BIG WORDS MADE EASY

na tion sta tion va ca tion ed u ca tion **NEW APPROACH Reading** and **spelling** multi-syllable words by using the brain's natural ability for patterns, rhymes, and rhythms



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LESSON 1 (and lesson structure for LESSONS 2 through 18)

For the Teacher:

Each lesson includes three pages. (Make copies for each student.)

- •Page 1. Rapid Reading Card 1, Practice and Rapid Reading Card 1, Test
- •Page 2. Rapid Reading Phrase Card 1 and Word Pictures 1
- Page 3. Spelling Practice 1

• PAGE 1. (Rapid Reading Card 1, Practice)

LESSON 1	Rapid Reading Card 1, Practice			
1. mid c	le	rid dle	pad dle	sad dle
2. bun c	lle	sim ple	sam ple	ex am ple
3. a ble		fa ble	ta ble	cra dle
4. gen t	le	jung le	un cle	cir cle
BONUS WORDS				
ti tle		ter ri ble	en joy a ble	pos si ble

Instruction 1. Read the words aloud emphasizing each syllable. Have students point to each word as you read. After you read each word, the students read each word, emphasizing each syllable. (The words are separated by syllables to help with pronunciation and spelling.) After reading the words, ask students what they notice about the words. They all end in the letters <u>le</u> pronounced /<u>ul/</u> as in p<u>ull</u>. Discuss the general word meanings with students. Students tell words with which they are familiar. (Some students may need to work with fewer words at a time.)

Instruction 2. On a piece of paper or individual whiteboards, students practice writing the words. They write each word as one word and then draw an arc or loop under each syllable. The Rapid Word Reading Card 1, Practice can be used for help. Students read the words to themselves as they write them.

Instruction 3. (Getting ready for the Rapid Reading 1, Test.) Read the Rapid Reading Practice words at the top of page one while students follow along and make arcs under the syllables in each word. (Provide additional practice as needed.)

NOTE: Some students work better by seeing the whole word first. In this case start with the Test Words on page 1. Have students write the whole word and then write the word in syllables next to it.

middle - mid / dle

Presenting words by syllables helps students break words into manageable parts and reinforces syllable boundaries.

Extra practice helps cement words into long-term memory.

PAGE 1. (Rapid Reading Card 1, Test)				
LESSON 1	Rapid Reading Card	1, Test		
1. midd	- <u>le</u> riddle	paddle	saddle	
2. bund	le simple	sample	example	
3. able	fable	table	cradle	
4. gentl	e jungle	uncle	circle	
BONUS WORDS				
title	terrible	enjoyable	possible	

Instruction 1. Before the timing, you and all students read the words aloud together. Students move their dominant hand under each word as it is said.

Instruction 2. Then individually, students read as many words as they can in one minute aloud softly to themselves or to you or to a student partner. If students finish reading the words, they start again at the beginning and add to the total number of words they have already read. One point is subtracted for each missed word. Students write their scores at the bottom of the page. (Limit or have no interruptions of oral timed reading. If students need help say the word and let them continue reading.) Students receive extra points for reading bonus words. Just trying to read the bonus words will improve reading. (The words with asterisks after them are the words that are included in the rapid phrase reading activity.)

PAGE 2. (Rapid Reading Phrase Card)

Before the timing, you and all students read the phrases aloud. Students move their dominant hand under each word as it is read. (Provide extra practice as needed.) Then individually, students read as many words in the phrases and sentences as they can in one minute aloud softly to themselves or to you or to a student partner. If students finish reading, they start again at the beginning and add to the total number of words they have already read. One point is subtracted for each missed word. Students write their scores at the bottom of the page. (A language activity is to ask students how many of the phrases they can write or discuss in sentence form.)

Timed reading increases student reading speed and automatic word recognition, important for fluent reading.

Research has demonstrated that helping students read in phrases will improve their reading fluency and overall reading achievement. ^{(1), (2)}

Rapid Reading Phrase Card 1			
1. in the middle	2. that funny <u>riddle</u>		
3. the pony <u>saddle</u>	4. a boat to paddle		
5. one more sample	6. my good <u>example</u>		
7. a baby <u>cradle</u>	8. to read a <u>fable</u>		
9. lost in the jungle	10. will see her <u>uncle</u>		
BONU	S PHRASES		
11. the book <u>title</u>	12. a <u>terrible</u> storm		
13. an <u>enjoyable</u> day	14. is not possible		
	TIME SCORE/ 46		

● <u>PAGE 2</u>. (Word Pictures 1)

Individual students draw personal pictures of vocabulary words they select for themselves. For words that are difficult to draw in pictures, students write each word in an interesting, decorative way. (Personal drawings help students remember word meanings.) After students have completed the drawings, they write a sentence about each picture they have drawn. To reinforce word meanings with all students, display selected drawings in the classroom, and discuss the word meanings.

WORD PICTURES 1

- Choose four phrases from above, and draw a picture for each phrase.
- Write the phrase number and the phrase at the bottom of each box.



Seeing words in picture contexts aids in putting words into long term memory. The spelling test improves decoding, pronunciation, and spelling.

• <u>PAGE 3</u>. (SPELLING TEST 1)

Instruction 1. The spelling test words are the eight underlined words on Rapid Reading Phrase Card 1 on page 2. Before administering the test, write the words on the chalkboard and review them with students. Have students write them on white boards or paper. Struggling readers often have difficulty with spelling, and improvement comes slowly. The spelling test has prompts to help them (lines, syllable markers, and the ending spelling). Praise students for any words or word parts spelled correctly.



Instruction 2. (READ TO THE STUDENTS.)

I will say each word. You will write the letters on the lines to complete each word. (THE WORDS FOR THE SPELLING TESTS AND THE PHRASES ARE ON THE RAPID READING PHRASE CARD 1 ON PAGE 2).

Number 1 is <u>middle</u>. (in the <u>middle</u>) Write the letters on the lines to complete the word <u>middle</u>.

Number 2 is <u>**riddle**</u>. (that funny <u>**riddle**</u>) Write the letters on the lines to complete the word <u>**riddle**</u>.

(CONTINUE THE PATTERN OF SAYING THE WORD, READING THE PHRASE, AND REPEATING THE WORD.)

The brain organizes words by patterns. Learning consistent word patterns helps students with spelling and word pronunciation.

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LESSON 1

Rapid Reading Card 1, Practice

1. mid d <u>le</u>	rid dle	pad dle	sad dle	
2. bun dle	sim ple	sam ple	ex am ple	
3. a ble	fa ble	ta ble	cra dle	
4. gen tle	jung le	un cle	cir cle	
BONUS WORDS				
ti tle	ter ri ble	en joy a ble	pos si ble	

Rapid Reading Card 1, Test

	ТІМ	E	SCORE
title	terrible	enjoyable	possible
	BONUS WORI	DS	
gentle	jungle∗	uncle∗	circle
able	fable∗	table	cradle∗
bundle	simple	sample∗	example∗
midd <u>le</u>∗	riddle∗	paddle*	saddle∗

Rapid Reading Phrase Card 1 1. in the middle 2. that funny riddle 3. the pony saddle 4. a boat to **paddle** 5. one more **sample** 6. my good **example** 7. a baby cradle 8. to read a **fable** 9. lost in the jungle 10. will see her uncle **BONUS PHRASES** 12. a terrible storm 11. the book title 13. an <u>enjoyable</u> day 14. is not **possible** SCORE TIME / 46

WORD PICTURES 1

• Choose four phrases from above, and draw a picture for each phrase.

• Write the phrase number and the phrase at the bottom of each box.



SPELLING TEST 1



SCORE _____

LESSON 2 Rapid Reading Card 2, Practice				
1. C a	an d <u>le</u>	han dle	set tle	ket tle
2. b 0	ot tle	puz zle	jug gle	strug gle
3. CC	ou ple	dou ble	trou ble	peo ple
4. Sİ	ng le	ang le	tang le	tri ang le
BONUS WORDS				

im pos si ble val ua ble veg e ta ble a gree a ble

Rapid Readin	g Card 2, Test
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handle*	settle	kettle
puzzle∗	juggle∗	struggle∗
double∗	trouble*	people
angle∗	tangle	triangle∗
BONUS WO	RDS	
valuable	vegetable	agreeable
	puzzle* double* angle* BONUS WO	puzzle∗ juggle∗ double∗ trouble∗ angle∗ tangle BONUS WORDS

TIME	SCORE

Rapid Reading Phrase Card 2 2. the broken handle 1. lit the candle 4. quite a struggle 3. tried to juggle 6. on the double 5. having much **trouble** 7. one right angle 8. drawing a triangle 9. that happy couple 10. a difficult **puzzle BONUS PHRASES** 11. a valuable diamond 12. different vegetables 13. an **impossible** trick 14. agreeable weather SCORE / 40 TIME

WORD PICTURES 2

• Choose four phrases from above, and draw a picture for each phrase.

• Write the phrase number and the phrase at the bottom of each box.



SPELLING TEST 2



SCORE

LESSON 3 Rapid Reading Card 3, Practice				
1. mod <u>el</u>	trav el	tow el	vow el	
2. ped <u>al</u>	met al	san dal	nor mal	
з. sig nal	cor al	lo cal	glo bal	
4. le gal	an i mal	hos pi tal	prin ci pal	
BONUS WORDS				
gen er al	min er al	an nu al	e qual	
Panid Paading Card 2 Teat				

Rapid Reading Card 3, Test

mod <u>el</u>	travel	towel∗	vowel
ped <u>al</u> ∗	metal*	sandal∗	normal∗
signal	coral	local∗	global∗
legal	animal∗	hospital∗	principal∗
	BONUS W	/ORDS	
general	mineral	annual	equal
	т	IME	SCORE

Rapid Reading Phrase Card 3 1. a bike to pedal 2. made of metal 3. the soft towel 4. a long vowel 5. lost my new <u>sandal</u> 6. another **<u>normal</u>** day 7. our <u>local</u> newspaper 8. many global changes 9. an **animal <u>hospital</u>** 10. new school principal **BONUS PHRASES** 11. enjoyed the **annual** picnic 12. a bottle of **mineral** water 13. six <u>equal</u> pieces of cake 14. the <u>general</u> public **SCORE** / 49 TIME

WORD PICTURES 3

• Choose four phrases from above, and draw a picture for each phrase..

• Write the phrase number and the phrase at the bottom of each box.

