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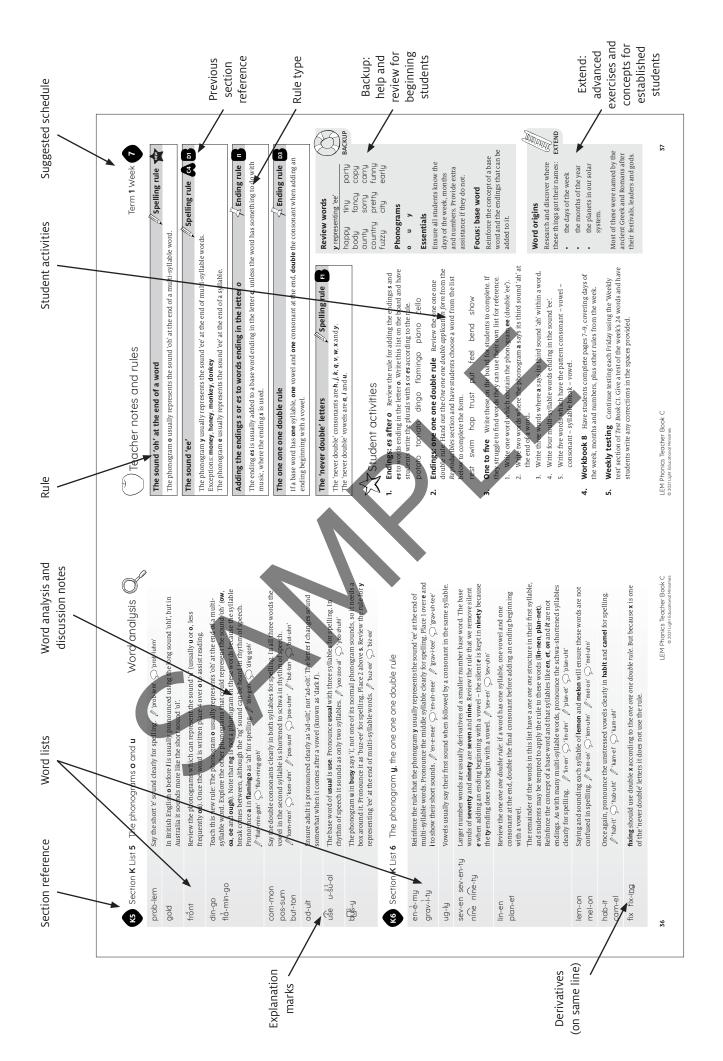
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Procedure for dictating a one-syllable word

1 Teacher Says the word, clearly and precisely (e.g. **good**).

Says a sentence containing the word ('We like to eat **good** food').

Repeats the word (good).

Shows fingers to represent each phonogram in the word.

Students Sound the word as they look at the fingers.

Teacher Discusses which phonograms must be used if any are unclear (**oo**, not **u**,

because two fingers are used). If a sound can be represented by the same fingers (e.g. **ea** and **ee** in **feet**), tell the students which phonogram to use.

Students Write the word in their Student Book, sounding softly as they write. Then they should attempt to

mark the word (go^2od).

Teacher Writes the word on prepared lines on the board as the students sound it.

Students Check the spelling of the word.

4 **Teacher** Discusses any rules which apply and teaches any new rules if applicable.

Students Check the marking.

Teacher Asks the students to read the word. If the word is spelt differently from the way it is spoken,

students should read the word for spelling, then for speaking (see 'Reading for spelling or

speaking' in the next section).

Students Read the word as instructed.

When all words have been dictated

Students Read all the words again both for spelling and speaking.

Teacher Reviews any rules learned and gives students practice in applying them to other words.

Gives a quick written test on the set of words learned for the lesson.



The teacher must not write the word on the board **before** the students have written it in their books. Copying will *not* challenge the students to think analytically.

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TERM ONE | WEEKS 1-4

Up to speed

The first four weeks of *Teacher Book C* are designed to bring new students up to speed quickly, and provide a refresher for existing students. Students review and practice phonological awareness, handwriting, the phonograms, base words and endings, grammar and sentences.

Students also go through two 'review lists' of 60 words each from *Teacher Book A* and *Teacher Book B*, which cover all the rules learned so far.

It is recommended to have on hand a copy of both Teacher Books A and B, plus single copies of Workbooks 1–7. These will assist greatly in review – providing word and rules reference, teaching pointers and whole-class exercises.







mint list	The phonogram i may say its second sound 'igh' before two consonants, but it does not always do so, as shown by the words mint and list .
kind find	Place 2 above i in kind and find because the rule allows the phonogram i to say 'i' or 'igh' in that position.
r <u>igh</u> t *h <u>igh</u>	Fingers will show which phonogram represents the sound 'igh' in right . The phonogram igh may only represent the sound 'igh' before the letter t . The word high is an exception, along with nigh , sigh and thigh .
hap-py	The phonogram y usually represents the sound 'ee' at the end of multi-syllable words. Pronounce p clearly in each syllable of happy .
m ² st lost	The phonogram o may say its second sound 'oh' before two consonants (most , post), but it does not always do so, as shown by the words lost and font .
	Place 2 above o in most because the rule allows o to say 'o' or 'oh' in that position.
mo <u>th</u> - <u>er</u> love	The spelling rule about the sound 'u' before 'v' or 'thh' tells us to use the phonogram o to represent the sound 'u' before 'v' or 'thh', but the equivalent reading rule does not apply – the phonogram o does not always say 'u' before v or th . Therefore students should place 4 above o in both mother and love .
	Place 2 above th in mother as no rule governs its sounds.
	In love , silent e prevents the letter v from ending a word. Mark it with a cross.
	In the next list, students will learn the rule that the phonogram er ('er' of father) usually represents the sound 'er' at the end of a multi-syllable word.
l <u>oo</u> k	Teach the spelling rule that sound 'uuk' is always represented by the pattern ook (not uc , uk , uck , ooc or oock). The equivalent reading rule also applies: the pattern ook usually says 'uuk', except in the word spook . Because this rule is operating we do not need to place 2 above oo in look .



Ensure that students do as much of the analysing of the words as they are able. Only supply information which you are not able to draw from them.

Do not allow students to copy the spelling words.

Reading rule The phonograms i and o before two consonants The phonogram i may say its second sound 'igh' before two consonants (child, mind), but it does not always do so (mint, wilt, limp). children kind find mind behind child The phonogram o may say its second sound 'oh' before two consonants (most, post), but it does not always do so (cost, font). both lost moth roll most post Spelling rule The sound 'ee' The phonogram **y** usually represents the sound 'ee' at the end of multi-syllable words. lady baby happy Spelling rule Da The sound 'igh' The phonogram y usually represents the sound 'igh' at the end of a word. flu bu tru The phonogram **igh** may only represent the sound 'igh' before the **let**ter **t**. Exceptions: high, sigh, nigh, thigh riaht high night light fight might sight The phonogram i may represent the sound 'igh' at the end of a syllable (not word)... lion tinu quiet ...before two consonants... blind child kind find wild hind ...or when silent e ends the word. wife provide site five nine nineteen $/\!\!/\!\!/$ Spelling rule The sound 'u' The phonogram **o** always *represents* the sound 'u' before the sounds 'v' or 'thh' (**love**, **mother**). Note, however, that the phonogram o does not always say 'u' before the phonograms th or v (moth, move, drove). brother mother love dove above other



Reading: The pattern **ook** usually says 'uuk'. Exception: **spook**book look took cook hook spook



- 1. **Spelling test** Test some of the words that have been learned so far on paper. Have the students read the words aloud. Stop after each word and discuss any misspellings and show how applying the rules would help with spelling.
- **2. Silent** *e* **practice** Write words on the board such as **like**, **ride**, **rope**, **take**, **came**, **gate** and **late**. Have the students read these words. Then remove the silent *e* from each one. Have students read the word which remains and compare the difference.
- **3. Finding words which refer to a person** Have students search the words they have done so far, finding words which could refer to a person (**she**, **me**, **lady**, **mother**, etc.) and let them write them on a sheet of paper or on the board.

GR Grammar review

Base words

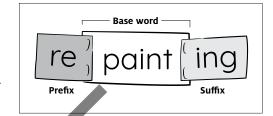
It is necessary for students to thoroughly understand the concept of a **base word** in mastering the rules, particularly the rules for adding suffixes and prefixes.

A base word is the simplest form of a word which is complete in meaning. It may have prefixes and suffixes added to it to change the form of the word, but not change the essential meaning.

paint cannot be broken – it is a base word. painter, painting, painted and repaint all come from the base word paint

and are related to it in meaning. New words created from base words are called **derivatives**. Derivatives are written on the same line as their base word in the students' books.

Words such as **cat**, **mat**, **bat** and **fat** are not derived from each other – they are simply rhyming words. The base word of **kitten** can be neither **kit** nor **ten**, because these two words are not related in any way to the meaning of **kitten**. So **kitten** is a base word.



Base word	Derivati	Derivatives						
help	helps	helping	helper	helped	helpful			
farm	farme	farming	former	farmed				

Parts of speech

The parts of speech are important to understand in the context of endings, because adding an ending will frequently change the part of speech (e.g. the verb **ride** changes to the noun **rider** when the **er** ending is added). Spend a lesson reviewing the four parts of speech learned so far.

- 1. Nouns Have students think of things which they can see, feel and touch, hear and taste (e.g. desk, flower, air, sky, city, noise). Explain that these words are nouns. Words which name people (e.g. man, girl, farmer, Emily) and places (e.g. country, valley, Canberra) are also nouns.
- **2. Verbs** Ask students to think of things which they can do with their hands (e.g. clapping, washing dishes, making a bed, playing the piano). Explain that these 'doing words' are **verbs**. Have several students compose sentences about the things they can do.
- **3. Adjectives** Explain that words which describe things are called **adjectives**. Adjectives are usually used next to a noun (person, place or thing). The following words can describe something:

kind	cold	dear	big	high
fast	old	low	hot	nice

Have students give a word which each adjective could describe (e.g. a kind lady).

4. Adverbs Adverbs are words that show *when*, *where* or *how* an action is done. Explain that many adverbs (especially those that show *how*) end with the ending *ly*. Share these examples:

When do I pay my bills? monthly Where do I keep my cat? inside How do I brush my hair? neatly

Have students add by to the list of adjectives above and discuss how by can turn an adjective into an adverb.

Distribute the chart from *Teacher Toolbox C* and have students put the following words under the correct part of speech. Some words may be in more than one column. If students place a word in a particular column not listed, ask them to explain it with a sentence (e.g. 'I hit the golf ball into the **rough**' uses **rough** as a noun).

1.	weigh (v)	5.	rich (adj)	9.	ride (v)	13.	thought (n/v)	17.	dodge (v)
2.	weight (n)	6.	judge (n/v)	10.	bring (v)	14.	main (adj)	18.	mainly (adv)
3.	catch (v)	7.	rough (adj)	11.	enough (adj)	15.	mane (n)	19.	kitchen (n)
4.	fetch (v)	8.	cough (n/v)	12.	roughly (adv)	16.	richly (adv)	20.	enough (adj)

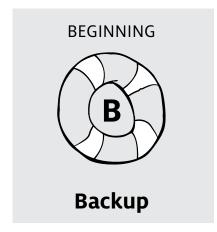
Summary: 'Up to speed'

The phonological awareness test given at the beginning of this section is often the keenest indicator of baseline student knowledge, and is usually reflective of their exposure to literacy in the home before beginning school. What is harder to gauge is students' *ability* to acquire new knowledge, and to manipulate and build their existing knowledge.

These first weeks of reasonably intense review should identify those students who need extra assistance in learning the phonograms, the rules, or perhaps other aspects of LEM Phonics such as handwriting. This assistance can come in the form of teacher aides, parents, or even other students.

Beginning/Developing/Established

There are three broad levels of knowledge and ability that LEM Phonics provides for – **beginning**, **developing** and **established**. These levels are translated to actions in the course work – **backup**, **do it!** and **extend**.



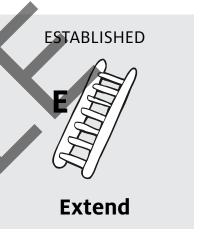
Students in the **beginning** group will need extra review and attention to grasp concepts and progress through the program. Students may be placed in this group because they have had little or no exposure to phonics in the home or classroom and need some time to adjust, or their general ability is not at the same level as the majority of students. Students with above average natural ability but no phonetic training may initially be placed in this group, but will usually adapt quickly and are likely to move up.

The actions of **backing up** and reviewing are essential for the beginning student. Throughout the word list pointers to previous (simpler) words and concepts are provided to assist beginners and provide **backup** for concepts that may not have been fully understood the first time around.



The standard course work is aimed at the **developing** student, taking the philosophy point of 'building on the known' and incrementally building literacy knowledge on previously learned concepts at a steady pace.

The action for the developing student in the main stream is simply this: **do it!**



The **established** group will grasp most aspects of LEM Phonics quickly and easily, and will require extension to maintain interest. One of the most rewarding tasks for this group is to be involved in assisting students in the other two groups. Explaining concepts to their peers is extremely helpful in developing knowledge and character in students - but it needs to be monitored carefully. In addition to this practice, extension work and pointers to higher level concepts are provided throughout the word list.

The action for established students must be **extend** – always seeking to grow in knowledge and to explore the limits of their ability.

Section K List 1 Short vowels



glad stamp	Review the sounds for the phonogram a ('a', 'ay', 'ah', 'aw', 'o'). The first sound of vowels is always a short sound (the fifth sound of a is also a short sound). Review the rule that vowels usually say their first sound when followed by a consonant in the same syllable.
left rest west	Pronounce the phonograms clearly in left , rest and west . Ask students if they know any other phonograms that could represent the short 'e' sound (ea) – use the sound charts to assist if necessary.
swim	Review the three sounds of i ('i', 'igh', 'ee'). After dictating the word swim , have students tell you if each of the phonograms is a consonant or vowel.
hop fox	Review the four sounds of the phonogram o ('o', 'oh', 'oo', 'u'). Like a , o has a second short sound, saying 'u'. After dictating the word fox , talk about the phonogram x and discuss which two sounds make up the 'ks' sound ('k' and 's').
bus trust	Review the four sounds of the phonogram u ('u', 'yoo', 'oo', 'uu'). u also has a second short sound which says 'uu' (put). Reinforce again the reading rule that vowels usually say their first sound when followed by a consonant in the same syllable.
cap-i-tal	Dictate the syllables for cap-i-tal , pronouncing the first sounds of a and i clearly: (**Rap-i-tal*). When students have told you how to write it, read it for speaking using the schwa sound: (*** 'kap-uh-tuhl*). Ask if any students recall the rule for vowels at the end of a syllable (vowels may say their long sounds in this position). The i in cap-i-tal may say its long sound 'igh' ('kap-igh-tal'), but here it does not. Place 1 over i .
spi-rit	Dictate spirit in a similar way to capital and examine the s yllables and sounds.

K2 Section K List 2 Long vowels

e- <u>qu</u> al	Dictate equal for spelling: // 'ee-kwal' and once again review the rule that vowels may say their long sounds at the end of a syllable. Read it for speaking afterwards: (C) 'ee-kwuhl'.
hu-man	The phonogram u has two long sounds 'yoo' and 'oo'. We only number the long sound at the end of a syllable if it is the less common third sound. (hyoo-man') 'hyoo-muhn'
i-tem	i may say 'igh' at the end of a syllable. Add 2 above, because i uses a 'permission' rule (may say) rather than a 'prescription' rule (usually says). ("igh-tem") 'igh-tuhm'
na-vy	a , e , o and u will usually say their second second at the end of a syllable, so we do not need to place 2 over a .
no-bod-y cu-cum-b <u>er</u>	Compare the first letter o in nobody with the second and discuss why they say different sounds (one is at the end of a syllable, the other is followed by a consonant in the same syllable). Do the same with the letter u in the word cucumber .
mo-ment e-vil	Students should be able to spell mo-ment and e-vil if the syllables are stated clearly. Once again note o and e saying their second (long) sounds. ('ee-vil') 'ee-vuhl'
mo-t <u>or</u>	Dictate motor as 'moh-taw' for spelling, sounding the or phonogram. In rhythm of speech it sounds as 'moh-tuh'. Underline the multiple phonogram or .
po-em po-et po-e-try	Pronounce the short 'e' sound and the syllables clearly in poem , poet and poetry . Place to over e in poetry to show it saying its short sound despite being at the end of a syllable.
zeb-rå ze-brå	The Oxford Dictionary gives two pronunciations: 'zeb-rah' and 'zee-brah'. Discuss with students which pronunciation they prefer, and where the syllable break should be and why (after <i>e</i> for 'zee' and after <i>b</i> for 'zeb'). Place 3 above <i>a</i> where it says 'ah'.
stud-y stu-dent	study is the base word of student . The syllable break changes in stu-dent , allowing u to say its second sound at the end of a syllable. Review the rule that y usually represents the sound 'ee' at the end of a multi-syllable word.

Vowels before a consonant in the same syllable

Reading rule



A vowel usually says its first sound before a consonant in the same syllable.

Vowels at the end of a syllable

Reading rule



The vowels **a**, **e**, **o** and **u** usually say their long sounds 'ay', 'ah', 'ee', 'oh', 'oo', and 'yoo' at the end of a syllable. The vowels *i* and *y* may say their long sounds 'igh' and 'ee' at the end of a syllable.

Student activities

Phonograms Write just these phonograms (without the numbers) on the board and ask students to say all the sounds. Then add the numbers and ask them to say the specific sound.

 e^{2} w ea. ě оu ea å a^2 2 C. e^{2} fh au

- **Written expression** Write the following outline on the board about the topic water:
 - 1. How we get water
 - 2. What we use water for
 - 3. Water bodies such as lakes, sea, rivers

Divide the class into three groups, who will write about one of the outline topics. Work orally with all students first, hearing their ideas for the different sections of the outline, and then have students write several sentences about their topic. Have students use a new line to begin the sentences about each new point - the beginning of paragraphing. When students have finished their written work, choose one or two students from each group to read their work to the class.

- **Grammar: phrases** Review the definition of a sentence (a group of words which tells a complete thought), and review the fact that sentences must begin with a capital letter and end with a full stop or question mark. Introduce phrases by following these steps:
 - 1. Say these words to the students: in the garden
 - 2. Ask them if those words make sense. Explain that we need more words to make the meaning clear.
 - 3. Now say this sentence: A dog is in the garden.
 - 4. Ask if those words make sense. Yes they do! It is a complete thought. 'In the garden' does not have a clear meaning - it is only part of a sentence. It is a phrase.
 - 5. Write the definitions of sentence and phrase on the board and have students copy them into their books:

A sentence is a group of words which tells a complete thought. A phrase is a group of words which forms part of a sentence, but is not a complete thought.

- Workbook 8 Issue students with Workbook 8: Read, Spell, Go! and have students complete pages 1-3.
- 5. **Weekly test** Issue students with *Test Book C*. Each Friday give a test of the week's 24 words and have students write any corrections in the spaces provided. Continue this practice throughout the program.

Review words

Short vowel sounds

is am in into and has

Long vowel sounds

he she me SO my by go la-du ti-ger qui-et

Phonograms

Focus: vowels

Use the vowel chart in *Teacher* Toolbox C to review all the vowel sounds, focusing on which ones are long and short.

Third sounds

Review the third sounds of the vowels. Create a small chart with the headings a ('ah'), i ('ee'), o ('oo') and u ('oo'). Find at least two words for each.

Examples:

a('ah') **i** ('ee') **o** ('oo') นี้ ('oo') father police move super fast alien flute to past pizza rude prove

Syllables

Write these words with different syllable breaks and have students read them using the rule for long vowel sounds.

mod-el/mo-del co-bra/cob-ra ro-bot/rob-ot se-cret/sec-ret



The review week at the end of each section is for general revision. It can be a time for testing of words, more work in sentence writing, reviewing the rules and principles taught, and application of rules to unknown words. Students should write review tests and dictations in the 'review tests' section of *Test Book C*.

Day 1

Word test Test the following words:

1.	refuse	5.	pure	9.	ice	13.	simple	17.	describe
2.	bone	6.	horrible	10	. increase	14.	loose	18.	servant
3.	file	7.	medicine	11.	space	15.	prove	19.	paddle
4.	twinkle	8.	mixture	12.	palace	16.	engagement	20.	opposite

Correct this test quickly after completion and then discuss any errors with students, particularly common class errors. Have students record any errors in the 'corrections' section in their *Test Book C* and relearn those words carefully. Have students review the days of the week, ready for the Day 2 test.

Day 2

Word test Test the following words as well as any common errors from the previous day.

1.	arrival	5.	drive	9.	centre 13.	loss	17.	terrible
2.	improve	6.	tired	10.	promise 14.	save	18.	famous
3.	endure	7.	imagine	11.	cabbage 15.	bake	19.	continue
4.	picture	8.	freeze	12.	excuse 16.	verse	20.	complete

Be certain to use a short sentence when dictating the various derivatives, so that students can clearly understand which one to use, e.g. 'I **go** to the shop.' He **goes** to the shop.' Correct this test as soon as possible after completion and discuss any errors. Have students record their errors in their *Test Book C* and relearn them.

Day 3

Word test: alternate phonograms Test any errors made on the previous day, and then test these words which could have alternate phonograms:

1.	machine	3. sentence	5.	lettuce	7.	freeze	9.	loose
2.	lose	4. centre	6.	verse	8.	increase	10.	servant

Silent *e* **test** Test the following words and ask students to mark the silent *e* correctly. Discuss the silent *e* markings and any extra markings required.

tem-plě	Every syllable must have a vowel. Silent e provides one.
prom-isě	Sometimes silent e is helpless.
<u>charge</u>	Silent e allows g to say 'j'.
range	Silent ${\it e}$ can do two functions at once. It allows ${\it a}$ to say 'ay' and ${\it c}$ to say 's'.
sen-tence	Silent e allows c to say 's'.
bone	Silent <i>e</i> allows o to say its long sound 'oh'.
v <u>er</u> sě	Silent <i>e</i> is helpless.
en-gage	Silent \boldsymbol{e} can do two functions at once. It allows \boldsymbol{a} to say 'ay' and \boldsymbol{g} to say 'j'.
solve	The letter ${\it v}$ may not end a word. Silent ${\it e}$ stands in its place.

The letter **u** may not end a word. Silent **e** stands in its place.

con-tin-ue



Students will write their answers to this test in the 'section tests' section of their *Test Book C*. Students should achieve 80% or above in the *Words* test to move on with the word list. If students are weak only in dictation or in base words and endings, provide more practice in those areas but move on with the word list.

Words

1.	else	11. temple	21. slide	31. solve	41. increase
2.	range	12. charge	22. entry	32. police	42. picture
3.	fine	13. culture	23. nature	33. tire	43. horrible
4.	waste	14. including	24. distant	34. space	44. freeze
5.	sponge	15. possible	25. wisdom	35. driven	45. pure
6.	costume	16. lettuce	26. sentence	36. medicine	46. centre
7.	arrangement	17. sensible	27. probable	37. bone	47. prove
8.	visible	18. machine	28. bridal	38. bake	48. loose
9.	ripple	19. capture	29. bronze	39. paddle	49. describe
10.	cure	20. assemble	30. invade	40. arrive	50. continue

Mark the spelling test out of 50, taking off one mark for each word spelt wrongly

Dictation

Tired Tim had a terrible day. It began with his medicine. His servant gave him a horrible mixture of lettuce and cabbage on a bronze plate. Tim refused to eat it, even though it promised to improve his nature. In the end he had no excuse and had to endure the arrangement.

Mark the dictation out of 30. Take off one mark for each word spelt wrongly, each capital missed and each full stop not entered.

Base words and endings test

baking
 proving

2. iciest 7. filer

3. lettuces4. senseless8. charged9. solved

5. excusing 10. refusing

Mark the base words and endings test out of 10. If students get the base word correct but not the ending take half a mark off. If they get the ending correct but not the base word do likewise.



b <u>each</u> p <u>ea</u> st <u>ea</u> m	Review the sounds of the phonogram ea ('ee', 'e', 'ay') and find some example words. ea is a very common phonogram but there are not many rules to show when to use ea instead of ee – indeed many ea/ee words are homophones (e.g. steal/steel). Homophones are not shown in this list but keep students on the lookout for them. Tell students which phonogram represents 'ee' in beach , pea and steam .
p <u>ea</u> ce	Silent \boldsymbol{e} allows \boldsymbol{c} to say 's' in peace . Tell students which 'ee' phonogram to use.
re-p <u>ea</u> t	There are two 'ee' sounds in repeat . Fingers will show the first, but the second will need to be clarified as ea . Say the first syllable clearly.
<u>ea</u> -glě	Ask students which phonogram usually says 'ee' at the end of a syllable (e). eagle uses ea in that position. Silent e provides a vowel in the last syllable.
di-s <u>ea</u> sě	This word was originally dis-ease (literally 'not at ease'). When the word is combined, the first s sounds as 'z' and the syllable break changes.
spr <u>e²a</u> d in-st <u>e²a</u> d d <u>e²ath</u>	The second sound of ea is unique because it is the only two-letter phonogram that may say the short sound 'e'. Fingers alone will show the spelling of spread , instead , and death when dictating, because there are no other options to represent the sounds.
w <u>ea</u> p-on	Once again fingers will show the first syllable, but dictate the last syllable clearly to show which vowel to use. #\tilde{\rho} 'wep-on' \to 'wep-uhn'
st <u>e</u> ad-y st <u>e</u> ad-fast	Fingers will show to use ea in these words. Review the rule for y at the end of multisyllable words, and note a representing 'ah' before two consonants in steadfast .

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r <u>ea</u> l re-al-i-ty	The phonogram ea splits into two sounds when real forms the derivative re-al-i-ty .
m <u>ea</u> n m <u>e</u> ant h <u>ea</u> l h <u>e</u> al <u>th</u>	Dictate mean and heal together, then the derivatives meant and health . Explain ea representing 'ee' in mean and heal . The sound changes from 'ee' to 'e' in the derivatives.
br <u>eath</u> br <u>eath</u> ě	In breath and breathe , the phonogram ea changes in the opposite direction, from 'e' to 'ee'. The th phonogram also changes from 'th' to its second sound 'thh'.
w <u>e</u> al <u>th</u> w <u>e</u> al <u>th</u> -y	Fingers alone will show the spelling of wealth . Discuss how the ending y can change a noun into an adjective (wealthy).
b <u>ea</u> - ³ -ty b <u>ea</u> -u-ti-ful	In beauty , ea says its first sound 'ee' and u its third sound 'oo'. The sounds 'ee' and 'oo' blended together create the sound 'yoo'. Say three syllables clearly for spelling, even though it sounds like two. Treat the derivative beautiful in the same way. Place 4 over u in the ending ful .
i-de-a	Review the rule that a usually says 'ah' at the end of a word. ea is not a phonogram in the word idea because the syllable break comes between the letters. Place 2 above i as it does not always say 'igh' at the end of a syllable. Ø 'igh-dee-ah' ' 'jigh-dee-uh'
pine-ap-plě	This is a compound word made up of pine and apple . As the word apple is an actual word and not an ending, the e is kept in pine . Silent e in pine allows i to say 'igh' and in apple provides a vowel for the last syllable. (pighn-ap-pl') (pighn-ap-uhl')
wheat while whis-per	Discuss the sound 'w' and the phonograms that can represent it (w and wh). Fingers will show the spelling of the 'w' sound in wheat, while and whisper, but students will need to be told the ea phonogram in wheat. Pronounce the last syllable of whisper clearly to show the 'er' sound. "wis-per' "wis-puh"
<u>w</u> hole	In the pattern who the w is often silent. Pronounce the silent letter for spelling. Silent e allows o to say 'oh', but the I tends to shorten the sound.

The phonogram a saying 'ah'

Reading rule K3

The phonogram **a** usually says its third sound 'ah' at the end of a word. The phonogram **a** usually says its third sound 'ah' before a consonant and another **a** at the end of a word.

The pattern who



Reading rule



The letter **w** is silent in the pattern **who**. **wh** is not a phonogram in this case.

Student activities

1. Grammar: commas for lists Write this list of animals on the board and have students arrange them in alphabetical order on scrap paper (review alphabetical order if necessary):

lion

tiger

giraffe

zebra

elephant

Then have them write the list of words in a sentence, explaining that commas must go between the items in the list. Before the last item, we use the word **and** instead of a comma.

Elephants, giraffes, lions, tigers and zebras are animals which live in the jungle.

Ask students to write their own lists of animals for other categories, such as:

- Animals which can be pets
- · Animals which are found on a farm.
- **2. Written expression: research project** Introduce the concept of *research*: the careful investigation and study of a particular subject or thing. Have students choose an Australian animal or bird from their word list to research, using the internet, encyclopedias or reference books that may be available. Write these points down on the board to use as guidelines:
 - Description
 - Food
 - Its young (babies)
 - · Habits and behaviours
 - Other interesting facts

Teach students to make notes as they are researching. When they have collected information and written down notes about their animal, have them record their work on pages 42 and 43 of Workbook 8. This project may take more than one week to complete.

3. Homophones Write, review and discuss these **ea/ee** homophones. Ensure students are aware of the meanings of the different words.

beach/beech tea/tee real/reel heal/heel meat/meet read/reed

- **4. Weekly testing** Continue testing each Friday using *Test Book C*.
- **5. Workbook 8** Have students complete pages 40–41, providing exercises in commas and homophones.

Review words

a saying 'ah' at the end

umbrella

extra



a saying 'ah' before a consonant and another **a** at the end

koala data banana drama

ea says 'ee'

dream each clean mean east steal

ea says 'e'

head dead thread heavy leather feather

ea says 'ay

great break steak

Phonograms

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Focus: the phonogram ea

Review the three sounds of ea ('ee', 'e', 'ay') and use the sound charts to explore the other phonograms that can represent those sounds. One of the most common phonogram choices students will need to make for the 'ee' sound is between ea and ee. Unfortunately there are no rules to assist and in many cases context is required because they are homophones (e.g. meet/meat, week/weak).

'ee' to 'e' and back again



What do you notice about the 'ee' sound in **deep** > **depth** and **heal** > **health**? (It changes to 'e' in the derivative.) Find the meaning of the word **stealth**. What is the base word? (**steal**)

Think about the word **wealth**. If it used the same pattern as **health** and **stealth**, what could the base word be, and what could it mean?

(The word **well** used to be spelt **weal**, and **wealth** meant 'welfare and prosperity').