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b ū gl e
o -le

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Homework Guide

Follow These 5 Steps:

1. Dictate the word or sentence.
2. Have your child repeat it.
3. Have your child write it.
4. Read the word or sentence again and have your child proofread it carefully.
5. Check his/her work.

WEEK 1

Dictate the words and sentence to your child following the 5 steps listed above.

On Monday Dictate	Review Words	→	lantern	edited	cheap	dunked
On Tuesday Dictate	Current Words	→	tickle	sparkle	freckle	pickle snorkel
On Wednesday Dictate	Trick Words	→	trouble	school	couple	lose young
On Thursday Dictate	Sentence	→	The other players tackle well.			



Do the “Find the Syllable Type” Activity

Have your child circle the words containing a consonant-le syllable and cross out any word that does not have a consonant-le syllable.

turtle	beagle	bold
rescue	fumble	nibble
thirsty	staple	purple
needle	base	handle
fizzle	scribble	moist

Have your child write the consonant-le syllable words from above on the lines below.

turtle	
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____



Do the “Read, Write and Mark” Activity

Have your child read the following words, copy them on the line and mark up the syllables.

purple	<u>p</u> <u>ur</u> <u>ple</u> r -le	apple	_____
turtle	_____	bugle	_____
beagle	_____	juggle	_____
needle	_____	fizzle	_____
cradle	_____	nibble	_____
staple	_____	muzzle	_____
gobble	_____	jumble	_____
candle	_____	wiggle	_____
table	_____	simple	_____
riddle	_____	puzzle	_____



Do the “Match the Syllable” Activity

Have your child read the syllables on the left and right and match the syllables to form real words.

bu	ple
dim	gle
jum	ble

trem	gle
hud	ble
jug	dle

Have your child write the words from above on the lines below.



Do the “Find the Consonant-le Syllable” Activity

Read the sentences with your child. Have your child find the words with the consonant-le syllable. Have your child circle them and divide the words by underlining each syllable.

- 1 The club must have a raffle and, hopefully, make some cash.
- 2 Did the kids struggle with the puzzle?
- 3 Could you staple these tests and pass them to the kids in the class?
- 4 Jake attempted to juggle with eggs!
- 5 We must try to get the opponent to fumble the ball.
- 6 Henry will get the bundle in the van and put it in the pantry.
- 7 I will sit in the pony’s saddle.
- 8 Do not disrupt the baby in the cradle.
- 9 This is a simple spelling quiz.
- 10 The bottle is empty, but the baby is still expecting more.

WEEK 1

trouble

couple

young

→ **Cut words into flashcards.** 1. Each night, help your child **read** all Trick Words from previous units, as well as these. 2. Have your child **trace** each new Trick Word with his or her finger and **spell** it aloud; and 3. Cover up the Trick Word and have your child write it with his or her finger on the table while naming each letter.

Writing Grid for Word and Sentence Homework

Review Words

1 2

3 4

Current Words

1 2

3 4

Trick Words

5 1

2 3

4 5

Sentence

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