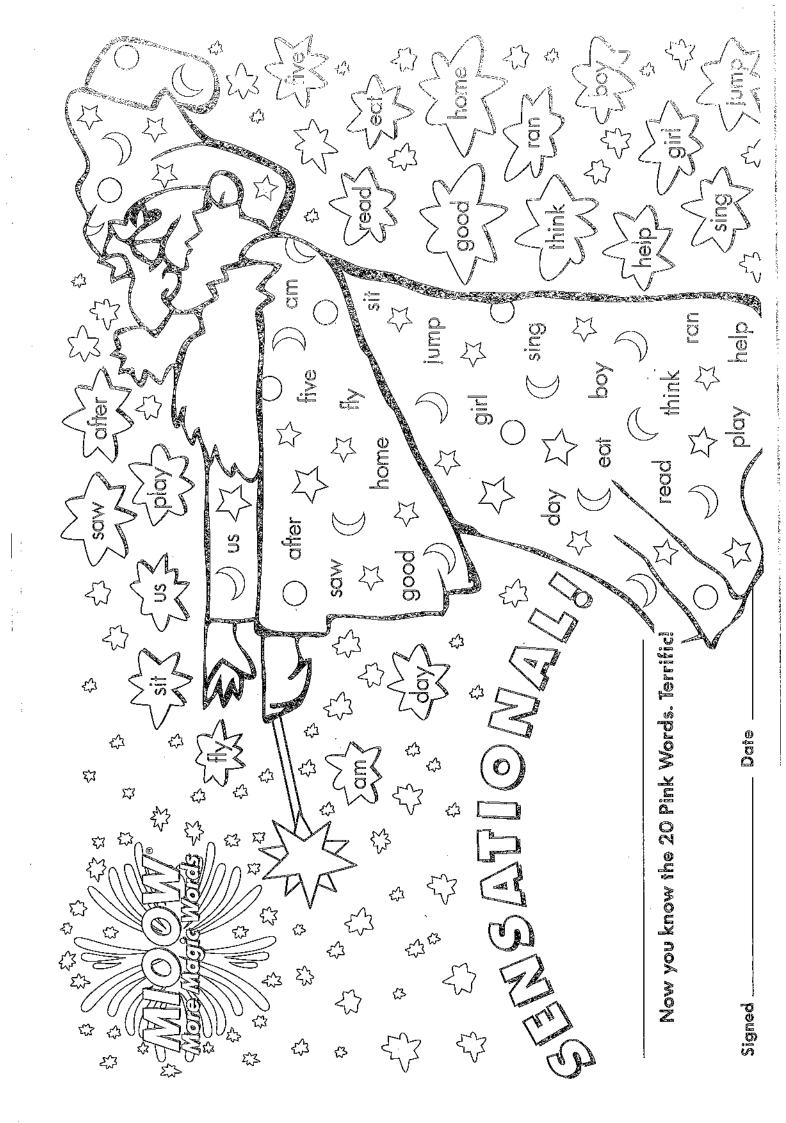
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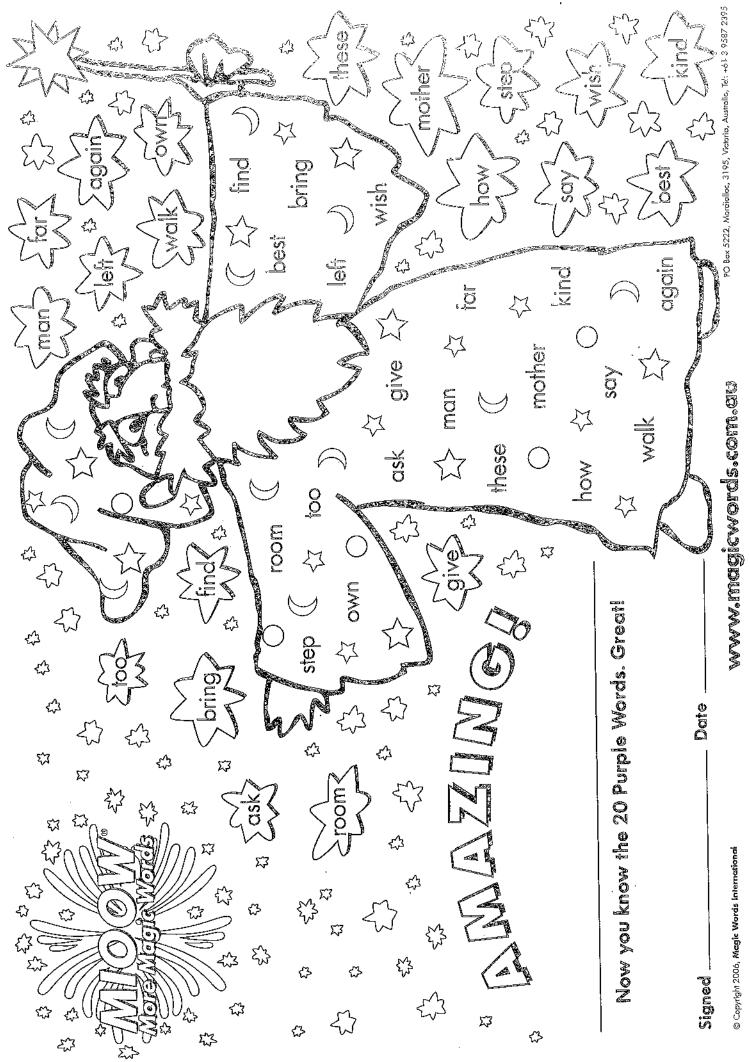
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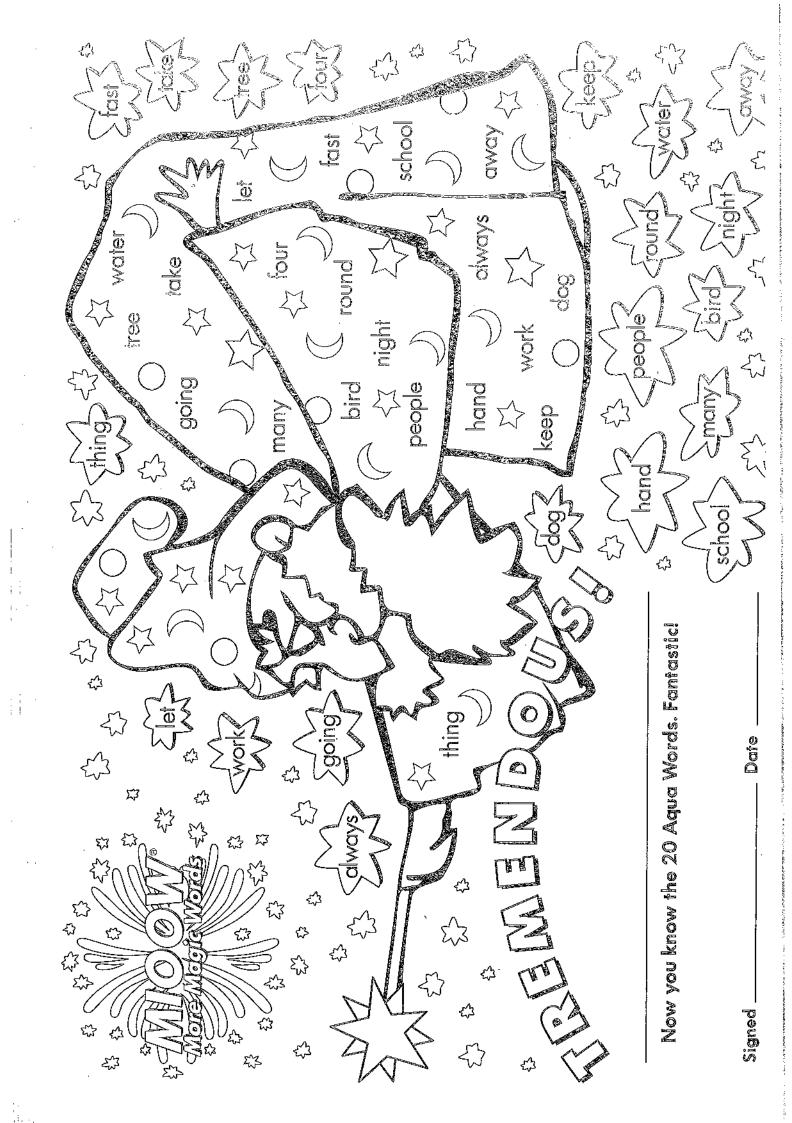
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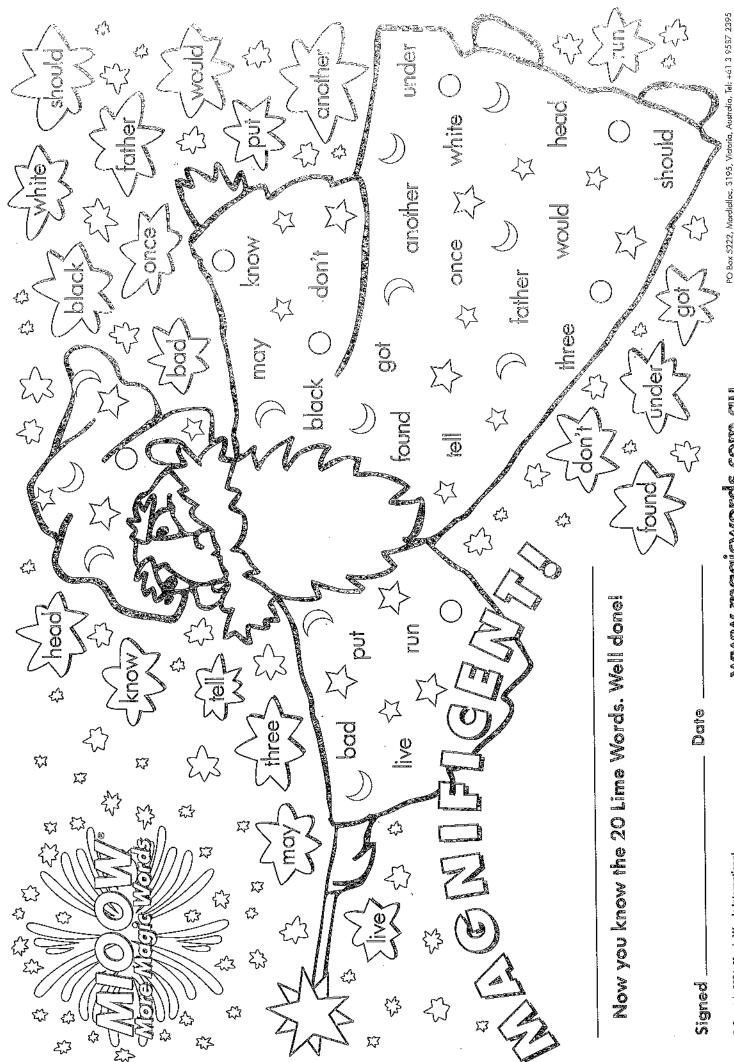
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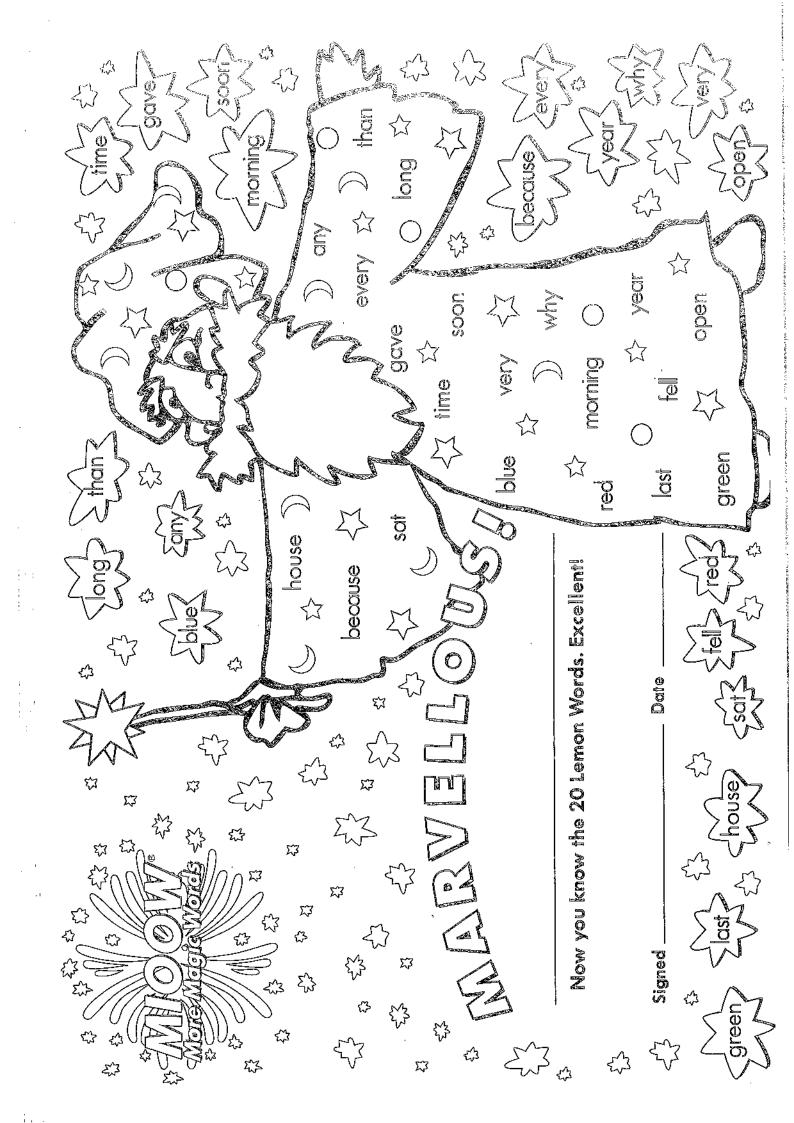
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Magic Memory

Players – 1 or more Cards – 6 or more pairs

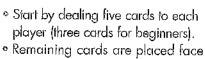
- Start by placing the well-shuffled pairs in neat rows and columns, face down on a table.
- Play begins with one player turning over any two cards and naming them.
- If a pair is turned over, the player keeps the pair and has another turn.
- If no match is made, turn the cards back down and the next player can turn over any two cards.
- Play continues with each player in turn searching for matching = pairs. An extra turn is given each time a player has successfully used his/her "Magic Memory" to find a pair.
- Play continues until all the cards are paired.
- The winner is the player with the most number of pairs at the end of the game.





Wish

Players – 2 or more Cards – 10 or more pairs, depending on the number of players and skill level.



down in the middle of the players to form a stockpile known simply as the "pile".

 Play begins with one player saying to the group:

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- If another player has the named card it must be handed over to the requesting player, to form a pair.
- If no player can supply the named card, the player picks up an extra card from the "pile".
- The winner is the player with the most number of pairs at the end of the game.





Days of the Week Games 1

Players – 2 Cards – 7 pairs of the Days of the Week

Activity 1

Introduce the cards one at a time. Show that each word ends with day. Then cue players to the initial sound, letters or words as a clue to reading the word.

F = Friday, Th = Thursday, Sun = Sunday, Sat = Saturday

Activity 2

Play Magic Memory, naming the cards each time they are turned over, to promote familiarity.

Activity 3

Play Wish so that players become familiar with asking and naming each of the days.





Days of the Week Games 2

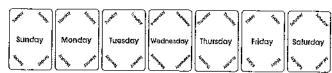
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Activity 4

Place cards face-up in order from Sunday to Saturday. Turn down one card. Players must look at the set and call out the name of the missing day. The winner is the first to name the missing day. This player then invites the other player to turn away while they turn down another card and play continues.

Activity 5

Divide the seven pairs of the words between two players. Each player then lays out the seven single days face down in front of themselves. Players then race to turn the cards over and place them in the correct order.







Wild Word

Players – 3 or more Cards - 5 pairs per player and I unpaired card, the "Wild Word"

- Start by dealing five cards to each player from a woll-shuffled set. Remaining cards are placed face
- Each player checks their hand for pairs placing them face-up on the table. Additional cards are taken from the pile to ensure each
- player begins with five cards.
- Play begins when one player selects a card from the hidden hand of the player to their right. If this creates a pair, the player
- places the pair on the table and selects an extra card from the stockpile.
- down in the centre to form the pile. If no pair is made, the player places the card in his/her hand. He/She then holds the hand ready for the player to his/her left to select a card.
 - Play continues, with players who still have cards, until all the cards are paired.
 - The loser is the player left with the "Wild Word".





Cloze

Players - 1 or more Cards - 3 or more

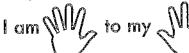
Choose any number of Magic Words that are being learnt.

Write a sentence using each of the 10 words (more than one of the words can be used in a sentence). Eg:

I am kind to my dog

- Cover the Magic Word or Words.
- Read the sentences filling in the missing Magic Words.

Ask a partner to try to read the sentences filling in the missing words:







Magic Word Trick Magician and Audience

The Magician selects a set of cards, approximately 10 to 50, including only one pair.

The Magician must split the pair, placing one on top and the other on the bottom of the set before beginning. The Magician then asks a person in his audience to split the pile and show the audience a card. The Magician must not see the card. The Magician then asks that the card be placed face down on top of the top half of the split pile.

The Magician then carefully places the bottom half on top of the pile. The Magic Word is now between the pair.

The Magician can then use any form of showmanship, like saying some magic words, shouting MIOOW® or waving a wand before fanning the cards face up on the table. The Magic Word will be found between the Magician's pair and can then be presented to the audience.





Wandering Words

- Select a set of cards.
- Sketch a shape and write the words from the cards end-to-end over the shape.







Alphabet Euchre

Players – 2 or more Cards – any number of unpaired cards, according to the number of players and skill level.

- Start by dealing five cards to each player.
- Play begins with a player placing one card face up in the middle of the group.
- Each player in turn plays a card from his/her hand trying to achieve the highest alphabetic place.
- The cards are valued according to their position in a dictionary.

That is, "after" has the least value and "year" has the highest value.

- The player who plays the card with the highest value wins the "trick".
- The round is finished when all five cards have been played.
- The player with the most "tricks" is the winner.





Jumble Words

Players – 1 or more Cards – any card

- Select one of the MICOW® cards – a long word is often better.
- Using only the letters in your word, see how many words you can make.
- Change the order of the letters, but only use a letter twice if it appears twice in the word.
- A dictionary will help you check the correct spelling of words.

				
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Guess What Word

Players - 2 Cards - 12 pairs or more, depending on skill level

- Divide the pairs of words between the two players.
- Each player lays out the 12 single words face up in front of themselves.
- Player 1 decides (by sight) on a magic word.
- Player 2 begins asking questions which require a 'yes' or 'no' answer, in an effort to find out which is the magic word – eg. "Does it have four letters?" "Is it red?" – turning

the incorrect guesses face down.

- When Player 2 thinks he/she knows the magic word he/she asks "Is ______ the Magic Word?" If this is correct the round is over and Player 1 then has his/her turn to "Guess What Word" is the Magic Word.
- The player who guesses the magic word by asking the least number of questions is the winner.





Word Search

Players – 1 or more Cards – 5 or more

- Select 10 MIOOW® cards
- Rule up a grid of squares.
 It will need to be as wide as the longest word and as high as the second longest word.



 Use as many of the words as possible to fill in the squares on the grid.

- Remember to list the words under the grid.
- Count any spaces that are left.
- Find a word with that many letters and write it in the remaining squares in the correct order.
- Make up a clue to help solve the mystery word and write down how many letters it has,
- Give your Word Search to a partner to solve,





Magic Threes Trick Magician and Audience

- The Magician selects any nine cards and places them face up on the table in neat rows of three.
- The Magician invites a member of the audience to identify a word and point to it while he or she turns away.
- The Magician then asks which column the word is in 1, 2 or 3. The Magician then carefully gathers the cards up by columns, ensuring that the column
- containing the Magic Word is placed on top.
- The Magician then lays the cards out again in three rows as before. The Magic Word will now be the top card in one of the columns.
- The Magician now asks the audience to identify which column the Magic Word is in and picks up the top card showing everyone the Magic Word!





- The group leader hides a MIOOW® card usually a new word while a child or class is not looking.
- The class or group then chants: "Wordlin, Wordlin, please come round, _____ is lost and can't be found."
- The children then go off in search of the missing word.
- Once it is found, a series of fun activities can take place to learn the new word.



Wordlin's® Word



- Select a Magic Word use any of the MIOOW® playing cards.
- Look at it carefully and say the word out loud.
- Name the letters and say the word.

o-n-c-e = once

Do this three times.

- Write the word with a rainbow or coloured pencil, naming each letter as it is written, then say the word. Do this three times.
- Repeat this over several sessions.
- Finally, write the word from memory.



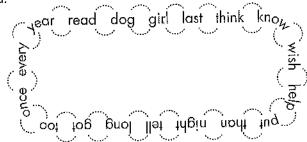
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Simultaneous Oral Spelling



Word Chain Cards – any number

- A set of cards is given to each child.
- The task is to make the longest possible word chain by using the last letter of one word to match up with the first letter of the next word.







Look-Say-Cover-Write-Check

- Take one card at a time from the given set of words that are being learnt.
- Look at the word.
 - Count how many letters are in the word.
- Look for words in words,
- Spot any tricky parts in the word.
- Close your eyes and see it in your Magic Memory.

- Say the word three times while looking at the card.
- Cover the word by turning the card face down.
- Write the word using a coloured or rainbow pencil.
- Check by turning the card over, to see if it has been written correctly.
- Do the same with the remaining cards.





Alphabetical Order Activities

- Place a given set of MtOOW® cards in alphabetical order.
- Shuffle the MIOOW® cards and time how quickly they can be put into alphabetical order.
- Shuffle and sort cards into alphabetical order three times and record the quickest time.
- Write your words in alphabetical order in a word study book.
- Play Alphabet Euchre with a partner.

abcdefghijklm nopqrstuvwxyz





Magic Pairs

Players – 2 or more Cards – 2 sets of MIOOW[®] More Magic Words cards to provide two pairs of each word

- Select a set of words and ensure there are two pairs of each word.
- Shuffle the cards and deal all of them out to the players so that no cards are left.
- One player at a time turns over the top card of their pile, leaving it face up in front of them.
- When any turned up card matches that of another player's pile call "__the paired word] ".
- The first player to call the paired word wins both matching piles.

The piles are then placed face down under the player's own pile.

- If two or more players call the paired word at the same time, the piles are placed in the middle to form a pool. The next time a player calls the paired word he/she wins the matching piles and the pool.
- Once a player has turned all his/her cards he/she is out of the game.
- Play continues until one player is left with the pile of cards and wins.





Mystery Messages Take each word in a given set of MIOOW® cards and write
 a Mystery Message for each of the words. Some examples are
 listed below;

• See if a partner can solve the Mystery Messages.

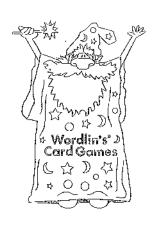




Make up a Sentence

Players - 2 or more Cards - approximately 5 per player

- The aim of this activity is to put a given word into a sentence.
 Players may either write or say their sentences.
- Deal one card per player.
- Each player in turn must make up a sentence using the word on the card that has been dealt to him/her.
- More skilled players can be dealt two cards to put into the one sentence. Silly sentences are quite acceptable!
- When everyone has had a turn, gather cards together, shuffle them and deal again to each player, and play can begin once more.

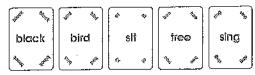




Make up a Story (Individuals)

Players - 2 or more Cards - 3 or more per player, depending on skill level

- The aim of this activity is to make up a story about anything, using the words on the cards dealt.
- Players are given time to think about or write a short story using the cards dealt to them.
- Each player in turn tells or reads his/her story to the others.



The black bird likes to sit in a tree and sing.





Make up a Story (Group activity)

Players – 3 or more Cards – 12

- The aim of this activity is to make up a story about anything, using the words on the cards dealt.
- The cards are placed face up in the middle of the group, and a player begins telling the story (assisted if necessary) and must keep talking until he/she has used one or more of the words on the cards. Once a word has been used it can be turned face down.
- When the player says *Pass*, the player to the left continues the story.

 The player telling the story when the last card is turned down must also bring the story

to a conclusion.











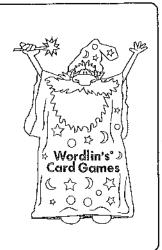
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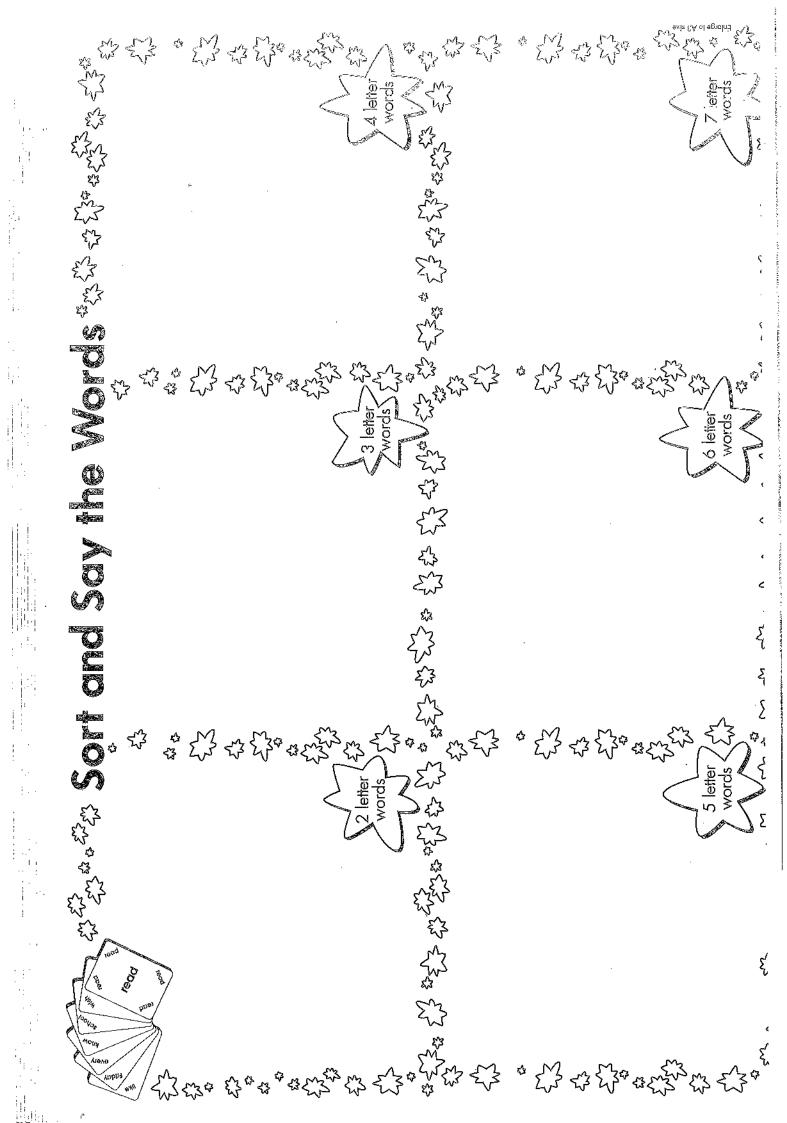


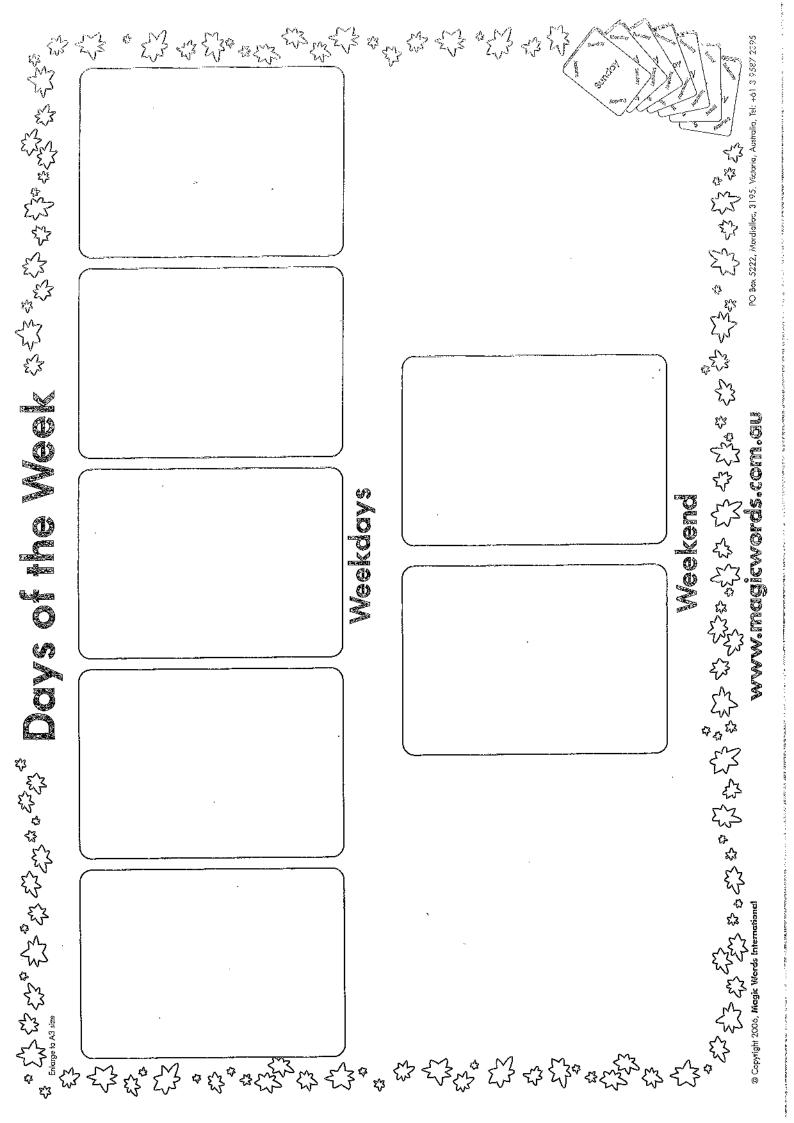
Beat the Clock (Rapid Automatic Naming)

Players - 2 Cards - 10 Clock, score pad and pencil

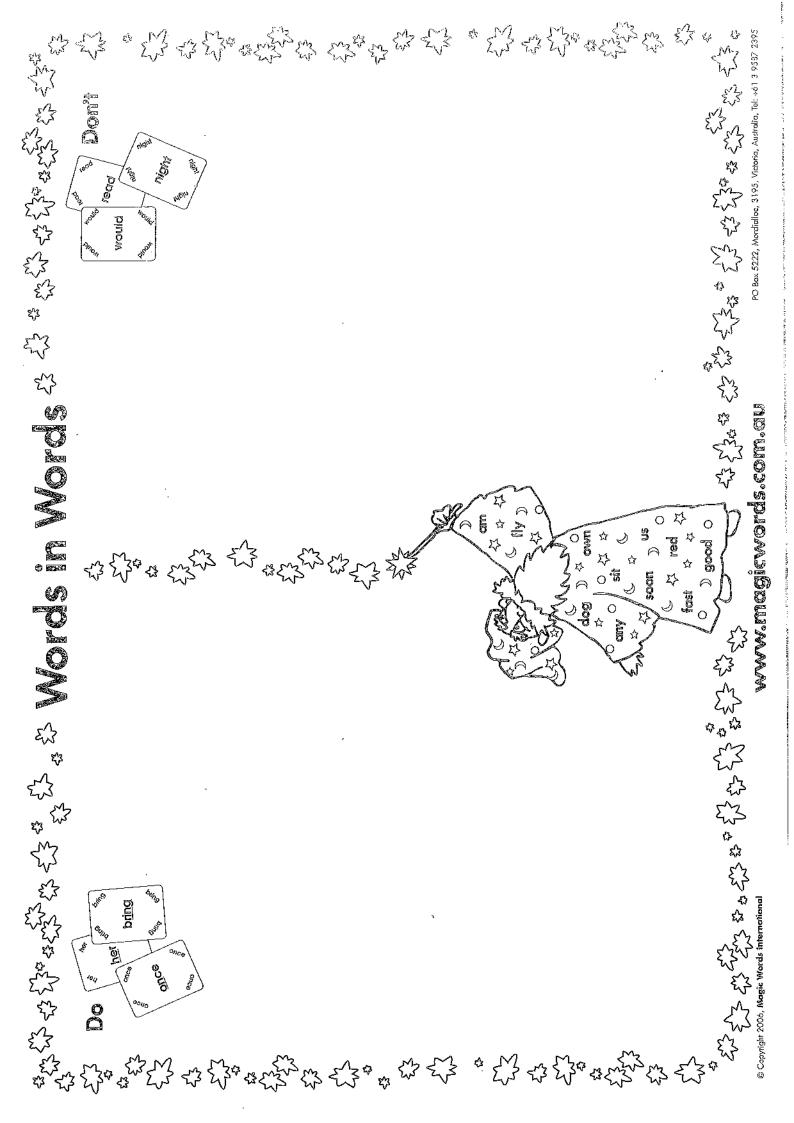
- Select one or two new words to be learnt and about eight familiar words to total 10 cards.
- Place the cards face up in a row.
- Player 1 names the cards from left to right as quickly as possible.
- Player 2 checks that each word is said correctly and records the time taken by player 1.
- The initial time is recorded for each player and subsequent times that break a player's previous personal best (PB) are recorded.
- The aim is to say each word in less than one second, thus a total score of less than 10 seconds.
- When each word can be recalled in a response time of less than one second per word, select a new set of words and play again.







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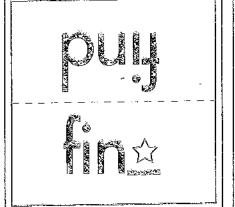
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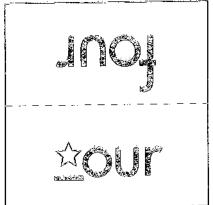
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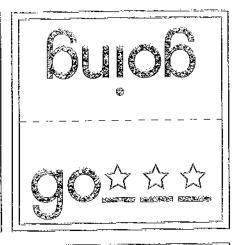
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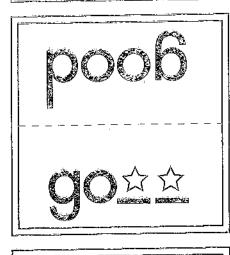
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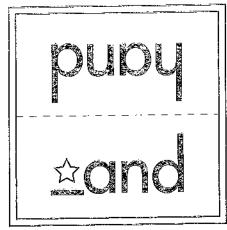


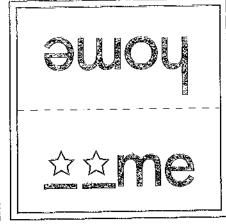


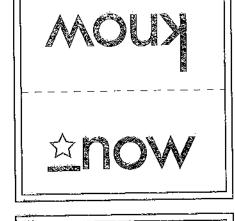


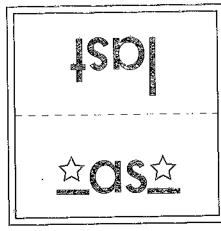


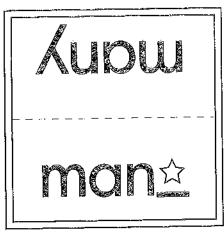


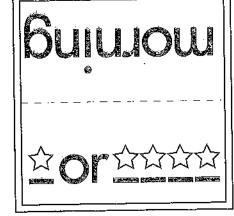




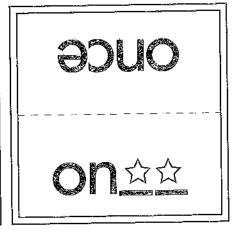






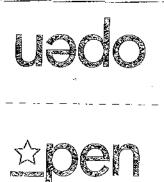






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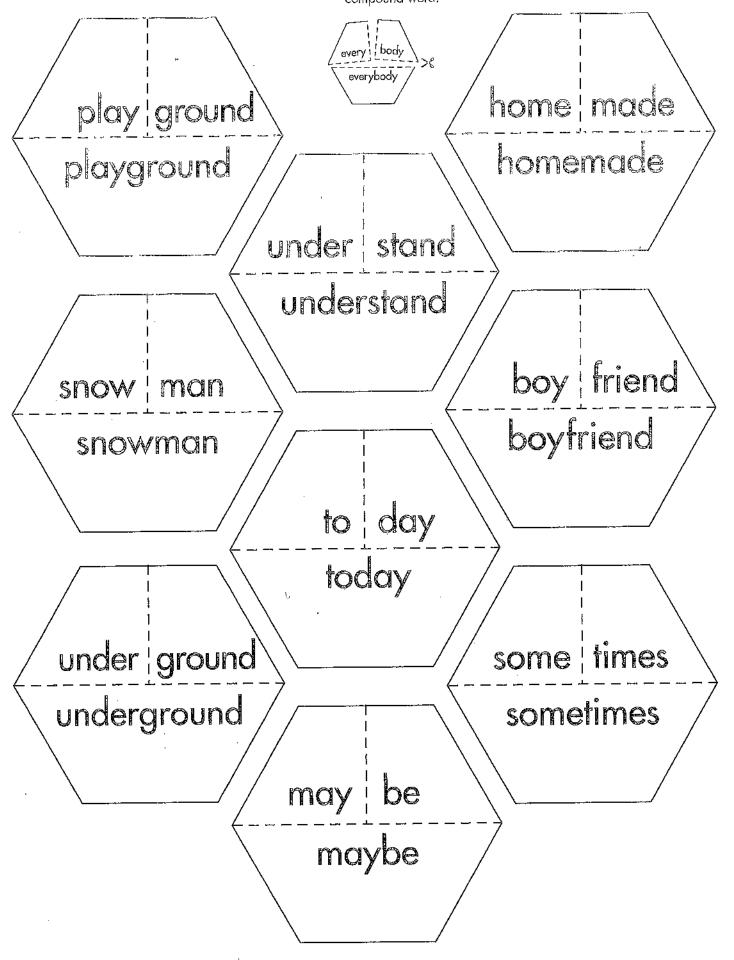
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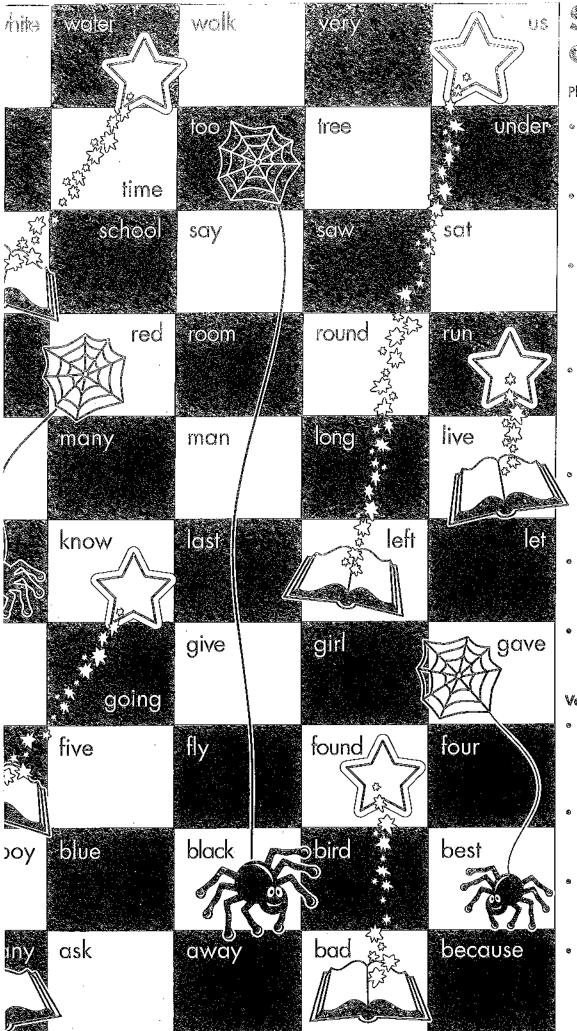
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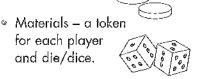
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spiders and spells

Players - 2 to 4



- The aim of the game is to be the first player to reach the "year" square.
- Players take turns to roll
 the die/dice and move their
 token that number of squares
 along the board, following the
 words in alphabetical order.
- If a player lands on a square showing a Spell Book, he/she moves his/her token up the stars to the square which has the Magic Spell Star.
- If a player lands on a square showing a Spider's Web, he/shmust slide his/her token to the square where the Spider is.
- Squares which have only part of a Spell Book or Spider's Wel are just normal playing squares
- The winner is the first player to arrive on the "year" square by an exact roll of the die/dice.

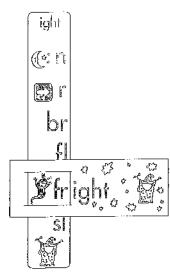
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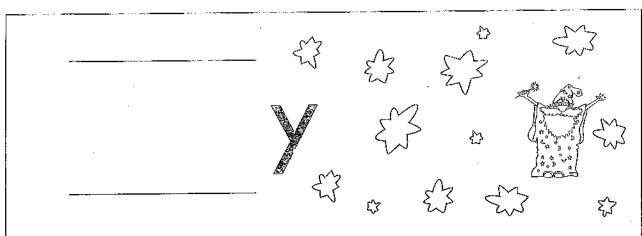
- Players must be able to read the word they land upon, otherwise they move back one space.
- If players can name each word as they progress, they gain an extra turn.
- Having landed on a word, a player must use this word in a sentence.
- Competent players may look at the word they land upon, then close their eyes and spell the word out loud.

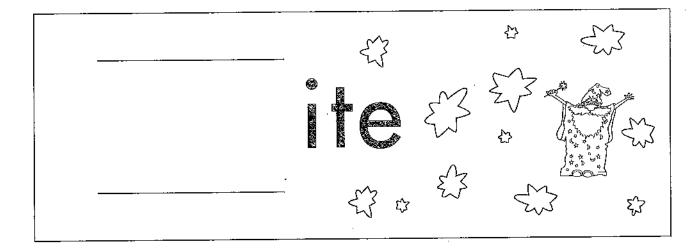
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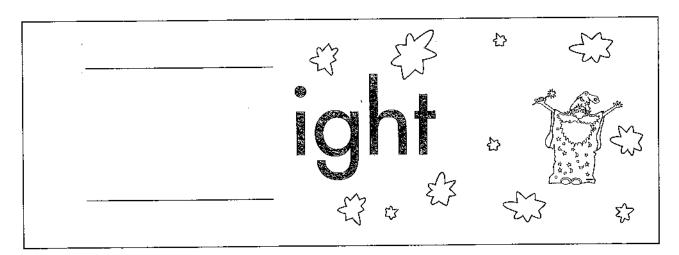
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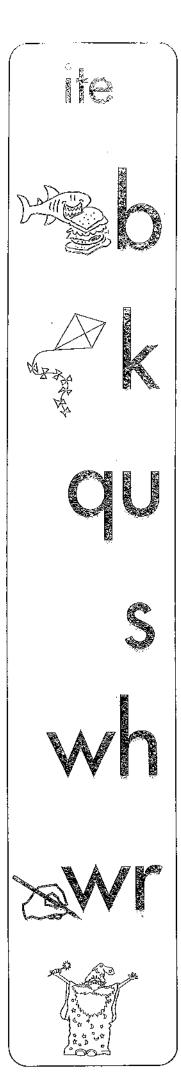


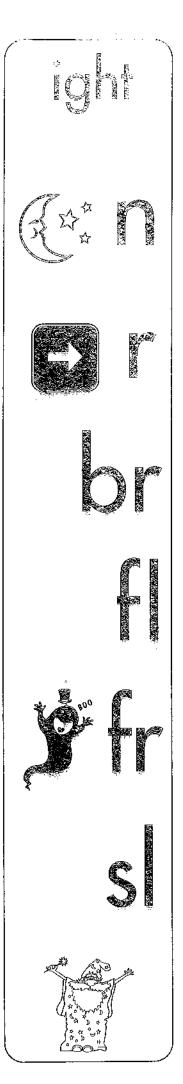


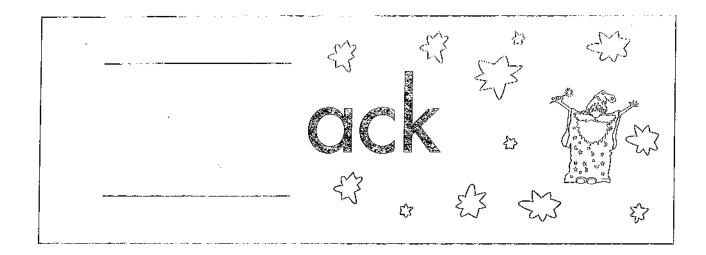


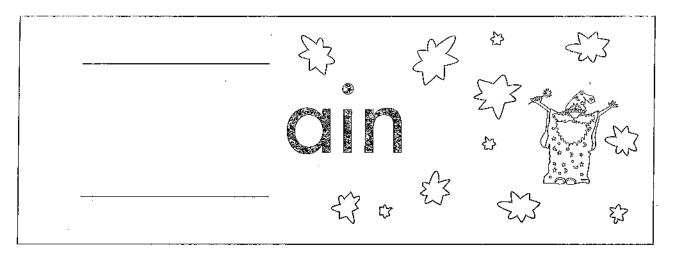


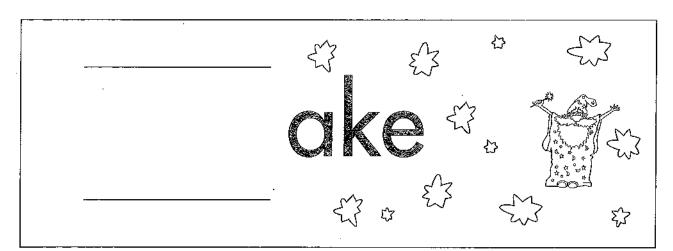


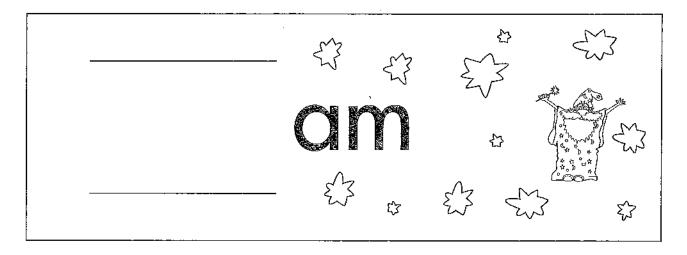




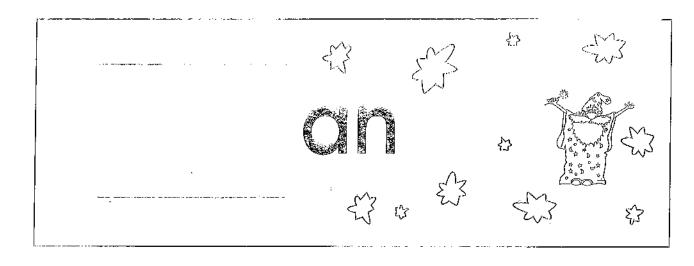


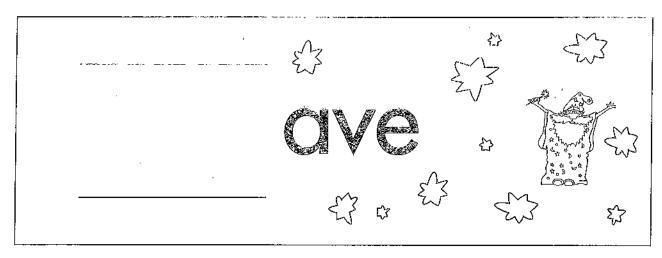


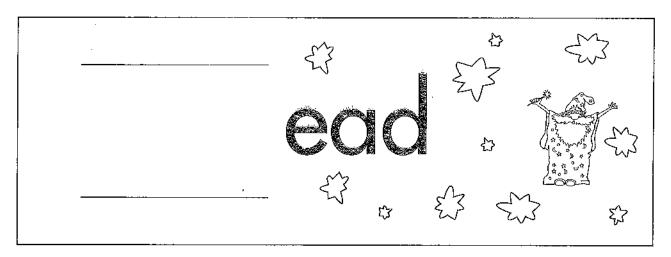


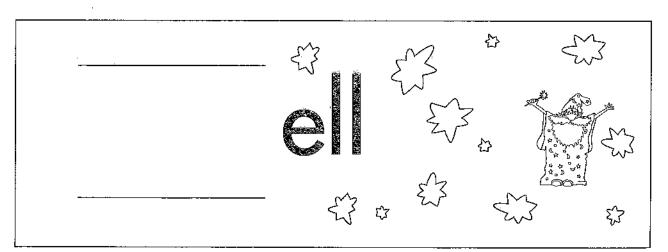


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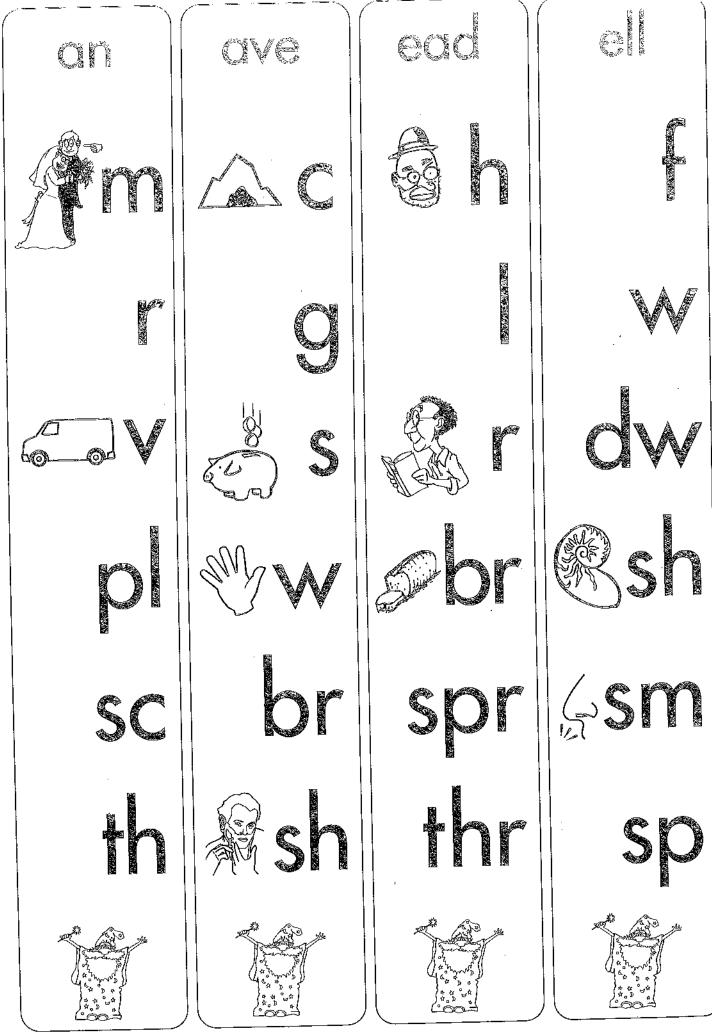


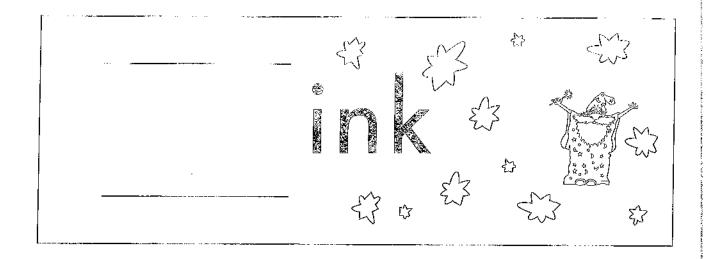


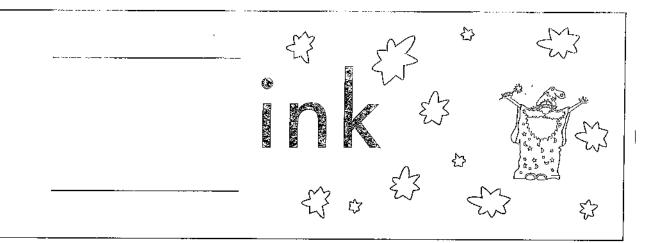


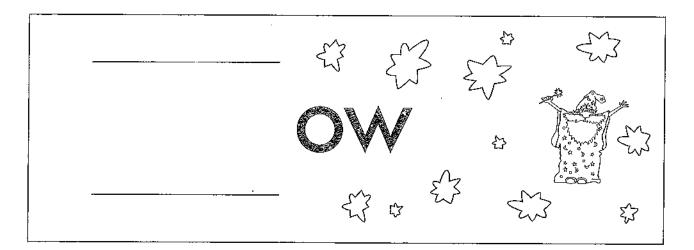


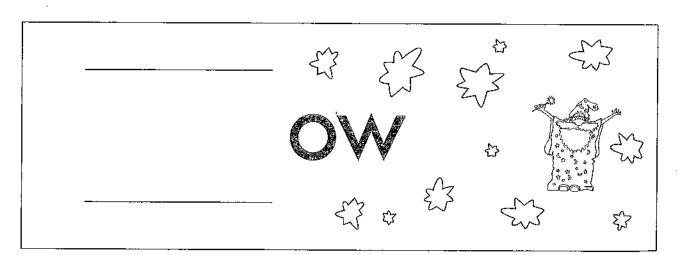
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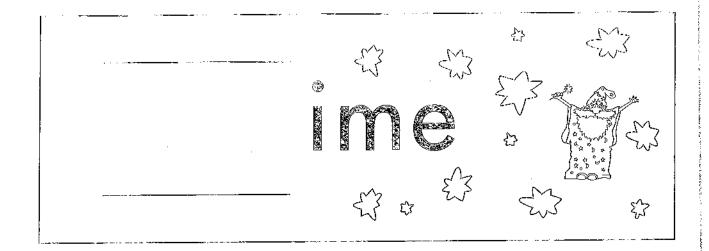


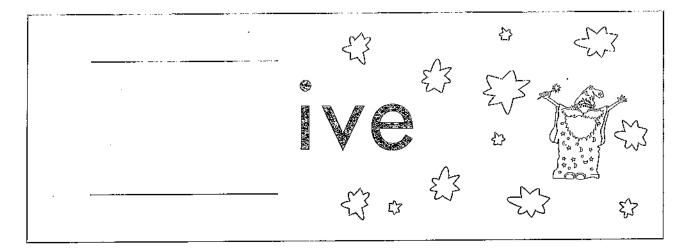


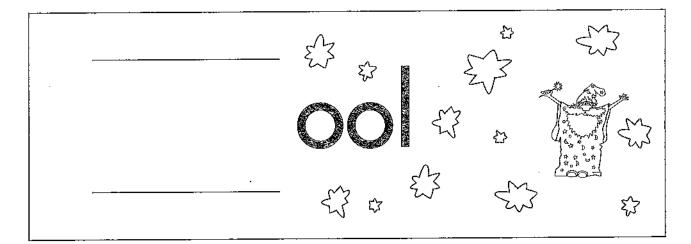


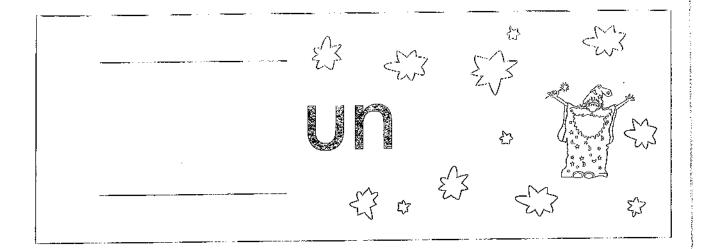


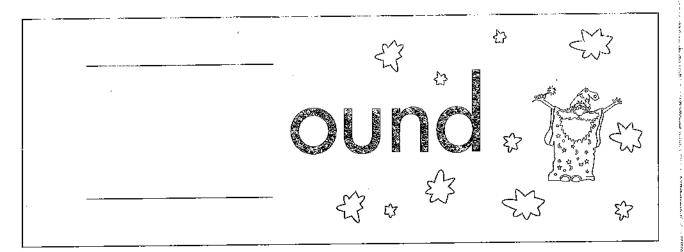
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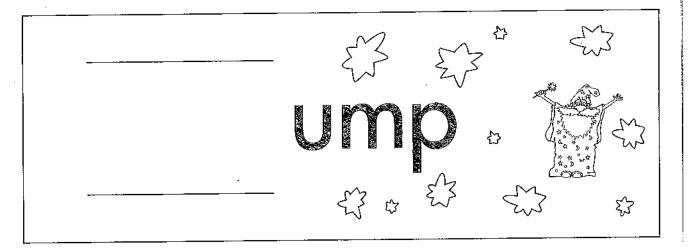


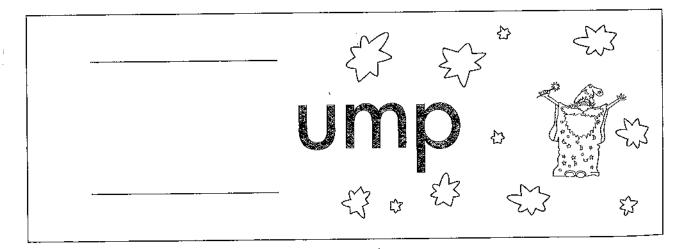




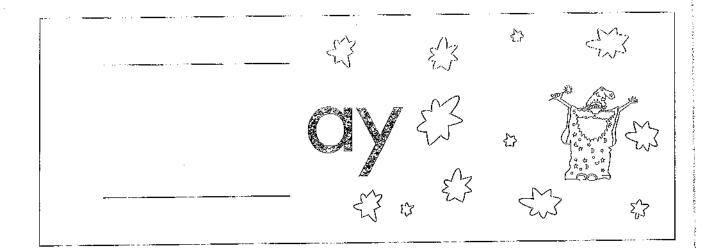


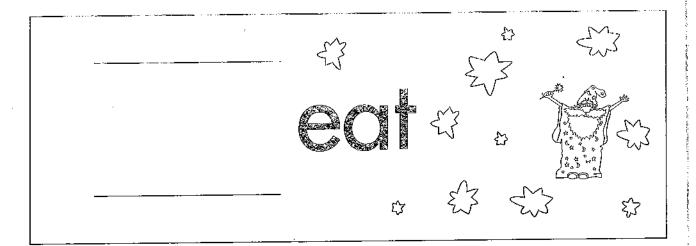


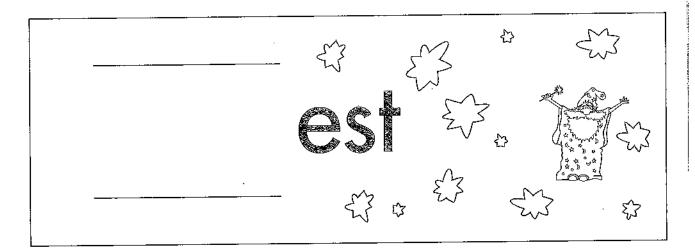


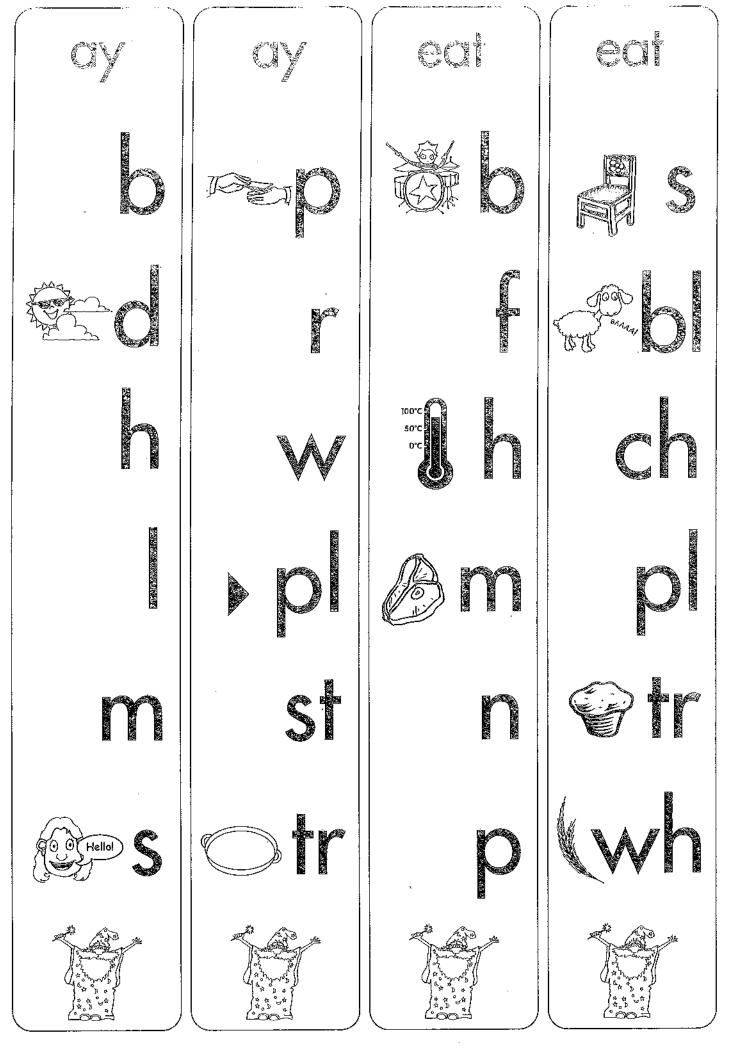


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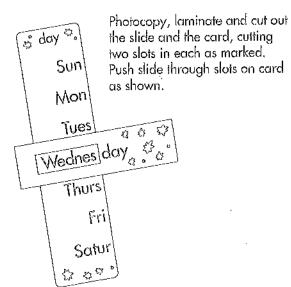


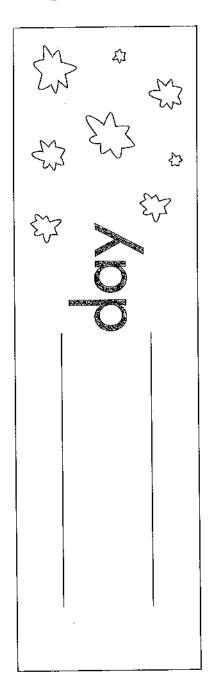


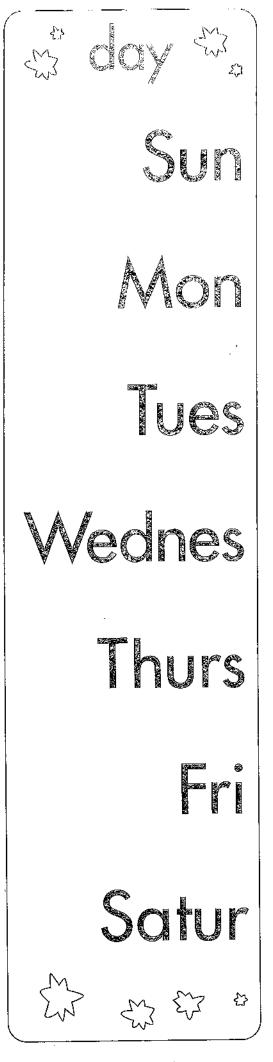




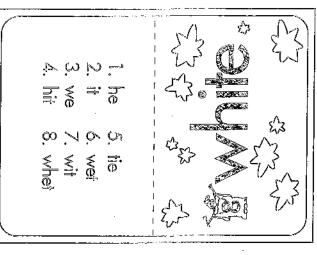
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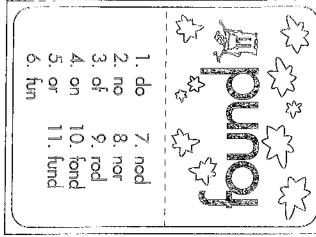


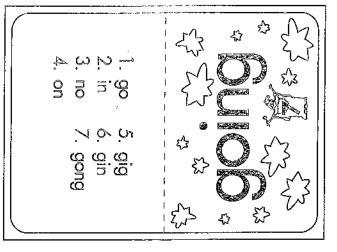


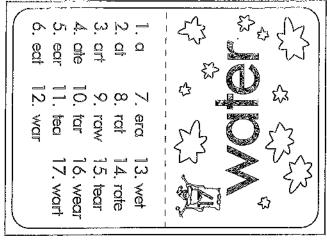


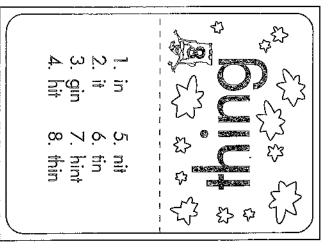


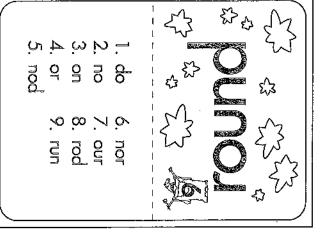


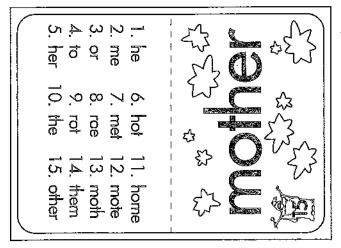


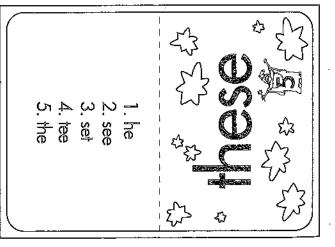




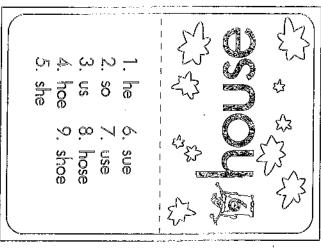


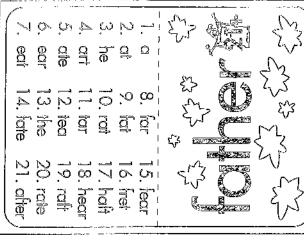


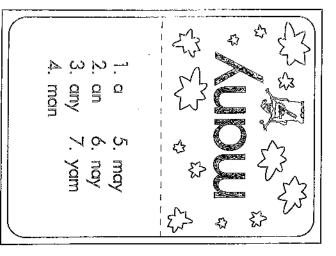


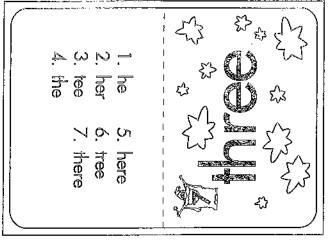


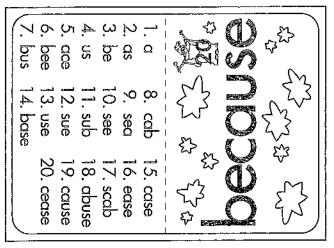


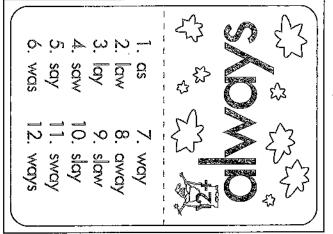


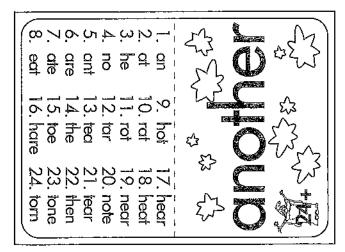


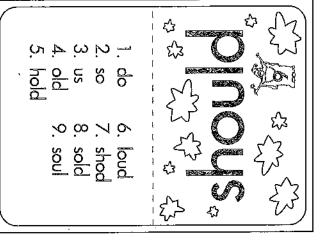








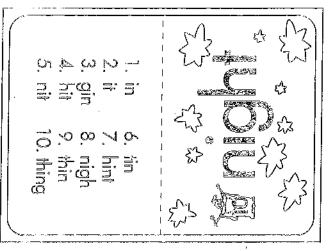


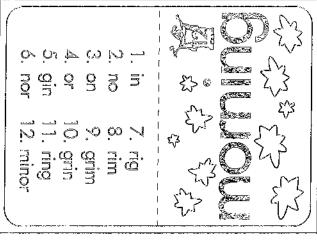


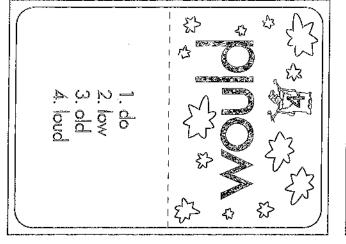
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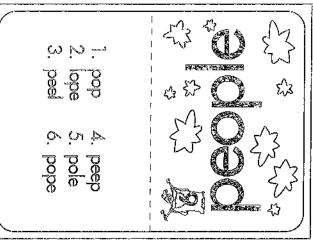


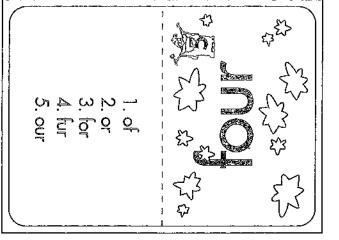
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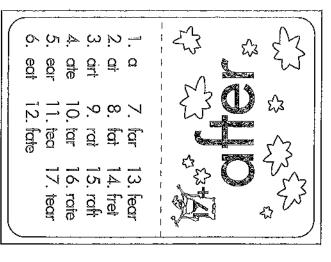


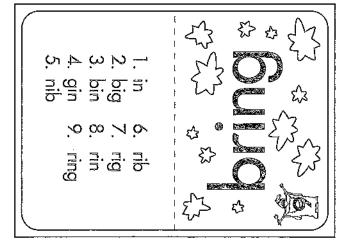


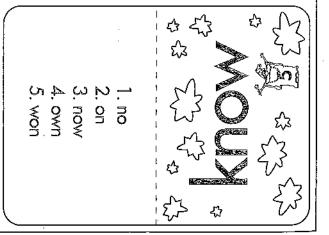












Homopiones

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Homophones are words that sound the same, or almost the same, but are spelt differently and have different meanings.

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Match and say the words that sound the same.

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Look up the meaning of each word in a dictionary.





Write the meanings in your own words.





Put each of the words in a sentence that shows the meaning.





Copy two sets of each sheet and play Magic Memory. To keep a matched pair, the player must use the word in a sentence that shows he/she knows the meaning of the word.





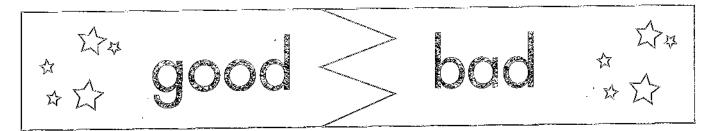
Make up sentences using the homophones and have a partner point to the correct word.

Write a story using as many homophones in it as possible.

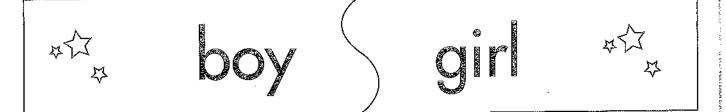
Dictate your story to a partner and see if they write the correct homophones. Use a set of homophones in one sentence. "Which witch is which?" "I knew that they were riding their new bikes,"

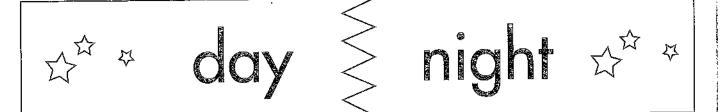
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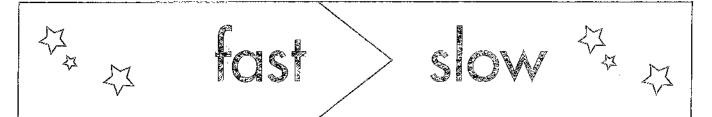


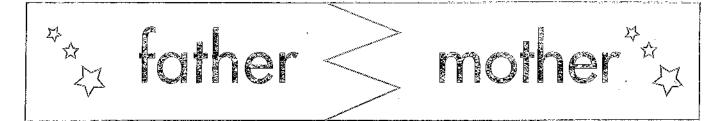


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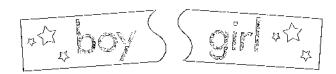
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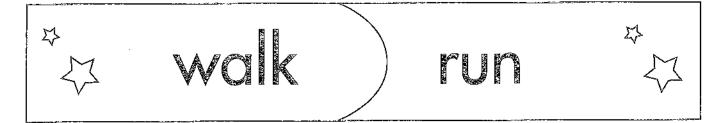
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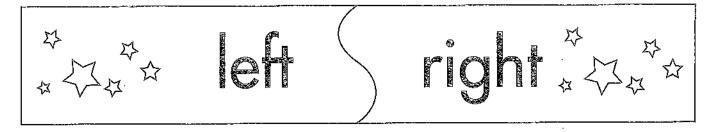


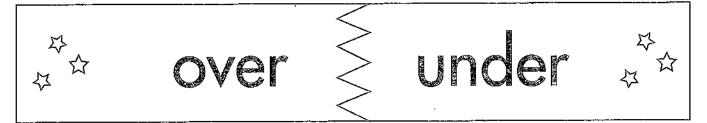
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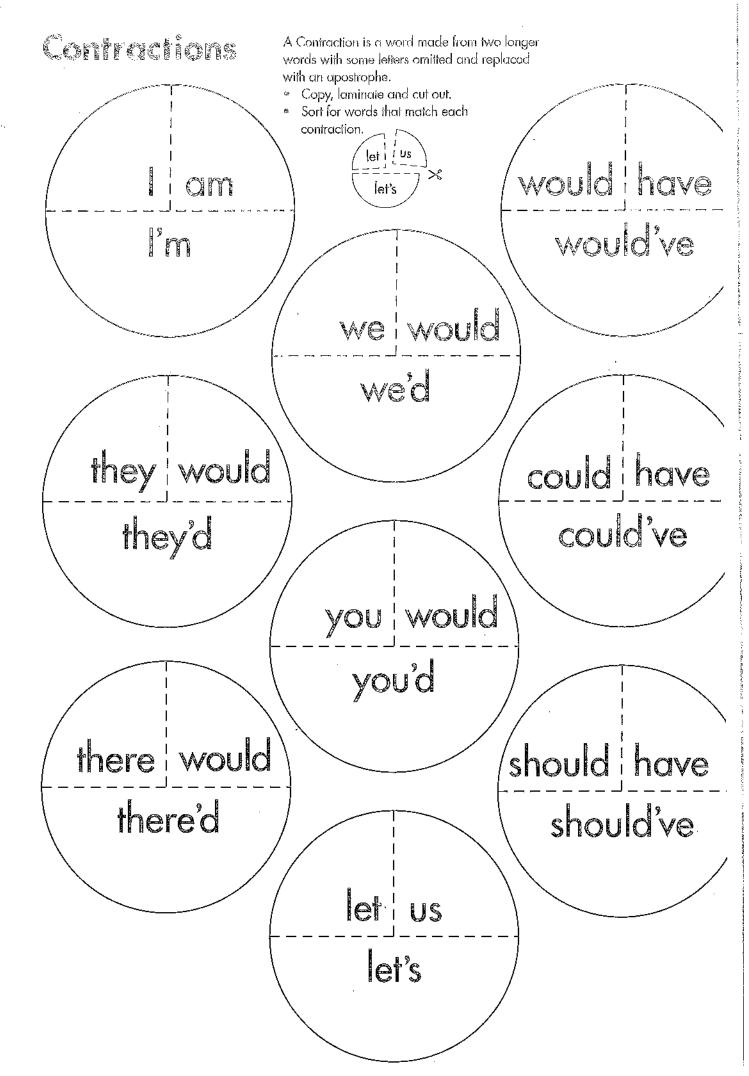


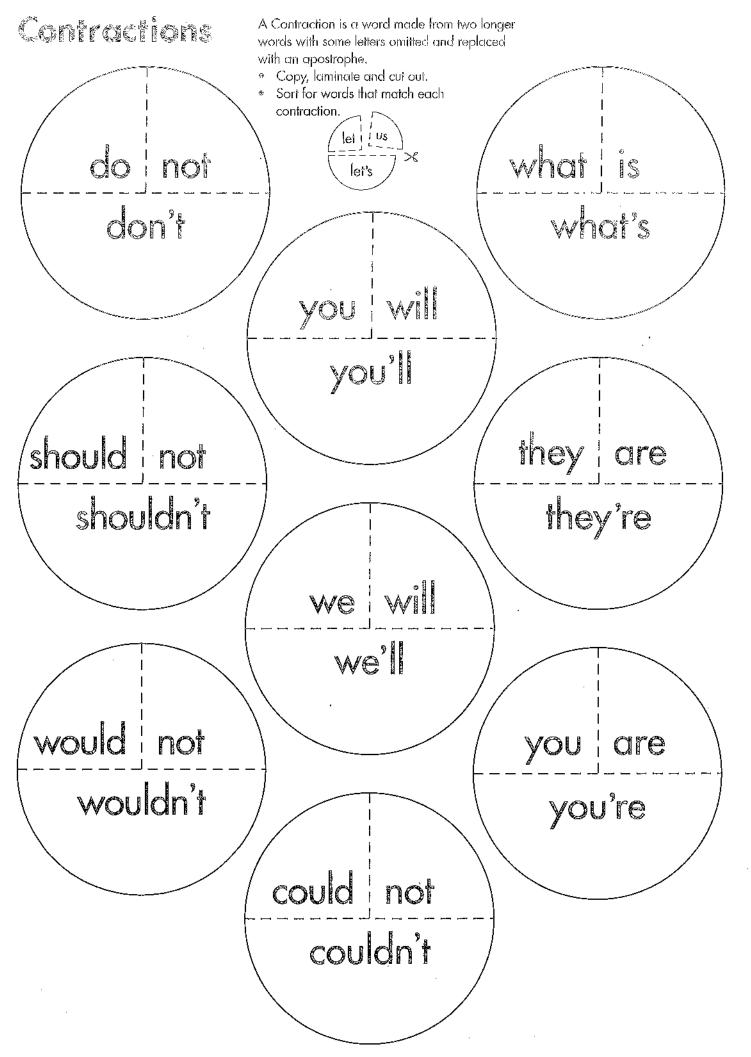
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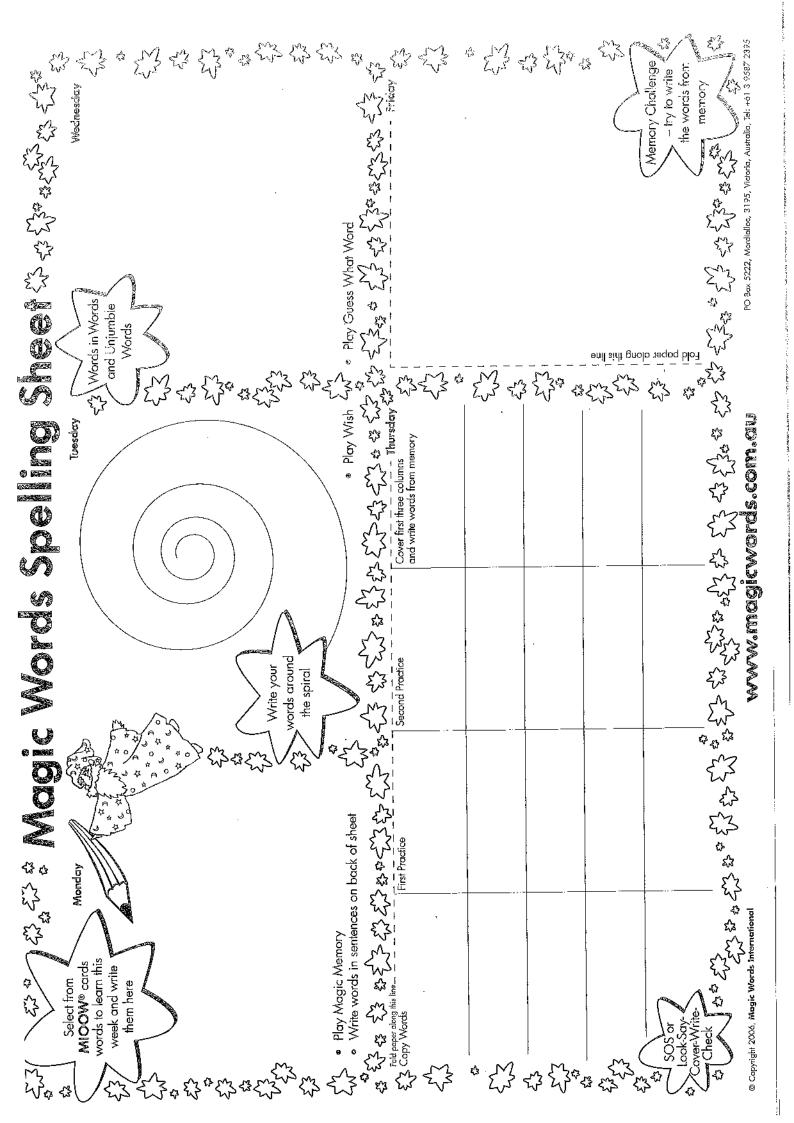
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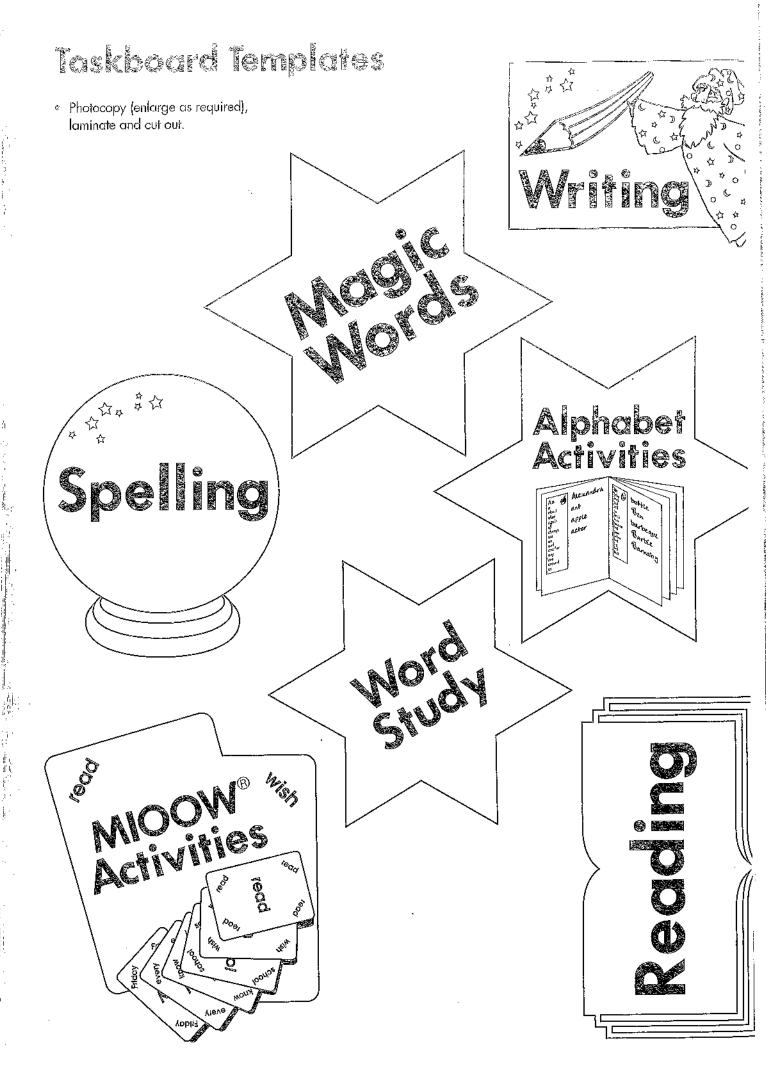
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MICOW[®] Nore Magic Words Recognition Test Instruction Sheet

The MIOOW® More Magic Words Recognition Test is an individually administered test to record a child's knowledge of the 101–200 most frequently used words in reading. The test sheet features 100 words divided into the levels set out in this manual.

The first 100 most frequently used words (1–100) are featured in the first manual, together with the MIOOW® Magic 100 Words Recognition Test. It is important that children know the first 100 most frequent words before beginning the next 100 words (101–200).

This manual features the next 100 words (101–200) which are divided into five equal levels of 20 words. Together with the first 100 words, these words make up, on average, two-thirds of all reading.

The record form has been designed for ease of administration and with the potential to gain practical, diagnostic information about a child's progress.

The test, in conjunction with other information about each child, can help teachers make decisions about the next teaching point and instructional groupings, and assist in building a rich picture about the learning needs of each child.

Administration and Scoring

The directions below for administering and scoring the MIOOW® More Magic Words Recognition Test should be carefully followed to obtain reliable and valid results.

Before Testing Commences

Ideally the person administering the test should be the person who will provide the subsequent teaching. A wealth of important information is gathered through careful observation and recording of a child's attempts, self corrections and responses. The person administering the test must be familiar with the words, the correct pronunciation, the test card layout, the record form and recording procedures.

Test Conditions

To ensure reliable and accurate results, it is important that each child is tested under the best conditions possible.

- a) As an individual test, it must be administered to one child at a time. The personal details should be recorded or updated on the record form before testing commences.
- **b)** Ideally, the test should be administered by the child's teacher.
- c) Testing should take place in a quiet room, free from loud noise, interruptions and distractions. The test can be administered within the classroom during class time if the appropriate test conditions are met.
- d) The child needs to feel comfortable and at ease before testing commences. A positive, friendly atmosphere will engender confidence and assist in obtaining the best score.

Administration of the Test

Step 1

Record the child's personal details.

Ensure the child is comfortable, relaxed and at ease before commencing.

Place the test sheet in front of the child and say:-

"This sheet has some words on it that we will be learning in reading and writing. I would like to see if you already know some of them."

For subsequent tests, say:-

"On this sheet are some of the important words in reading and writing. I think that you may know some of them already."

Step 2

The test sheet needs to be clearly visible on the table or may be held by the child. The words should be read from the top of the page and across each row. The child should not be asked to read from the record form.

The words are read until five consecutive words are missed or read incorrectly. The teacher will then say "Look at the other words on the sheet and tell me if you know any of them."

There is no time limit on the test, however each word must be read out loud and automatically to be correct. The teacher must not give hints or prompt the child. All attempts, self corrections or incorrect responses are recorded on the record form.

Recording

Words which are read automatically are marked with a tick (\checkmark) in the box beside the word. Record carefully all attempts, self corrections and incorrect responses, as this will provide valuable diagnostic information.

For unknown words, or if no attempt is made, mark "don't know" (**dk**) or use a dot (*). A pause can be recorded by a slash (/). Pauses of four different lengths may be recorded as / // ##.

As described in Step 2, after five consecutive errors, add the total number of words read correctly and enter the score in the appropriate box on the record form.

These results will determine the subsequent focus for planning and teaching of the Magic Words.

Re-testing

Evaluation forms a constant and continual part of any teaching program. Daily observations, reading, writing, word games and MIOOW® activities all inform the child and the teacher of the ever increasing bank of words. The Record Form has provision for re-testing at any time, however formal testing is best limited to once per term.



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Writing Browns's Record

Date & Evaluation Teaching & Learning Strategies Root word and (to, too, two)
Affixes (sow, was)
Suffixes Apostrophes Double letters Compound words Contractions Past tense Plurals Silent letters Consonants: Initial, Final Blends Cluster Diagraphs Schwa words Vowels:
Short, Long
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(at, ee, le, oa, ue)
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(by, my, very) High Frequency Words Affempt/Word Date & Writing Task

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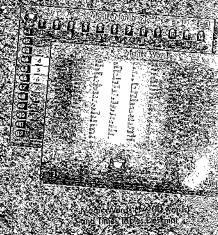
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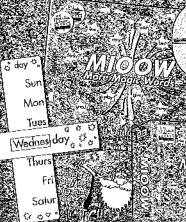
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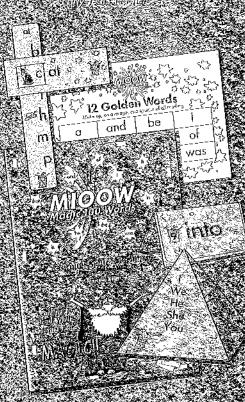


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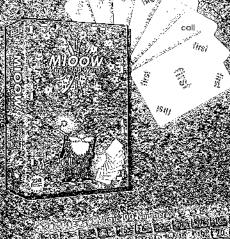
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