

Alpha-Phonics Homework

For Teachers using

Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics: A Primer for Beginning Readers

The Lessons taught in class are to be sent home each day for the students to read the words and sentences to their parents and copy on separate paper to be graded by the teacher.

Lesson 1: **ā**m, an, as, at, ax

Lesson 2: Sam, man, has, sat, tax

Lesson 3: am, Sam, an, man, as, has, at, sat, ax, tax. Sam sat. Sam has an ax.

Lesson 4: ad, dad, wax, Dan. Dan sat. Dad has wax.

Lesson 5: ad, had, dad, sad, Tad, mad; am, ham, dam, Sam; as, has, [was]; at, hat, sat, mat; ax, tax, wax, Max

Lesson 5: ad, am, an, as, at, ax; dad, dam, Dan; had, ham, has, hat; mad, man, mat, Max; sad, sat, Sam; Tad, tan, tax; was, wax

Lesson 6: Dad sat. Max has ham. Dan was tan. Was Sam tan? Has Dad an ax? Dad has an ax. Dan has wax. Sam was sad. Was Max mad? Tad was tan.

Lesson 7: and, hand, land, sand. Dan and dad had land and sand. Dan and Sam. Max and Tad. tax and wax. land and sand.

Lesson 8: **Ll**: Al, Hal, Sal; **Bb**: bad, ban, band, bat; **Cc**: cab, cad, Cal, cat, can; **Gg**: gab, gad, gag, gal, gas; **Ff**: fad, fan, fat, fax; **Jj**: jam, Jan, jab, jag; **Ll**: lab, lag, lad; **Nn**: nab, nag, Nat:

Lesson 9: **Pp**: pad, pal, Pam, pan, pat, Pat; **Rr**: rag, ram, ran, rap, rat; **Tt**: tab, Tab, Tad, tag, tan, tap, tax; **Vv**: Val, van, vat; **Ww**: wag, wax, [was]; **Yy**: yak, yam, yap; zag

Lesson 10: **ab**, cab, dab, gab, jab, lab, nab, tab; **ad**, bad, cab, cad, dad, fad, gad, had, lad, mad, pad, sad, Tad; **ag**, bag, gag, jag, lag, nag, rag, sag, tag, wag, zag; **ak**, yak; **Al**, Cal, gal, Hal, pal, Sal, Val; **am**, cam, dam, ham, jam, Pam, ram, Sam, yam; **an**, ban, can, Dan, fan, Jan, man, pan, ran, tan, van; **ap**, cap, lap, map, nap, rap, sap, tap, yap; **as**, gas, has, [was], bass, lass, pass; **at**, bat, cat, fat, hat, mat, Nat, pat, rat, sat, vat

Lesson 11: **ack**, back, hack, Jack, lack, Mack, pack, rack, sack, tack, yack, Zack; **qu**, quack

Lesson 12: a cat; a hat; a bat; a cap; a pan; a pal; a bag; a rag; a cab; a map

Lesson 13. Al can bat. Jack has a sack. Pam has a fat cat. Val has jam. Jan has a cap. Cal has a hat. Yaz can bat. Mack has a jazz band. Yaz can yack. Jack has a packsack. Can Yaz bat?

Lesson 14: (Read in class, a few every day, but do not send for homework. Nonsense syllables.)

Lesson 15: [Introductory to Short Vowels. Do not send home for homework. This can be skipped for handwriting. Mastery will come with future lessons.]

- Lesson 16: **eb**: Deb, web; **eck**: beck, deck, neck, peck; **Ed**: bed, fed, led, Ned, red, Ted, Wed; **eff**: Jeff; **eg**: egg, beg, keg, leg, Meg, peg; **ell**: bell, cell, dell, fell, jell, sell, tell, well, yell, [cell sell]; **em**: gem, hem; **en**: Ben, den, fen, hen, Jen, Ken, men, pen, ten, yen; **end**: bend, fend, lend, mend, rend, send, tend, wend; **ep**: hep, pep, rep; **es**: yes, Bess, less, mess; **et**: bet, get, jet, let, met, net, pet, set, vet, wet, yet; **ex**: Rex, Tex, vex.
- Lesson 17: Bess fed Jack an egg. Let Jeff tell Ben. Can Rex tell Pam. Deb had an egg. Dad let Ken get wet. Deb has a red pen. Send Len an ax. Lend Jen a pet. Ben has a jet. Rex fell. Tell Bess yes. Deb can yell. Ted has a cat as a pet. Get Jeff a keg. Tex and Len set a net. Bess has less. Ten men met.
- Lesson 18: (Read in class, a few every day, but do not send for homework. Nonsense words.)
- Lesson 19: **ib**: bib, fib, jib, rib; **ick**: Dick, hick, kick, lick, Mick, Nick, pick, quick, Rick, sick tick, wick; **id**: bid, did, hid, kid, lid, mid, rid, Sid; **if**: Jiff, miff, tiff; **ig**: big, dig, fig, gig, jig, pig, rig, wig, zig; **ill**: Bill, bill, dill, fill, gill, hill, Jill, mill, pill, quill, rill, sill, till, will; **im**: dim, him, Jim, rim, Tim, vim; **in**: bin, fin, kin, pin, sin, tin, win; **ip**: dip, hip, kip, Kip, lip, nip, pip, quip, rip, sip, tip, zip; **is**, his, sis; **iss**: hiss, kiss, miss; **it**: bit, fit, hit, kit, lit, pit, qit, sit, wit; **ix**: fix, mix, nix, six; **iz**: Liz, quiz, fizz; quick, quill, quip, quit, quiz; **Ph**: Phil, Philip.
- Lesson 20: Quick Rick, fix it. Tim bit his lip. Nick is a sick kid. Nick will get well. Will Bill kiss Jill? Will Bill tell Jill? Sid will miss his pet pig. His pig is big. Jim is big. His had fit him well. Phil hid hat. Jack hid his ham in his hat. Liz was sick and was fed in bed. Mix it, fi it, and quit it. Will Bill win? Yes, Bill will win? Is Jill ill? Yes, Jill is ill.
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Lesson 21: **th**: that, than, the, them, then, this; **th**: thin, this, **-th**: bath, math, path, Beth, with.

Lesson 22: That man has a cat. The cat is a big cat. The cat is a thin cat. This is his cat. This is Beth. Tell them that Rex is at bat. The cat is in the bag. Did Beth tell them that the cat is in the bag? Rick hid the bag with the cat. The cat ran. Let the cat dig in the sand. The pig ran with the cat. Dick ran with the bag in his hand. Phil was with Beth and Seth. Then Beth and Seth ran with the hen. Quick, get the thick net.

Lesson 23: **ob**: Bob, cob, gob, mob, rob, sob; **ock**: dock, hock, lock, mock, nock, pock, rock, sock; **od**: cod, God, mod, nod, rod, sod, Todd; **of**, [off]; **og**: cog, dog, fog, hog, log; **oll**: doll, loll; **om**: mom, Tom, pom; **on**, Don, Ron, [son, ton, won]; **op**: cop, hop, mop; pop, top; **ot**: cot, dot, got, hot, jot, lot, not, pot, rot, tot; **ox**: box, fox, box, lox, pox; pom-pom; Red Sox.

Lesson 24: The quick fox got on top of the box. The red hen fell in the bath and got wet. The Red Sox will win. Yaz will win. Tom is the son of Jack. The dog ran with the cat. The pot got hot. Is the dog in the box? The dog is not in the box. The dog is on top of the box. Bob and Don sat on the dock. Tell mom that Bob has the mop. That fox is in the big tin box. That box has a lock on it. Quick, lock the box. But the fox ran.

Lesson 25: cats, dogs, pets, wigs, pigs, pills, pots, pans, hands; kisses, boxes, taxes, foxes. Don's hat. Bob's dog. Jack's pet. Jill's cat.

Lesson 26: The man has ten cats and six dogs. Jill has six hens. Jim's pet pig is big. Don kisses his mom. Pam's cat is fat. Pat has ten pins. Jack has six boxes of eggs. Mom has ten pots and six pans. Rex's hat is red. The dog ran with the foxes. Val's dog was in the pen.

Lesson 27: **ub**: cub, dud, hub, pub, sub, tub; **ud**: bud, dud, mud; **ug**: bug, dug, hug, jug, lug, mug, rug, tug; **ull**: cull, dull, gull, hull [full, bull, pull]; **um**: bum, gum, hum, mum, sum, yum; **un**: bun, fun, gun, nun, pun, run, sun; **up**: cup, pup; **us**: bus, fuss, Gus, muss, pus; but, cut, gut, mutt, pun, run, sun, rut [put]; **ux**: lux; **uzz**: buzz, fuzz

Lesson 28: The dog dug in the mud and had fun. Tom's dad put the pup in the tub. Can Jack pull the big log up the hill? Jack and Jill ran up the hill. The red jug is full. The dog got mud on the rug. Bud's dog fell in the tub. Gus put the mug on the rug. Rick hugs his pup. The sun was up at six. The tub is full of mud. The bug dug in the rug. A big bull is in the pen. Val put the mud in the tub.

Lesson 28a: bad, dad, dab, bab; bed, deb, ded, beb; did, bid, bib, dib; bob, bod, dod, dob; dud, dub, bud, bub. (b/d practice for dyslexia)

Lesson 29: **sh**: ash, bash, cash, dash, gash, lash, mash, rash, sash, [wash]; mesh; dish, fish wish; gosh; gush, hush, mush, rush; [bush, push]; shack, shed, shell, shin, ship, shock, shop, shot, shun, shut

- Lesson 30: **ch**: chap, chat; check, chess; chick, chill, chin, chip; chop; chuck, chum; rich, much, such
- Lesson 31: **wh**: when, whack; which, shim, whiff, whip, whiz, [what]
- Lesson 32: cash, what, ship, rich, shut, dish, chill, wish, rush, when, dash, mush, chum, mash, chug, fish, chop, shop, much, rash, which, shell, when, chick, such, shed, shun, chip, shag, whim, chess, shock, chuck, shack, chug, what, chin, check, which, ash, shot, chap, whip, hush, whack
- Lesson 33: Don had fish and chips. Which dish is Dad's? Which dish has the fish in it? This dish is full of chips. Pam sat on the deck of the ship. Don has a chill. Bud has a rash. Rick has cash and is rich. Bud is his chum. His chin is thin. He hid the dish of fish in the shed. When will Jim shut the shop? The shop will shut at six. Chuck is in the shack. Dad has a chess set. Chuck will wash the ship. Pam will pull the dog off the ship. Did Bess check the shack? Bess did check the shack.
- Lesson 34: I am, You are, he is, she is; we are, they are, I have, You have, he has, she has, we have, they have; I was, you were, he was, she was, they were; I had, you had, he had, she had, we had, they had
- Lesson 35: I have a cat. She has a dog. We have a cat and a dog. They have six pets. You have a pet pig. Are you sick? No, I am well. She put the pup on the bed. The pets were in the tub. They were in the hut. He has a rash. Did you get sick? No, I did not get sick. Did she win? Yes, she won.
- Lesson 36: is not, isn't; can not, can't, has not, hasn't; it is, it's; let us, lets; did not, didn't
- Lesson 37: Is Bill sad? Bill isn't sad. Can they run? They can't run. Is this Peg's dog? This isn't Peg's dog. Let's run. Has Peg a cat? Peg hasn't a cat. Did Jill run? Jill didn't run. Let's not jog. Let's run.
- Lesson 38: hotdog, boxtop, zigzag, catnip, ticket, helmet velvet, tomcat, gallop, lesson, napkin, tidbit, habit, rapid, gallon, candid, basket, bonnet, tonic, magic, unfit, goblin, robin, chapel, picnic, kidnap, linen, visit, rabbit, nitwit, vivid, civil, Nixon, lentil, pencil, eggnog, comet, puppet, upset, locket, mimic, public, suntan, sudden, hatbox, sunset, hatrack, bashful, dental, until, vomit, husband, wagon, exit, Philip, rivet, within, Calvin, tablet, packet, rocket, socket, vanish, panel, Japan, rascal, cactus, camel, Kevin, Karen, ribbon, radish, mascot, combat, Patrick, relish, lemon, pocket, traffic, bobcat, signal, limit, liquid, satin, tunnel, ribbon jacket, padlock
- Lesson 39: Jill has a picnic basket full of hotdogs and relish. Philip has a suntan. Kevin is a rascal. Karen and Ken will visit dad. Calvin put the pencil in his jacket pocket. Bill's mascot is a rabbit. Don put a red ribbon on his cat's neck. Mom has a red satin bonnet. Peg's husband has a wagon. The camel sat on the cactus. Pam can mimic a puppet. Deb has a red velvet sash. Jim has a gallon of lemon tonic. Let's visit Patrick's dad. A vivid sunset.
- Lesson 40: Al, Cal, gal, Hal, pal; all, ball, call, fall, gall, hall, mall, pall, tall, wall
Cal's pal Tim is tall. Did Hal fall? Cal has the ball. Cal hit the ball with the bat. Philip sat on the wall. His jacket is in the hall. Call Cal. Tell Cal that his ball is in the hall. Is the ball in his jacket pocket? Yes, it is.

- Lesson 41: **ang**: bang, dang, gang, hang, pang, rang, sang; **ing**: bing, ding, king, ping, ring, sing, wing, zing; **ong**: bong dong, gong, pong, long, song; hung, **ung**: lung, rung, sung; ding-dong, Hong-Kong, wing-ding, wing-song, ping-pong; Deb sang a song. Ron rang the bell. The gang sang. Tim is in Hong Kong. **ing**: Washington; dad, dabbing; gab, gabbing, rob, robbing; pack, packing; pick, picking; lock, locking; bid, bidding; kid, kidding; dig, digging; rig, rigging; call, calling; fall, falling; sell, selling; yell, yelling; chill, chilling; will, willing; bang, banging; hang, hanging; ring, ringing; sing, singing; run, running; sun, sunning; nap, napping; tap, tapping; chip, chipping; chop, chopping; ship, shipping; fish, fishing; wish, wishing; wash, washing; rush, rushing; pass, passing; toss, tossing; fit, fitting; quit, quitting; fix, fixing; mix, mixing.
- Lesson 42: Jan is singing a song. Bill is ringing the bell. Peg is getting all wet. Rick is kicking the ball. The cat is licking his leg. Bob is calling his dog. Jack is yelling at Jill. Pat is packing his bag. Cal is passing the ball. Chuck is fixing the shack. Meg is petting the cat. Is mom shopping at the mall? Dad is chopping with his ax. Jill is napping on the bed. Bess is washing her doll. Philip is dabbing at the sand. Was Kim digging in the mud?
- Lesson 43: **nd**: and, band, hand, land, sand, [wand]; bend, fend, lend, mend, rend, send, tend; wind; bond, fond, pond; fund; **nt**: ant, pant, rant [want]; bent, cent, dent, gent, Kent, lent; pent, rent, sent, tent, vent, went; **int**: hint, lint, mint, tint; **unt**: bunt, hunt, punt, runt
- Lesson 44: Bill is mending his tent. Kent went hunting. Jack went with Kent. Bob lent Ann his fishing rod. Ann is fishing at the pond. Bob wants his rod back. Bob went to the pond. Jill is fond of Philip. Phillip sent Jill a bag of mints. The cat sat on the anthill. Beth is running in the wind. Kent is in the band. Mom will mend Pam's socks.
- Lesson 45: **er**: her, letter, better, hunter, lender, sender, butter, tender, chatter, bigger, summer, winter, sister
Butter is better. Ken has a sister. Her hat is better. Bill sent a letter. Her dad is a hunter. Summer is better than winter
- Lesson 46: **nk**: hank, Hank, lank, rank, sank, tank, yank, ink, kink, link, pink, rink, sink, wink, honk, bunk, dunk, hunk, junk; **nc**: zinc; **nch**: ranch, bench, inch, finch, pinch, bunch, hunch, lunch, munch, punch.
- Lesson 47: Hank put cash in the bank. Bob put gas in the tank. Beth put the dish in the sink. Bill had a bunch of junk. Dan sat on a bench. Dad has a ranch. Tim had lunch with Bess. Bev had punch with her lunch. Pam has a top bunk.
- Lesson 48: **ct**: act, fact, pact, tact, duct; **ft**: aft, raft, left, gift, lift, rift, sift, loft, soft; **pt**: apt, kept, wept; **xt**: next, text.
Bill goat raft as a gift. He left his raft at the pond. The raft is big. Can Bill lift the raft? The fact is that he can't. But Jack and Bill can lift the raft. Ann got a gift. Jan will get the next gift. Can Beth act? Yes, she can. Liz will sift the sand.

- Lesson 49: **sk**: ask, bask, cask, mask, task, desk, disk, risk, dusk, rusk, whisk; **sp**: asp, gasp, rasp, lisp, cusp; **st**: cast, fast, last, mast, past, vast, best, jest, lest, nest, pest, test, rest, vest, west, zest, chest, quest, fist, gist, list, mist, cost, lost, bust, gust, just, must, rust.
Jim sat at his desk. Jill will pass the test. Beth did her best. Bill went west. Bob did his task. Hank can run fast. The metal chest was full of rust.
- Lesson 50: **lb**: bulb; **ld**: held, meld, weld, [bald]; **lf**: elf, self, golf, gulf, shelf, [calf, half]; **lk**: milk, silk, bulk, sulk, [talk, walk]
- Lesson 51: **lm**: elm, helm, film; **lp**: gulp, help, kelp, yelp, pulp; **lt**: belt, felt, melt, pelt, welt, hilt, jilt, wilt, quilt, [halt, malt, salt]
- Lesson 52: **mp**: camp, damp, lamp, champ, limp, chimp, romp, chomp, bump, dump, hump, jump, lump, pump, sump, chump
- Lesson 53: **tch**: catch, hatch, match, patch, [watch]; itch, ditch, pitch, witch; etch, fetch, retch; botch, notch, Dutch, hutch.
Jack has an itch. Dad lit a match. Dad has a watch. Bess has a lamp. The cat is in a ditch at the dump. Can the cat catch a fish? Bill will pitch his tent at the camp.
- Lesson 54: **dge**: badge, Madge, edge, hedge, wedge, ridge, dodge, lodge, budge, fudge, judge, nudge hodge-podge; **nge**: binge, singe, tinge, lunge.
The cat sat at the edge of the sink and did not budge.
- Lesson 55: **nce**: dance, chance, fence, hence, mince, since, dunce [once]; **nse**: dense, sense, tense, rinse. The cat sat on the fence. The fog is dense.
- Lesson 56: match, milk, left, ring, dust, dish, belt, pest, cast, fudge, kept, pink lung, desk, last, lost, melt, catch, bulb, bench, bath, jump, elm, tint, rinse, edge, bank, act, ink, help, much, next, patch, hunt, west, sing, camp, itch, gasp, kept, went, half, weld dance, with, hint, pitch, rich, rust, fast, test, elf, fist, witch, fond, send, bend, fence, ranch, once.
- Lesson 57: contest, sandwich, selfish, rubbish, polish, dentist, absent, punish, shoplift, after, object, dustpan, conduct, bathmat, finish, consent, chopstick, hodgepodge
- Lesson 58: **bl**: blab, black, blanch, bland, blank, blast, bled, blend, bless, blimp, blink, blip, bliss, blob, block, blond, blot, blotch, bluff, blunt, bush; **br**: Brad, brag, bran, branch, brand, brash, brass, bred, brick, bridge, brig, brim, bring, brink, brisk, broth, Bronx, brunch, brunt, brush.
- Lesson 59: **cl**: clad, clam, clamp, clan, clank, clap, clash, clasp, class, cleft, clench, click, cliff, clinch, cling, clip, clock, clod, clog, clop, clot, cloth, club, cluck, clump, clung, clutch; **cr**: crab, crack, craft, cram, cramp, crank, crash, crass, crept, cress, crest, crib, crick, crimp, crisp, crock, crop, cross, crunch, crush, crutch, crux.
- Lesson 60: **dr**: drab, draft, drag, dram, drank, dredge, drench, dress, drift, drill, drink, drip, drop, drudge, drug, drum; **dw**: dwell, dwelt.
- Lesson 61: **fl**: flab, flack, flag, flank, flap, flash, flat, flax, fleck, fled, flesh, flick, flinch, fling, flint, flip, flock, flog, flop, flub, fluff, flung, flunk, flush.
- Lesson 62: **gl**: glad, glance, gland, glass, glen, glib, glint, glitch, glob, glop, glum, gut; **gr**: grab, graft, gram, grand, grant, grasp, grass, Greg, grid, grill, grim, grin, grip, grit, grub, grudge, gruff, runt; **gw**: Gwen

- Lesson 63: **pl**: plan, plank, plant, pledge, plop, pluck, plug, plum, plump, plus, plush; **pr**: prance, prank, prep, press, prick, prim, prince, print, prod, prom, prompt, prong, prop.
- Lesson 64: **sl**: slab, slack, slag, slam, slant, slap, slash, slat, sled, sledge, slept, slick, slid, slim, sling, slink, slip, slop, slosh, slot, sluff, slug, slum, slump, slung, slush.
- Lesson 65: **shr**: shrank, shred, shrill, shrimp, shrink, shrub, shrunk; **sm**: smack, small, smash, smell, smog, smudge, smug; **sn**: snack, snag, snap, snick, sniff, snip, snub, snuck, snug.
- Lesson 66: **sp**: spam, span, spank, spat, speck, sped, spell, spend, spent, spill, spin, spit, spot, spud, spunk; **spl**: splash, splint, slit, splotch; **spr**: sprang, spring, sprung, sprig, sprint
- Lesson 67: **st**: stab, stack, staff, stag, stamp, Stan, stand, stank, stash, stem, step, stick, stiff, still, stilt, sting, sting, stock, stomp, stop, stub, stuck, stud, stuff, stung, stump, stunt; **str**: strand strap, string, strip, strum, strut
- Lesson 68: **sw**: swam, swell, swept, swift, swim, swing, swish, Swiss, switch, switch [swan, swamp]; **sc**: scab, scalp, scam, scamp, scan, scant, scuff; **sk**: skid, skill, skim, skimp, skin skip, skit, skunk; **scr**: scam, scrap, scratch, scrimp, script, scrod, scrub, scrunch.
- Lesson 69: **tr**: track, tram, trance, trap, trash, trek, trench, trend, trick, trim, trip, trod, trot, truck, trudge, trump, trunk, trust; **thr**: thrall, thrash, thresh, thrift, thrill, throb, throng, thrush, thrust; **tw**: twang, twelve, twig, twill, twin, twist, twit, twitch.
- Lesson 70: truck, skip, swift, quick, grudge, glass, blond, fudge, dump, task, sash, lisp, clasp, dwell, clap, slack, spring, witch, smash, string, jump, then, spun, slosh, shrimp, shack, plum, prom, frill, flag, cliff, crux, draft, chest, bridge, edge, golf, elm, bless, scant, scrunch, thrush bless, Dutch, with, pest, dish, bank, king, fond, act, lift, left, kept, trick, France, hitch next, lunch, flash, twist, strand, scuff
- Lesson 71: God bless this land. The cat sat still. Bill had fudge with his lunch. Patrick drank a glass of milk. Gwen put cash in the bank. Pam had a stiff neck. Kenneth had shrimp for lunch. The king of France was plump. Frank is a prince. The bus stop is on the bridge. His skin has an itch. Stan put the trash in the basket. Fred sat on the grass. The frog swam in the swamp. A frog can jump and swim. A skunk can jump and skip. A swift skunk stunk. Madge had a strand of gems. The clock struck twelve. The truck got stuck in the mud.
- Lesson 72: at – ate; hat – hate; fat – fate; mat – mate; rat – rate; Al – ale, pal – pale, Sal – sale; gal – gale; fad – fade; mad – made; man – mane; Jan – Jane; van – vane; cap – cape; gap – gape

- Lesson 73: **abe**: Abe, babe; **ace**: ace, face, lace, pace, race, brace, grace, place, space, trace; **ade**: ade, fade, made, wade, blade, glade, grade, shade, spade, trade; **afe**: safe; **age**: age, cage, page, rage, sage, wage, stage; **ake**: bake, cake, fake, Jake, lake, make, quake, rake, sake, take, wake, brake, drake, flake, shake, snake, stake, [ache]; **ale**: ale, bale, dale, hale, male, pale, sale, tale, scale, stale, whale; **ame**: came, dame, fame, game, lame, name, same, tame, blame, flame, frame, shame; **ane**: cane, Dane, Jane, lane, mane, pane, sane, crane, plane; **ape**: ape, cape, gape, tape, drape, scrape, shape; **are**: bare, care, dare, fare, hare, mare, rare, ware, blare, flare, glare, scare, share, snare, spare, square, stare, [are]; **ase**: base, case, chase; **ate**: date, fate, gate, hate, Kate, late, mate, rate, crate, plate, skate, slate, state; **ave**: cave, Dave, gave, pave, rave, save, wave, brave, crave, shave, slave, [have]; **aze**: daze, gaze, maze, blaze, craze, glaze, graze.
- Lesson 74: Jane can bake a cake. When will Kate wake up and take a bath? Dave has an ache in his hand. Bill's rabbit is in a cage. Dave came, but Kate is late. Dave has a date with Kate. Jane ate the cake. When will Dave shave his face? Jack fell in the lake. Can Dave save Jack? Yes, Dave is brave. Dave gave Kate a locket. This place is safe. The cat hid in the cave. His name is Jake. Kate gave Jane the date of the game. Abe's face is pale. Beth ate a grape.
- Lesson 75: **ai** = /ā/: **aid**: aid, laid, maid, paid, raid, braid, [said]; **ail**: ail, bail, fail, Gail, hail, jail, mail, nail, pail, quail, rail, tail, frail, sail, snail, trail; **aim**: aim, claim; **ain**: Cain gain, lain, main, pain, rain, vain, brain, drain, grain, plain, slain, Spain, stain, strain, train, [again, against]; **air**: air, fair, hair, pair, chair, Clair, stair; **ait**: bait, wait, trait
- Lesson 76: Clair paid ten cents at the gate. Gail will wait in the rain for the train. If the train is late, Gail will take a bus. In Spain the rain falls on the plain. Cain is waiting at the main gate. If the train is late, take a plane. "Fish or cut bait," said Bill. Gail will wash her hair. Jane is trimming her nails. "If it rains, take the train," said Dave. "It is raining," said Kate. "Wait for Jane," said Dave. But Kate did not wait in the rain. The mail is late. Spring is in the air.
- Lesson 77: **ay** = /ā/: bay, day, Fay, hay, Jay, Kay, lay, may, nay, pay, ray, say, way, clay, gray, play, stay, slay, spray, tray, sway, stray; **ey** = ā: hey, grey, obey, they,
- Lesson 78: Can Fay play with Kay? They say that Fay may play with Kay. Jay will play a game with Kay. Fay will stay with Kay all day. Jay fell in the hay. They went that way. They came late that day. The day was grey.
- Lesson 79: **ei**=/ā/: rein, vein, veil, heir, their, beige; **eigh** = /ā/: weigh, sleigh, eight, eighth, weight, freight, reign, [height]
Bill is eight, Jack has eight cents. Kay's hat has a veil. Dave ate eight cakes. The freight train came. Can they weigh the freight? Yes, they can weigh the freight on a scale. They will play with their game. Dave and Kay are on the eighth day of the game.
- Lesson 80: face, pain, way, plate, cage, space, scrape, paid, chair, their, tail, vale, veil, dare, brave, brain, gate, vein, fake, stain, care, brake, main, flame, rain, rein, grade, cake, day, weigh, play, they, say, ache, jay, mail, ate, hate, quake, trail, age, wait, made, shade, ale, take, ail, raid, eight, vain, vein, freight, eighth, beige.

- Lesson 81: vale, veil, vail; rain, rein, reign; vain, vein, vane; main, mane, mein; hail, hale; ate, eight; made, maid; tale, tail; male, mail; wait, weight; way, weigh.
- Lesson 82: payday, railway, airplane, spaceship, away, engage, waitress, raining, enslave, grateful, explain, complain, mailman, chairman, embrace, tailgate, playmate
- Lesson 83: **au**: Maud, fraud, haul, maul, Paul, Saul, fault, vault, daunt, flaunt, gaunt, haunt, jaunt, taunt, haunch, launch, staunch, [aunt], sauce, cause, clause, pause, taut, gauze, **aw**: awe, jaw, law, raw, saw, claw, draw, flaw, thaw, slaw, straw, hawk, bawl, brawl, crawl, draw, fawn, lawn, pawn, yawn, brawn, drawn.
- Lesson 84: Paul saw a spot on Saul's jaw. Paul saw Maud sitting on the lawn. The cat cut her paw. Paul drank his milk with a straw. The dawn came at six o'clock.
- Lesson 85: ma, pa, father, ha-ha, mama, papa; **ar**: arc, ark, arm, art; bar, car, far, jar, mar, tar, scar, star; arch, march, starch; barb, garb, bard, card, hard, lard, yard; barge, charge, large, Marge; ark, bark, dark, hark, lark, mark, park, Clark, shark, spark, stark; scarf, snarl; arm, farm, harm, charm; barn, darn, tarn, yarn; carp, harp, sharp; art, cart, dart, mart, part, tart, chart, smart, start; carve, starve; [war, ward; warm, warmth, swarm; warn, warp, wart], [quart], [dwarf], wharf]
- Lesson 86: Mark has a red car. "Park the car in the yard," said Art. Pam has a big jar of jam. Beth has part in a play. Mark's farm has a barn. Father went far away on the plane. It is dark in the park. "Start the car," said ma. The dog will bark in the dark. Pa's yard is full of junk. If Mark's arm has an itch, scratch it. Beth has a ball of yarn. "If it rains, put the cart in the barn," said father. The shark ate the small fish. Clark and Mart are smart. Marge drank a quart of milk. Paul and Art will play cards. Mark can take his car apart.
- Lesson 87: **ee** = /ē/: bee, Dee, fee, gee, Lee, see, flee, free, glee, three, tree, [knee]; **eech**: breech, speech; **eed**: deed, feed, heed, need, reed, seed, weed, bleed, breed, creed, freed, greed, speed; **eef**: beef, reef; **eek**: leek, meek, peek, seek, week, cheek, creek Greek, sleek; **eel**: eel, feel, heel, keel, peel, reel, steel, wheel, [kneel]; **eem**: deem, seem, teem; **een**: teen, keen, seen, green, queen, screen, [been]; **eep**: beep, deep, jeep, keep, peep, weep, creep, sheep, sleep, steep, sweep; **eer**: deer, jeer, peer, veer, cheer, sneer, steer; **eet**: beet, feet, meet, greet, sheet, sweet, tweet; **eeth**: teeth; **eece**: fleece, Greece; **eese**: geese, cheese; **eeve**: peeve, sleeve; **eeze**: breeze, freeze, sneeze, tweeze, wheeze; [be, he, me, we, she]
- Lesson 88: I can see the tree. Can the tree see me? She is a queen. Is she the queen of Greece? Yes, she is the Greek queen. We ate beef this week. Lee came in a jeep. Will they sweep the street this week? They will sweep the street at three. He is free at three o'clock. I have seen the queen. Lee will greet the queen. Dee and cheer the queen. We ate cheese this week. She ate cheese and beef. "Meet me next week," she said. The deer was in a deep sleep. He was sleeping in the breeze. Lee was on his knee fixing the jeep.

- Lesson 89: **ea** = /ē/: pea, sea, tea, flea plea; each, beach, peach, reach, teach, bleach, preach; bead, lead, read, plead; leaf, sheaf, bleak, leak, peak, weak, sneak, speak, streak; deal, heal, meal, peal, real, seal, teal, veal, zeal, steal; beam, seam, team, cream, dream, gleam, steam, stream; bean, Jean, lean, mean, clean; heap, leap, reap, cheap; ear, dear, fear, gear, hear, near, rear, tear, year, clear; leash; east, beast, feast, least, yeast; eat, feat, feat, heat, meat, neat, peat, seat, cheat, treat, wheat; peace; ease, cease, lease, tease, crease, grease, please; breathe; eave, leave, heave, weave. [sweat, threat, sweater], [realm, dealt], [bear, pear, tear, wear, swear], [dead, head, lead, read, bread, breath, deaf, meant], [steak, break, great]
- Lesson 90: Jean had a dream. She put cream in her tea. Jean ate a meal of veal, peas, bread, and tea. Then she ate a peach. The peach was sweet. Bill is at sea. The sea is in the east. The beach is neat and clean. Jean sat in her seat. The seat is near the rear. Bill is on the team this year. The dog has fleas. The cat is neat and clean. When will we reach the beach? Steak will be great. Let's break for steak. Jean will read "The Seal Had Zeal."
- Lesson 91: **e-e** = /ē/ gene, scene; [there, where], here, mere, [were]; eve, Steve, Swede, Pete, these, [eye].
Where is Steve? Steve is here. Where were Pete and Steve? Pete and Steve were here. Here is where they were. Where were they? They were here and there. "Sit here, not there," said Steve. Steve and Jean were at the beach. The sun was in Steve's eyes. Steve had a tear in his eye. Eve has green eyes.
- Lesson 92: **ie** = /ē/: brief, chief, grief, thief; field, yield, wield, shield, pier, tier, fierce, pierce, fiend, piece, siege; Jackie, Lassie, Debbie, Minnie, Vinnie, Bonnie, Connie, Ronnie; [friend, receive, seize]
Debbie and Ronnie sat on the pier. Jackie is Connie's friend. Vinnie and Ronnie are friends. Lassie ran in the field. The thief ran away. Vinnie will seize the thief. The heat from the sun is fierce. Bonnie shields her eyes from the sun. Connie has a niece. Her name is Minnie.
- Lesson 93: **y** = /ē/: Abby, Tabby, Libby, lobby, Debby, baby; daddy, caddy, paddy, Teddy, muddy, study; taffy, daffy, jiffy, puffy, stuffy; baggy, saggy, Maggy, foggy, Peggy, muggy, Twiggy; Billy, Sally, silly, Molly, Polly, chilly, daily; mammy, mommy, mummy, tummy, Tommy, Timmy, Jimmy, Sammy; happy, pappy, peppy, poppy, puppy; Danny, Denny, Lanny, Benny, Jenny, Lenny, Kenny, penny, bunny, funny, sunny; [money, any, many]; Harry, carry, Barry, Perry, Terry, merry, hurry, sorry, Gary, marry, berry, cherry, very, furry, worry; messy, sissy, fussy, easy; [busy]; hazy, lazy, crazy, dizzy, fuzzy; [key]; Billy, Sally, silly, Molly, Polly, chilly, daily; Betty, batty, catty, fatty, city, nutty, pity; [petty]; candy, handy, sandy
- Lesson 94: Billy was silly. Taffy was daffy, Mommy was happy, Daddy was happy. Danny ate candy. Kenny felt dizzy. The lobby was stuffy. The day was hot and muggy. The bunny is funny. Larry is dizzy. Debbie is pretty. Jerry is in a hurry. The day is chilly and foggy. Perry is sorry. Gary hasn't any money. The city is hilly. The day was sunny. Daddy was busy. The baby was fussy. Can Perry carry Barry?

- Lesson 95: baby, babies; berry, berries; city, cities; puppy, puppies; penny, pennies; marry, marries; lobby, lobbies, cherry, cherries; bunny, bunnies; candy, candies; hurry, hurries; study, studies
- Lesson 96: tea, week, fear, niece, beet, see, dear, year, here, niece, greet, these, sleep, easy, jeep, tree, he, key, please, gear, near, thief, mean, we, leaf, queen, reach, sweet, sea, field, she, study, Pete, treat, need, eve, leap, eel, ease, clear, city, beach, read, tease, feel, peace, seat, breeze, street.
- Lesson 97: The street is neat and clean. Lee's feet need rest. Peggy feels very sleepy. "Meet me at the beach," Betty said. Where is the beach? The beach is near the city. "Please teach me to read." Pete said to his teacher. There is a breeze near the sea. We can sleep on the beach and feel the sea breeze. There are trees near the sea. There are three peach trees in the field near Berry Street," Said gene. Steve can reach a peach. The berries are sweet. "For Pete's sake, hurry up," said Jean. We will be back at the beach next week. "Did Lee hear me?" asked Billy. "Where are the keys?" asked Penny. Steve will pick the cherries from the tree. It is easy to read this page.
- Lesson 98: **i** = /i/: I am. I can. I take, I had, I ran. I have. **y** = i: by, my, cry, dry, fly, fry, pry, shy, sky, sly, spry, spy, sty, try, why; **ie** = i: die, lie, pie, tie; [buy, guy]. I will dry my wet tie. "I cannot tell a lie," said Terry. "I will try to do better," said John. Why did the big guy cry? Jack's dad will fly in the plane to Spain. She had cherry pie for lunch. "Can you tie the bowl on my dress?" Connie asked. "I will fry an egg for Timmy," said Mom.
- Lesson 99: **i-e** = /i/: **ice**: ice, dice, lice, mice, nice, rice, vice, price, slice, spice, twice; **ibe**: bribe, tribe; **ide**: bide, hide, ride, side, tide, wide, bride, glide, slide, stride; **ife**: life, wife, strife, [knife]' **ile**: file, mile, Nile, pike. Tile, smile, while, [isle, aisle]; **ime**: dime, lime, mime, time chime, crime, grime, slime; **ine**: dine, fine, line, mine, nine, pine, vine wine, shine, spine, swine, thine, twine, shrine, whine; **ipe**: pipe, ripe, wipe, gripe, swipe, stripe; **ire**: fire, hire, mire, tire, wire, spire; **ite**: bite, kite, mite, quite, site, spite, sprite, trite, white; **ive**: dive, five, **ive**, jive, live, chive, drive, strive, [give, live]; **ise**: rise, wise; **ize**: size, prize.
I like red berry ice cream. I can ride my bike to the pike. I will fly my kite at the beach. We ate a slice of pie. I will strive to do my best. We will strive to run a mile each day. Danny will fix the tire on his bike. Jenny has a pretty smile. "Let's play hide and seek," said Jake. What time is it? It is five o'clock. Mike likes to ride his bike. Tim likes to drive his car. They won a nice price at the fair. Jean is Jack's wife. Her doll can cry like a baby. Mom and Jan like plain rice, but Dad likes spice on his rice. "I feel fine," Betty said.
- Lesson 100: **igh** = /i/: high, sigh, thigh; fight, light, might, night, right, sight; tight, bright, flight, fright, slight.
The light was bright. The price is right. The night was chilly. Is the price high? Yes, the price is very high. The fire is bright. Land is in sight. The bright lights of the city are a sight at night. Mike was in a prizefight. Mike fights with all his might. The sky is bright tonight.

- Lesson 101 **ough**: ought, bought, brought, fought, sought, thought, [though], caught, taught, daughter, slaughter,
I bought candy and gum. Paul caught the ball. He thought the ball was fast.
Dad taught a tennis lesson
- Lesson 102: **gh** = /f/: rough, tough, cough; coughing, laugh, laughing, laughter.
Dad has a cough. Mom gave him a cough drop. The steak was tough. Mike made Billy laugh. The sea was rough.
- Lesson 103: **o-e** = /ō/: **obe**: robe, lobe, globe, probe; **ode**: code, mode, rode; **oke**: joke, poke, woke, yoke, broke, choke, smoke, spoke, stroke; **ole**: hole, mole, pole, role, sole, stole, whole, [soul]; **ome**: dome, home, Rome, [come, some]; **one**: bone, cone, lone, tone, zone, phone, stone, throne, [one, once, none, done]; [gone]; **ope**: cope, hope, mope, rope, grope, scope, slope; **ore**: bore, core, more, tore, sore, wore, chore, score, shore, snore, store; **ose**: hose, pose, rose, chose, close, prose, those; **ose**: dose, close, [lose, whose]; **ote**: note, rote, tote, vote, quote; **ove**: cove, dove, rove, wove, drove, grove, stove, [move, prove], [dove, love, glove, shove]; **owe**: owe; **oze**: doze, froze.
- Lesson 104: My nose is sore. My home is in Rome. I spoke on the phone. I had an ice cream cone. I love a joke. Tell me a funny joke. She will move the stone one more time. The stove is hot. The dog ate a bone. Perry wore a bathrobe. Jean woke up. Then she woke me up. A rose is a rose. A rose smells nice. Dad drove to the store. He bought some hotdogs and a Coke. “Come home when you are done,” she said. Mom ate something for lunch. Betty loves to talk on the phone. “Tell me more,” she said in a soft tone. I sent Kathy a note. The note was in code. “Please don’t poke and shove,” Tom said, “We chose to go to the seashore.”
- Lesson 105: **oa** = /ō/: load, road, toad, [broad]; coach; poach; loaf; oak, soak, cloak; coal, goal; foam, roam; Joan, loan; oar, roar, soar, board; [source, court, course]; oat, boat, coat, goat, bloat, float; soap; boast, coast, roast, toast; coax, hoax.
The car is on the road. He bought a loaf of bread. Joan ate a roast beef sandwich. The soap can float. Dad bought coal for the stove. Jan and Joan had oatmeal Mom has tea and toast each day. Dad bought a big boat. The boat flats on the lake. Joan wore her coat.
- Lesson 106: **ow** = /ō/: bow, low, mow, row, sow, tow, [owe]; know, blow, crow, flow, glow, grow; show, slow, snow, stow, throw; [dough, though]; bowl; own, blown, flown, gown, [known], shown, thrown, growth.
Joan wants to grow up. The snow fell last night. I know what I want. I want to
own a car. Ill wants his own boat. Bob wants to row his boat. Go slow in the snow. “I know the way home,” said Joan. Jack will mow the lawn after lunch. Mom gave the cat a bowl of milk. Dad and Mike like to go bowling on Sunday’s Mike has grown up. We saw a TV show. Bonnie has shown a lot of growth. The ball was thrown to Jim.

Lesson 107: **o** = /ō/: old, bold, cold, fold, gold, hold, mold, sold, told, scold; host, most, post, [cost, lost]; oh, go, no, so, quo, yo-yo; [only];
The old home was cold. "Hold my hand," she said. "Go home," I told him. He was lost. He has sold his home. I know what he told her. In winter it is cold most of the time. Bob sold his gold ring. I told him so. Dad sold his boat. It had cost him a lot of money. "It was only money," he said. He is the only one I know with a boat. But most of the time he stays home. "Go slow. There is ice on the road," said Dad.

Lesson 108: [to, too, two]; [do, who, you, youth], [young]
Do you know who went to the phone? Did you do what you were told? The two of you must know what to do. Who do you think you are? Do you know who you are? I want to go too. You are young. You are too young to go alone. The box is two feet high. It is too big. Give it back to him. What shall I do? Go to the man who sold it to you.

Lesson 109: **oo** = /ōō/: coo, boo, moo, too, woo, zoo; food, mood; goof, roof, proof; spook; cool, fool, pool, tool, drool, school, stool; stooge; boom, doom, room, zoom, bloom, broom, gloom, groom; loose, moose, noose, choose; boon, moon, noon, soon, spoon; groove, ooze, snooze; coop, loop, hoop, droop, scoop, snoop, stoop, troop; booth, tooth, smooth; boot, coot hoot, loot, root, toot, shoot; roost, [soup, group].

oo = /ōō/: good, hood, wood, stood, hoof, wool, foot, soot, book, hook, look, took, nook, brook, crook, shook, cook, cookie, cookies; [boor, poor, moor], [door, floor], [flood, blood].

Lesson 110: Joan and Jane went to the zoo. The zoo was too far from home. Jane took a book with her. Joan wore a wool coat. Soon they will go to school. The pool was cool, but the food was good. Betty can cook good food. Jim stood at the door and took a look. Look at Betty's room. It's so neat. "Open the door," said Pan. "I have cookies and milk." The door is made of wood. The dentist said my tooth was loose. Barry sat on the floor. He took a snooze. It's noon. Time for lunch. Betty has too much to do his afternoon. The broom is in Mike's bedroom. Go to his room and get it. Soon it will be noon. Choose a good book to read.

Lesson 111: could, could not, couldn't; would, would not, wouldn't; should, should not, shouldn't.

I would go if I could. If he could go, he would. Couldn't I go? He could go, but not the two of you. I would like to go, but I know I shouldn't.

Should I go? No, you should stay. Shawn has a bad cold. Should he go to school? He shouldn't go to school if he has a cold. I wouldn't go if I had a bad cold. If I were sick, I would stay in bed. Would you? Yes, I would.

Lesson 112: **ow**: bow, cow, how, now, pow, sow, vow, wow; brow, chow, plow; crowd; owl, cowl, fowl, howl, jowl, growl, prowl; down, gown, town, brown, clown, crown, drown, frown; browse; towel, trowel; bowel, cower, power, tower, flower, shower.

ou: ouch, couch, pouch, vouch, grouch, slouch, [touch]; noun, ounce, bounce, pounce; loud, cloud, proud; bound, found, hound, mound, pound, round, sound, wound, ground, [wound]; bough, plough, drought; [rough, tough, enough]; [doubt]; our, hour, sour, flour, [four, pour, tour, your, fourth, mourn]; house, louse, mouse, blouse, spouse; mouth, south, [youth]; out, bout, pout, scout, shout, snout, spout, stout, trout; count, fount.

Lesson 113: How did the cow get out of the house? A mouse let her out. "I found the cow near the house," Brother said. They heard a loud sound. The house fell down. "Ouch," said the clown. The clown ran out of the house. They went down town. It took an hour to find the cow. The cow was in a crowd, then she went around the tower. How now brown cow? Will you come home? "Not now," said the cow. "Bow wow," said the dog. A man came to the house. "Your cow is in town," he said. The clown chased the mouse round and round.

Lesson 114: **oy**: boy, coy, joy, Roy, soy, toy, Joyce, Royce; **oi**: oil, boil, coil, foil, soil, toil, broil, spoil; coin, join, loin, void, joint, point; noise, poise; hoist, foist, moist; poison, oily, annoy, joyful, boyish, broiling.

Roy gave the toy to Joyce. The cat likes to annoy Joyce. Roy wants to join a club. He has a choice of two clubs. Joyce has jar of coins. Roy has a ballpoint pen. The water is about to boil. The soil is moist. Joyce made a good point. Uncle Royce has a boyish smile.

Lesson 115: **u-e** = /ū/: cube, lube, Rube, tube; Bruce, truce, spruce; dude, Jude, rude, crude, prude; dupe, huge; duke, juke, Luke, fluke; mule, rule, Yule; fume, spume, plume; dune, June, tune, prune; cure, pure, lure, [sure]; use, fuse, muse; cute, jute, lute, mute, brute, flute.

June can play a tune on the flute. Luke sat on the sand dune. June ate a prune. Luke rode on a mule. June is cute. The cloud was huge. Luke put a dime in the jukebox. Is there a cure for a cold? We are not sure. If there is a cure, let's use it. Bruce has a tube of toothpaste. Dad put a fuse in the fuse box. It's never nice to be rude.

Lesson 116: **ue** = /ū/: cue, due, hue, Sue, blue, cruel, fuel; blue, clue, flue, glue, true; flu; queue; juice, fruit, bruise, cruise; suit, fruit.

Sue had prune juice at breakfast. Is it true that Sue has the flu? Yes, it is true. Take a cue from Sue. When you have a cold, eat lots of fruit and drink lots of juice. Sue's dress is blue. Bruce has a tube of glue. He will use the glue to fix a toy.

Lesson 117. **ew** = /ū/: dew, few, Lew, mew, new, news, pew, [sew]; blew, brew, chew, clew, crew, drew, flew, grew, stew, view, knew, screw, slew, threw; [through], **eu**: feud, deuce.

June has a new dress. What's new? The news is good. Good news is always nice. Tell me the good news. Lew is having beef stew. I knew the news was good. Sue likes to chew gum. She grew an inch. Luke threw a stone. He threw it far. Lew drew a cat in his sketchpad. Sue will sew her blue coat.

Lesson 118: **er**: her, verb, herd, perk, germ, term, fern, Vern, Bert, pert, perch, clerk, merge, verge, terse, verse, nerve, serve, verve; **ir**: fir, sir, bird, gird, girl, third, shirk, smirk, chirp, dirt, flirt, shirt, skirt, squirt, thirst, birth, mirth; **ur**: fur, curb, surf, turf, lurk, Turk, hurl, urn, burn, turn, hurt, lurch, urge, purge, splurge, surge, curse, nurse, purse, curve, burnt, burst; **ear**: earn, learn, yearn, heard, pearl, search; **wor** word, work, worm, worst, worth; birthday, thirsty, turnip, expert, homework.

Sue wants to be a nurse. Bert likes to throw curve balls. He is in his third year of baseball. Willy likes to learn new words. He is an expert at learning verses. Kelly is sitting on the curb. Bonnie has curls in her hair. She is holding a purse in her lap. Mom will grow turnips in her garden. We will have turkey for dinner. "Did you do your homework?" dad asked. Vinnie will work with his list of words. The clerk wore a new shirt. The girl lost her purse. Bert held the bid and heard it sing. The bird was hurt and thirsty. Bert will urge Vern to get water for the bird.

Lesson 119: **-le**: able, cable, fable, table, stable, eagle, beagle, idle, rifle, trifle, stifle, title, babble, bubble, pebble, apple, grapple, paddle, faddle, saddle, fiddle, riddle, raffle, dazzle, fizzle, drizzle, wiggle, jiggle, battle, bottle, cattle, little, settle, kettle, brittle, tattle, turtle, single, jingle, jungle, bangle, dangle, bungle, juggle, struggle, strangle, skittle, ample, sample, simple, dimple, pimple, temple, fumble, bumble, humble, tumble, handle, candle. **Silent t**: hustle, bustle, rustle.

He ate a little apple. He threw a pebble. She had a little dimple. He sat at the table. He had a pimple on his dimple. She was nimble with a thimble. The bottle was brittle. The candle was on the table. Can a beagle chase an eagle? Can a turtle play a fiddle? Are you able to handle a paddle? The drizzle was a fizzle. There was a battle in the jungle.

Lesson 120: **ph** = /f/: Phil, Philip; Ralph, graph; phone, phony, photo, phonics, Phoenix, phase, phrase; phantom, pharmacy, pharmacist, Philadelphia, philosopher, philosophy; photograph, telegraph, telephone, graphic, emphasis, emphatic.

Lesson 121: **ti** = /sh/: nation, station, ration lotion, motion, notion; patient, patience, action, fraction, traction; **ssi/ci/ce** = /sh/: fission, mission, admission, session; racial, facial, special, crucial, musician, ocean. **ci/sci/xi** = /sh/: atrocious, ferocious, conscious, obnoxious; **su/ssu** = /sh/: sure, insure, assure, fissure, issue, tissue; **si/su** = /zh/: fusion, confusion, intrusion, measure, pleasure, treasure, leisure; **tu/tu** = /ch/: capture, fracture, gesture, picture, question, digestion, indigestion, suggestion.

The ocean can be ferocious. Ralph is a musician and won a special prize at the fair. Jeff went to the train station to pick up Kate. Did you see Gail's picture on the table? Betty had a crucial question for the teacher. "Thank you for being so patient," said Dad. Mom bought a box of facial tissues. She phoned the pharmacy for special lotion. Did you think that motion picture was obnoxious? It sure was a pleasure to see Grandma and Grandpa this weekend. Grandpa brought an album of photographs from phoenix, which we will treasure. Dad will measure the wood to a fraction of an inch. The doctor's suggestion cleared Philip's confusion about his indigestion.

Lesson 122: **kn** = /k/: knee, kneel, kneeling, knelt, knit, knitting, knitted; knife, knight, knack, knock, knob, knot, knuckle, knickers, know, known, knowing, knowledge, knew.

Lesson 123: **mb** = /m/: lamb, jamb, dumb, numb, crumb, thumb, bomb, bombed, bombing, climb, climbed, climbing, comb, combed, combing, plumber, plumbing, tomb. **bt** = /t/: debt, doubt.

Lesson 124: **Silent h**: hour, honor, honest, heir, ghost, ghastly, ghetto, ghoul, rhyme, rhymed, rhyming.

Lesson 125: **wr** = /r/: write, writer, writing, written, wrote, wrist, wrap, wrack, wrath, wreck, wreath, wrought, wrench, wretch, wretched, wriggle, wriggled, wriggling, wrangle, wrinkle, wrong, wrung, wry.

Lesson 126: **st** = /s/: castle, nestle, hasten, moisten, fasten, listen, listener, listening whistle, whistler, wrestle, wrestler; **ft** = /f/: often, soften, softener, softening.

Lesson 127: **ch** = /k/: (Christ & Christian in 1983 ed.), character, choir, Christmas; chemist, chemistry; chorus, choral, chord, chlorine, chronic, chronicle; scheme, schedule, school, scholar, scholastic; **ps** = /s/: psychic, psyche.

Lesson 128: **y** = /ī/: cyst, gym, hymn, Lynn, myth; gymnast, mystic, system, symbol, symptom, rhythm, syrup, lyric, syntax, Phyllis, Sheryl, cryptic, physics, gymnasium, mystery, syllable, sympathy, synonym, hysteric, hypnosis, cylinder, typical, tyranny, synthetic, mystical, physical, physician.

Teachers using Samuel Blumenfeld's *Alpha-Phonics* can "Cut and Paste" from this Word document to create their own *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics Homework*. I recommend that the students **write** the words in cursive on a sheet of paper at home and **read** the words to their parents for reinforcement. I gave homework four days every week, Monday through Thursday. I would type the homework for the entire week on a single piece of paper with a little personal letter at the top informing parents of the various activities for the week. Twelve spelling words were given each week, taken from the phonics reading and cursive handwriting for the week. Classroom spelling practice included putting words in ABC order and finding them in a dictionary. Teachers can format the words and sentences to suit their fancy.

In class the students read the words in columns in *Alpha-Phonics*, but at home they read them across the page, which helped develop dextral eye movement (smooth left to right movement).

The real beauty and power of *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics* is most apparent when taught with cursive handwriting. The students develop a motor memory of the spelling. The patterns become automated for spectacular success in spelling, which facilitates extended creative composition.

This homework document was originally created for use with the 1983 edition (1995 Printing) on 8/13/05. I slightly revised it on 10/6/09 for my intensive phonics program at the Odessa Christian School: *The Cursive Road to Reading and Spelling: The Cursive Cure for ADHD*, which, by the way, proved very effective.

I went through the entire document on December 5, 2015 to bring it into conformity with the 1997/2005/2015 edition. It will still work with the 1983 edition for parents and teacher who have that edition. Prepared by Donald L. Potter – www.donpotter.net

Shortly before passing away on June 1, 2015, Mr. Blumenfeld republished *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics* under the title, *Blumenfeld's Phonics for Success: The Road to High Literacy Made Easy*. It is currently available from Amazon.

Blumenfeld Alpha-Phonics can be downloaded for free from the following link. It is perfect for teaching from a tablet or to run off on a printer.

http://donpotter.net/pdf/alpha_phonics.pdf

The following link is to the *Blumenfeld's Alpha-Phonics: Instruction Manual*.

http://donpotter.net/pdf/alpha-phonics_im.pdf

Here is the link to the *Samuel L. Blumenfeld Reading Clinic* web page.

http://donpotter.net/reading_clinic.html

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English Alphabet System

Common Spelling Forms

Vowels	Dictionary Symbol
1. Short a : a as in cat	/ă/
2. Short e : e as in met , ea as in bead .	/ĕ/
3. Short i : i as in sit , y as in myth , gym	/ĭ/
4. Short o : o as in top	/ŏ/
5. Short u : u as in cup , ou as in precious	/ŭ/
6. Long a : a-e as in ate ; ai as in wait ; ay as in way ei as in veil ; eigh as in eight ; a as in apron ey as in they	/ā/
7. Long e : ee as in tree ; ea as in eat ; ie as in field ; e as in me ; e-e as in eve ; y as in happy , city , ie as in receive	/ē/
8. Long i : i-e as in time ; igh as in high ; y as in try ; ie as in lie ; i as in item .	/ī/
9. Long o : o as in go , o-e as in home ; oa as in boat ; ow as in snow ; oe as in toe	/ō/
10. Long u : u-e as in use ; ew as in new ; ue as in true iew as in view	/ū/ (/yōō/ & /ōō/)
11. Long oo : oo as in food	/ōō/
12. Short oo : oo as in good ; oul as in could , should	/ŏŏ/
13. ou/ow : ou as in out ; ow as in cow	
14. oi/oy : oi as in oil ; oy as in boy	/oi/
15. a (ah) : a as in car , father	/ă/
16. a : a as in care , there , heir , fair	/â/
17. a : a as in all , aw as in law ; au as in cause ; ough as in ought ; ough as in taught ; o as in loss	/ô/
18. er : er as in germ ; ir as in girl ; ur as in fur ear as in earn ; or as work	/ûr/
19. o : o as in born , core	/ôr/

Consonants

1. **b** **b** as in **bat, cab**
2. **d** **d** as in **did**
3. **f** **f** as in **fan, ph** as in **phone, gh** as in **rough, laugh**
4. **g** **g** as in **get, gh** as in **ghetto**
5. **h** **h** as in **house, wh** as in **who**
6. **j** **j** as in **jam, g** as in **gem, angel, ginger; dge** as in **fudge**
7. **k** **k/ck/ch** as in **kick; c** as in **cat; ch** as in **chorus;**
qu as **kw** (**quit = kwit**); **x** as **ks** (**rex = wrecks**)
8. **l** **l** as in **lull**
9. **m** **m** as in **mom**
10. **n** **n** as in **nut; kn** as **knee; ng** as **sin; kn** as in **sink**
11. **p** **p** as in **prep**
12. **r** **r** as in **ran, car; wr** as **wrap, write**
13. **s** **s** as in **sell; c** as in **cell; ps** as in **psychic**
14. **t** **t** as in **ten, net**
15. **v** **v** as in **van; have; f** as in **of**
16. **w** **w** as in **well**
17. **y** **y** as in **yes**
18. **z** **z** as in **zoo; s** as in **has**
19. **th** **th** as in **the, that, father;**
th as in **thin, think, truth**
20. **ch** **ch** as in **chin, rich; tch** as in **catch; tu** as in **capture, picture;**
ti as in **question**
21. **wh** **wh** as in **where, when**
22. **zh** **su** as in **pleasure; si** as in **fusion**