

Grading

If your particular curriculum requires that a grade be given for spelling, we would recommend that tests for grading purposes be given at a separate time and that the students 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 the tests for their home school only. Read the sentences to your students. 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 child. 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. You could use the 0-1 wrong = A, 2-4 = B, 5-7 = C, 8-10 = 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. We have some unfin <u>ished</u> business to attend to.	ished	4
2. Every house should have a fire extingui <u>sher</u> .	isher	8
3. Do you like bran muff <u>ins</u> ?	ins	8
4. You should try walking in another's moccas <u>ins</u> .	ins	12
5. Would you like an en <u>try</u> level job?	try	14
6. The English brought star <u>lings</u> to America.	lings	14
7. Speakers love appl <u>ause</u> .	ause	20
8. No one likes to be defra <u>uded</u> .	uded	19
9. I wish you wouldn't be so partic <u>ular</u> .	icular	19
10. Famili <u>arity</u> breeds contempt.	arity	18
11. Please give at least one spec <u>ific</u> example.	ific	21
12. My older sister is an electric <u>ian</u> .	cian	24
13. My older brother is a music <u>ian</u> .	cian	24
14. We told him not to panic, but he still panic <u>ked</u> .	ked	27
15. Afterwards, he was very apolo <u>getic</u> .	etic	27
16. Have you notic <u>ed</u> how quickly you're learning?	iced	31
17. AVKO spec <u>ial</u> izes in helping people learn.	cial	34
18. It is cruc <u>ial</u> that you learn certain spelling concepts.	cial	33
19. It will prove benefic <u>ial</u> if you can master them.	cial	33
20. Careful watching of commerc <u>ials</u> can help your reading.	cial	34

* These words were never given, but other forms of these words were used.

Evaluation Test #2 (After 80 Days)

	Pattern being tested	Lesson word is in
1. It would be a mir <u>acle</u> if Chicago won the series.	acle	41
2. The patient made a mir <u>aculous</u> recovery.	aculous	43
3. The two countries signed a non-aggression <u>pact</u> .	act	45
4. Sugar attr <u>acts</u> ants.	acts	46
5. Do you like previews of coming attr <u>actions</u> ?	actions	48
6. We stand corr <u>ected</u> .	ected	51
7. Do you need dir <u>ections</u> on how to get there?	ections	52
8. You really should wear prot <u>ective</u> headgear.	ective	55
9. We attended three <u>lectures</u> last year.	ectures	54
10. That patient is on a restr <u>icted</u> diet.	icted	59
11. How many of the psychic's pred <u>ictions</u> came true?	ictions	60
12. How many heat <u>ducts</u> are there in this room?	ucts	62
13. My brother works for a constr <u>uction</u> company.	uction	64
14. I think my sister has a real attit <u>ude</u> problem.	ude	65
15. How do you think I arrived at that concl <u>usion</u> ?	usion	68
16. What would you like inscribed on your <u>tombstone</u> ?	omb	71
17. Have you seen the latest house des <u>igns</u> ?	igns	70
18. Our national debt seems to keep incre <u>asing</u> .	easing	76
19. I don't like to be threat <u>ened</u> by anyone.	ened	79
20. We gave them new swe <u>aters</u> for their anniversary.	eaters	80

Evaluation Test #3 (After 120 Days)

	Pattern being tested	Lesson word is in
1. Do you like standing in a rec <u>ei</u> ving line?	ceiving	84
2. Most people enjoy going to a wedding recep <u>tion</u> .	ception	84
3. I like people who are che <u>er</u> ful.	eerful	85
4. They did what they were asked to do che <u>er</u> fully.	eerfully	86
5. It's no fun losing your <u>lugga</u> ge on vacation.	age	87
6. Sometimes it's necessary to have a strict <u>bud</u> get.	udge	89
7. When was post <u>age</u> less than a dime?	age	91
8. Cattle are <u>slaughte</u> red everyday in stockyards.	aughtered	91
9. My neighbor enjoys lifting <u>weigh</u> ts.	eights	94
10. The squ <u>ea</u> ky wheel gets the grease.	eaky	95
11. Our motor needs to be overh <u>aul</u> ed.	auled	99
12. The two reb <u>el</u> s were caught and tried for treason.	els	98
13. Not all reb <u>ell</u> ions are successful.	ellions	99
14. Some people are very imp <u>uls</u> ive.	ulsive	104
15. I dislike people who are always qu <u>arre</u> ling (<u>quarrelling</u>).	arreling*	108
16. People should act <u>civil</u> ized.	ivilized	110
17. The <u>pro</u> wlers were caught by the police.	owlers	112
18. The out <u>fiel</u> ders collided going for the flyball.	ielders	116
19. They prob <u>ab</u> ly didn't hear each other yell, "It's mine."	obably	114
20. The mayor was unav <u>ail</u> able for comment.	ailable	118

* Both -eling and -elling are correct! But a writer should be consistent. Either all words like quarrel, shovel, tunnel, etc. should take double -l's in the -ed and -ing forms or just single -l's. Single l's are traditionally American spelling. Double l's, British.

Evaluation Test #4 (After 160 Days)

	Pattern Being Tested	Lesson word is in
1. I just love Southern hospita <u>ality</u> .	ality	122
2. I wish you would stop being so irrita <u>ble</u> .	able	122
3. Your handwriting is absolutely illegi <u>ble</u> .	ible	125
4. Your work is incredi <u>bly</u> good.	ibly	126
5. We all have different responsi <u>bilities</u> .	ilities	132
6. There ought to be room in the program for flexi <u>bility</u> .	ility	135
7. Just what is trou <u>bling</u> you?	oubling	140
8. I wish you would stop nee <u>dling</u> me.	eedling	140
9. That movie was just absolutely overwh <u>elming</u> .	elming	144
10. I would love to hear a rapper sing a <u>folk</u> song.	olk	141
11. Everyone should have a good strong pu <u>lse</u> .	ulse	145
12. There's no excuse for <u>assaulting</u> another person.	aulting	148
13. What a rev <u>olting</u> development this is.	olting	152
14. Have you ever kept a New Year's res <u>olution</u> ?	olution	152
15. What's the <u>problem</u> ?	oblem	153
16. All syste <u>ms</u> are go.	tems	154
17. The governor procla <u>imed</u> today as NOW day.	aimed	155
18. That was an official procla <u>amation</u> .	amation	156
19. Do you know the sympto <u>ms</u> of pellagra?	ptoms	158
20. They held the school play in the auditor <u>orium</u> .	orium	160

FINAL EVALUATION TEST

	Pattern being tested	Lesson word is in
1. We have some unfin <u>ished</u> business to attend to.	ished	4
2. Actors just love appl <u>ause</u> .	ause	20
3. Famili <u>arity</u> breeds contempt.	arity	18
4. My older sister is an electric <u>ian</u> .	cian	24
5. AVKO spec <u>ial</u> izes in helping people learn.	cial	34
6. Do you like previews of coming attr <u>actions</u> ?	actions	48
7. How many of the psychic's pre <u>dictions</u> came true?	dictions	60
8. How do you think I arrived at that concl <u>usion</u> ?	usion	68
9. We gave them new swe <u>aters</u> for their anniversary.	eaters	80
10. My sister works for a constr <u>uction</u> company.	uction	64
11. Do you like standing in a rece <u>iving</u> line?	ceiving	84
12. Most people enjoy going to a wedding rece <u>ption</u> .	ception	84
13. Cattle are sla <u>ughtered</u> everyday in stockyards.	aughtered	91
14. Some people are very imp <u>ulsive</u> .	ulsive	104
15. The mayor was unav <u>ailable</u> for comment.	ailable	118
16. I just love Southern hospita <u>lity</u> .	ality	122
17. We all have different respons <u>ibilities</u> .	ilities	132
18. Have you ever kept a New Year's resol <u>ution</u> ?	olution	152
19. The governor procla <u>imed</u> today as NOW day.	aimed	155
20. That was an official procla <u>mation</u> .	amation	156
21. Have you re <u>membered</u> everything I've taught you?	membered	163
22. Never eat scr <u>ambled</u> eggs that have turned green.	ambled	163
23. Be careful when making an ass <u>umption</u> about anything.	umption	167
24. I hate to hear a dog wh <u>imper</u> ing.	impering	172
25. I have a friend who has become a veget <u>arian</u> .	arian	175