

Grading

If your particular system requires that a grade be given for spelling, we would recommend that tests for grading purposes be given at a separate time and that your children be graded on their learning of the spelling of the sounds — not the words as the suggested tests for grading purposes are constructed to do. AVKO gives permission for parents to duplicate (for classroom purposes only) the tests on the following pages. Read the sentences to your children. All they have to do is fill in the blanks. Notice that you are not testing on the whole word. You are testing only on the spelling patterns taught. That is why the initial consonants or blends are given to the children. Note: You can use this as a pre-test as well as a post-test to show real gains. How you grade these tests is up to you. Or use the 0-1 wrong = A, 2-3 = B, 4-5 = C, 6-7 = D. We don't expect that you'll have any E's.

Evaluation Test #1 (After 40 Days)

| | Pattern being tested | Lesson word is in |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. You'll find the lettuce in the produce department. | -uce | 1 |
| 2. Don't make a big production out of it. | -uction | 4 |
| 3. Some accidents are unavoidable. | -cci- = k/si | 6 |
| 4. I'm glad to make your acquaintance. | -cqu- = k/kw | 8 |
| 5. Will you vouch for him? | -ouch | 9 |
| 6. We did a thorough job of cleaning that room. | -or + ough | 11 |
| 7. You're giving me a headache. | ch=k | 13 |
| 8. We won the game on a technicality. | ch=k/-ality | 13 |
| 9. Don't try to psych me out. | y=i/ch=k | 13 |
| 10. Who needs a course in psychology? | y=i/ch=k + ology | 13 |
| 11. Are we still on schedule? | ch=k/ule | 17 |
| 12. We don't spell chic "SHEEK." | ch=sh; i=ee | 23 |
| 13. It went down the chute. | ch=sh | 24 |
| 14. Let your conscience be your guide, by Jiminy. | sci=sh/ence | 26 |
| 15. I enjoy watching some commercials. | cial="shul" | 27 |
| 16. Gold is considered to be a precious metal. | ci=sh/ous=us | 29 |
| 17. Please try to be more diplomatic. | -atic | 32 |
| 18. Are you interested in international diplomacy? | -acy | 32 |
| 19. We just had time to get to the concession stand. | -ession | 36 |
| 20. Did you hear that explosion? | -osion | 36 |

Evaluation Test #2

(After 80 Days)

| | Pattern being tested | Lesson word is in |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. I'm sending you a big bou <u>quet</u> of roses. | quet=KAY | 41 |
| 2. I still enjoy the game of cro <u>quet</u> . | quet=KAY | 43 |
| 3. Did you fill out an <u>app</u> lication blank? | pp | 43 |
| 4. It was my first big <u>disapp</u> ointment. | dis/pp/oint | 48 |
| 5. I hope you're good at making <u>arrang</u> ements | rr/ange/ment | 48 |
| 6. Yes in Spanish is <i>sí</i> . In French, yes is <u>oui</u> . | (o)/u=w/+i=ee | 51 |
| 7. We <u>assumed</u> that you understood. | ss/ume/+(e)d | 51 |
| 8. We should not have made that <u>assump</u> tion. | um+p+tion | 51 |
| 9. Who said our taxes are an <u>exc</u> essive burden? | xc+essive | 59 |
| ! 10. It's no fun being <u>excl</u> uded from what's going on. | ex/cl.. | ! 58 |
| 11. After running five miles, I'm completely <u>exhaust</u> ed. | ex/h/aust | 62 |
| 12. In fact, I'm suffering from <u>exhaust</u> ion | ex/h/au/stion | 64 |
| 13. Tom's fianc <u>ée</u> is planning a surprise for him. | ée=AY | 65 |
| 14. Don't step on my blue <u>suede</u> shoes. | u=w/e=AY | 65 |
| 15. I love pies, cakes, cookies, candy, <u>etc</u> . | abbr. | 65 |
| 16. You can resume filling out your <u>résum</u> é. | é=AY | 67 |
| 17. The phrase, for example, is abbreviated <u>e.g.</u> | abbr. | 66 |
| 18. You become a <u>fore</u> igner when you leave our country. | eign+er | 70 |
| 19. You shouldn't be so <u>con</u> ceited. | cei+t+ed | 70 |
| 20. The <u>she</u> ik loved to wear <u>chic</u> ("SHEEK") clothing. | ch=sh/i=ee/c=k | 75 |

! The word *excluded* was not given, but the patterns necessary to spell *excluded* have been.

Evaluation Test #3 (After 120 Days)

| | Pattern being tested | Lesson word is in |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. It was a very <u>decisive</u> victory. | cive | 77 |
| 2. Square circles are beyond my <u>comprehension</u> . | ension | 79 |
| 3. Who is <u>responsible</u> for getting you here on time? | ible | 81 |
| 4. Do you take <u>responsibility</u> for your own actions? | ibility | 83 |
| 5. My friend is suffering from <u>depression</u> . | ession | 82 |
| 6. Did she get elected to the state <u>legislature</u> ? | lature | 87 |
| 7. It is <u>imperative</u> that you be here on time. | ative | 89 |
| 8. The dog <u>instinctively</u> began to growl at the intruder. | inct+ive+ly | 96 |
| 9. He showed no <u>sensitivity</u> to her feelings. | tiv(e)+ity | 98 |
| ! 10. Were you <u>describing</u> me? | scrib(e) + ing | ! 99 |
| 11. I'm not sure I like your <u>description</u> . | scrip + tion | 100 |
| 12. Have you ever heard of male <u>intuition</u> ? | ition | 98 |
| 13. That's a real oasis, not a <u>mirage</u> . | age="Ahzh" | 101 |
| 14. Should your <u>rouge</u> match your lipstick? | ouge="Oozh" | 101 |
| 15. What's the difference between <u>colleges</u> and universities? | ege="ij" | 103 |
| 16. Charging \$5.00 for a cup of coffee is <u>outrageous</u> . | geous="jus" | 103 |
| 17. You can put that in the <u>circular</u> file. | circ/ular | 109 |
| 18. Why carry <u>collision</u> insurance on an old junker? | ision="izh un" | 111 |
| 19. The salesperson earned a hefty <u>commission</u> . | ission="Ish un" | 113 |
| 20. Please regard this information as <u>confidential</u> . | ential="en shul" | 118 |

! This word was never given! However, the patterns necessary to spell the word, were given.

Evaluation Test #4 (After 160 Days)

| | Pattern Being Tested | Lesson word is in |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Nobody really likes to receive <u>criticism</u> . | it+ic+ism | 119 |
| 2. We should feel <u>sympathy</u> towards those less fortunate. | sym+path+y | 121 |
| 3. There are different kinds of pen <u>alties</u> . | al+t(y)+ies | 122 |
| 4. A soldier on leave can wear <u>civilian</u> clothes. | civil+i+an | 125 |
| 5. They calmed the lion with a <u>tranquilizer</u> . | anq+uil+izer | 127 |
| 6. My house could use a little modern <u>ization</u> . | ern+iz(e)+ation | 132 |
| 7. We are all good at <u>memorizing</u> different things. | or(y)+iz(e)+ing | 132 |
| 8. We should all show some sens <u>itivity</u> towards others. | s(e)+i+tiv(e)+ity | 136 |
| 9. That dessert looks awfully <u>appetizing</u> . | ppet+iz(e)+ing | 136 |
| 10. Would you try to be more <u>specific</u> ? | ec+if+ic | 138 |
| 11. Choosing Mary was a <u>strategic</u> move. | eg(y)+ic | 139 |
| 12. <u>Alcoholic</u> beverages are served in bars. | co+hol+ic | 141 |
| 13. Which car is the most <u>economical</u> to drive? | con+om+ic+al | 144 |
| 14. <u>Microscopic</u> organisms are hard to see. | micro+scop(e)+ic | 148 |
| 15. Basketball players are <u>typically</u> taller than golfers. | typ(e)ic+al+ly | 148 |
| 16. <u>Historically</u> , the Middle East has been fought over. | histor(y)+ic+al+ly | 151 |
| 17. The woman next door is an <u>electrician</u> . | elec+tr+ician | 152 |
| 18. We should <u>automatically</u> say "Please" and "Thank you." | auto+mat+ic+al+ly | 156 |
| 19. His answer appeared to be <u>apologetic</u> . | apolog(y)+et+ic | 157 |
| 20. How many <u>politicians</u> does it take to tell the truth? | polit(e)+icians | 159 |

FINAL EVALUATION TEST

| | Pattern being tested | Lesson word is in |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Don't make a big production out of it. | -uction | 4 |
| 2. We won the game on a technical ality . | ch=k/ality | 13 |
| 3. I enjoy watching some commercials . | cial="shul" | 27 |
| 4. Gold is considered to be a prec ious metal. | ci=sh/ous=us | 29 |
| 5. We just had time to get to the conc ession stand. | ession | 36 |
| 6. Did you hear that exp losion ? | osion | 36 |
| 7. I'm sending you a big bou quet of roses. | quet=KAY | 65 |
| 8. Tom's fianc ée is planning a surprise for him. | ée=AY | 65 |
| 9. Don't step on my blue suede shoes. | u=w/e=AY | 65 |
| 10. I think they're suffering from exh haustion . | au/stion | 64 |
| 11. That's a real oasis, not a mir age . | age=Ahzh | 101 |
| 12. Did she get elected to the state legis lature ? | lature | 87 |
| 13. Charging \$5.00 for a cup of coffee is outr ageous . | geous=jus | 103 |
| 14. The salesperson earned a hefty comm ission | ssion=shun | 113 |
| 15. Please regard this information as confid ential . | ential=en shul | 118 |
| 16. The judge ruled that the law was unconstit utional . | ution+al | 56 |
| 17. Two of the accident victims were critically injured. | ic+al+ly | 156 |
| 18. Do you know who wrote that edit orial ? | or+l+al | 158 |
| 19. How many major lea gues are there? | -gues | 150 |
| 20. They need to establish a dial ogue . | -ogue | 149 |
| 21. Most teachers appreciate a little original ity . | ality | 161 |
| 22. Most crim inals spend their lives in and out of prison. | -inals | 161 |
| 23. Who needs indust rial strength mouthwash? | -trial=tree'll | 159 |
| 24. A good doctor should be a good diagnost ician | ician | 139 |
| 25. I haven't the vaguest idea what you're talking about. | ague+est | 151 |