

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 the 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 (and teachers) 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, 5-6 = 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. Has that suspect <u>confessed</u> to the murder yet?	essed	2
2. I hope we don't have another <u>depression</u> .	ession	4
3. I have not <u>dismissed</u> this class yet.	issued	7
4. We'll have a group <u>discussion</u> tomorrow.	ussion	8
5. What was that group <u>protesting</u> over?	esting	12
6. I would like to make a <u>suggestion</u> .	estion	12
7. The policeman caught the <u>thief</u> red-handed.	ief	13
8. We <u>believe</u> * you.	ieve	14
9. I love going to wedding <u>receptions</u> *.	ceptions	16
10. I am really <u>puzzled</u> by your reaction.	uzzled	19
11. There is too much <u>suffering</u> in this world.	uffering	20
12. We should have our roof <u>repaired</u> before it leaks.	aired	23
13. I wish you would stop <u>staring</u> at me.	aring	24
14. We were <u>prepared</u> for almost any emergency.	ared	27
15. I wish you would stop <u>comparing</u> me to my sister.	aring	28
16. Do you know the <u>password</u> ?	wor	27
17. We were really <u>worried</u> about you.	wor	27
18. Yes, they called a <u>charging</u> foul on Michael Jordan.	arging	32
19. I can remember the last time I got a <u>whipping</u> .	ipping	32
20. My cousin <u>skipped</u> the fourth grade.	ipped	35

* 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. Did your neighbor sell his <u>prop</u> erty?	operty	36
2. The little kids <u>splashed</u> around in the pool all day.	ashed	39
3. We were simply <u>crushed</u> to find we weren't invited.	ushed	39
4. The thief was caught hiding in the <u>bushes</u> .	ushes	42
5. You can make paste by mixing <u>flour</u> with water.	our	45
6. Do the rains in April bring on the <u>flowers</u> in May?	owers	46
7. Oh, how I hate to get up in the <u>morning</u> .	orning	48
8. We <u>reported</u> the accident to the police.	orted	51
9. Sometimes names are hard to pron <u>ounce</u> .	ounce	51
10. My sister is taking up acc <u>ounting</u> in college.	ounting	52
11. I wish you would stop <u>clowning</u> around.	owning	56
12. I wonder what the Mona Lisa was <u>smiling</u> about.	iling	56
13. Would you like a rept <u>ile</u> for a pet?	ile	57
14. We won a cons <u>olation</u> prize.	olation	60
15. I sometimes have to be rem <u>inded</u> about the time.	inded	63
16. Would somebody please open that <u>window</u> for me?	indow	61
17. Have you ever fished with a bamb <u>oo</u> pole?	oo	63
18. It's no fun to be mar <u>ooned</u> on a desert island.	ooned	67
19. How would you like to be rem <u>embered</u> ?	embered	71
20. I wish they would stop <u>grumbling</u> all the time.	umbling	72

Evaluation Test #3 (After 120 Days)

	Pattern being tested	Lesson word is in
1. I hope our neighbors weren't <u>swindled</u> .	indled	74
2. We <u>asked</u> them to come to our house first.	asked	79
3. They sent us several <u>baskets</u> of flowers.	askets	80
4. They had to trim several <u>branches</u> off the tree.	anches	78
5. Water really <u>quenches</u> your thirst.	enches	82
6. Children should be taught to never play with <u>matches</u> .	atches	86
7. The injured player was carried out on a <u>stretcher</u> .	etcher	88
8. If there's anything I hate, it's listening to <u>lectures</u> .	ectures	90
9. The player suffered a <u>fracture</u> .	acture	89
10. It's hard to <u>picture</u> a president in hair curlers.	icture	89
11. It's fun to play <u>volley</u> ball.	olley	93
12. You shouldn't have disob <u>eyed</u> orders.	eyed	95
13. We watched the ball game from the <u>bleachers</u> .	eachers	96
14. It's time we called a <u>screeching</u> halt to this nonsense.	eeching	100
15. Nitroglycerin is highly un <u>stable</u> .	able	99
16. Everybody has all kinds of different <u>abilities</u> .	abilities	100
17. Do you remember who <u>starred</u> in <i>Gone With the Wind</i> ?	arred	103
18. How many times do you have to be <u>warned</u> about that?	arned	103
19. When I hurt my foot, I had to walk on <u>crutches</u> .	utches	106
20. I love to hear the piano played with a light <u>touch</u> .	ouch	105

Evaluation Test #4 (After 160 Days)

	Pattern Being Tested	Lesson word is in
1. What is the <u>cheapest</u> shot you've ever heard?	eapest	111
2. We have succ <u>eeded</u> where others have failed.	eeded	111
3. The lemonade needs some extra sw <u>eetening</u> .	eetening	116
4. We were <u>slightly</u> late for church.	ightly	116
5. Look what the cat <u>brought</u> in! A dead mouse!	ought	117
6. Both my <u>daughters</u> are married and have careers.	aughters	118
7. Sometimes you need recomm <u>endations</u> to get a job.	endations	124
8. Diamond rings can be very, very exp <u>ensive</u> .	ensive	124
9. I wish you would stop pret <u>ending</u> to be an expert.	ending	123
10. What was Juliet doing up on the balc <u>ony</u> ?	ony	125
11. Nobody likes to be overl <u>ooked</u> .	ooked	130
12. We were <u>worried</u> about you.	orried	135
13. Has it ever occ <u>urred</u> to you that you might be wrong?	urred	135
14. Smoking is haz <u>ardous</u> to your health.	ardous	140
15. I think you need some more inf <u>ormation</u> before you go.	ormation	144
16. I wish you would stop squi <u>irming</u> in your seat.	irming	144
17. I hope you have <u>learned</u> your lesson.	earned	147
18. Nothing quenches your th <u>irst</u> like water.	irst	149
19. Jack is always <u>boasting</u> about how good he is.	oasting	156
20. This test will be contin <u>ued</u> tomorrow. Just kidding.	ued	159

FINAL EVALUATION TEST

	Pattern being tested	Lesson word is in
1. I hope we don't have another <u>depression</u> .	ession	4
2. We'll have a group <u>discussion</u> tomorrow.	ussion	4
3. I love going to wedding <u>receptions</u> .	eptions	16
4. We were really <u>worried</u> about you.	worried	27
5. My cousin <u>skipped</u> the fourth grade.	ipped	35
6. We were simply <u>crushed</u> to find we weren't invited.	ushed	39
7. My sister is taking up <u>accounting</u> in college.	ounting	52
8. I sometimes have to be <u>reminded</u> about the time.	inded	63
9. It's no fun to be <u>marooned</u> on a desert island.	ooned	67
10. I wish they would stop <u>grumbling</u> all the time.	umbling	72
11. They had to trim several <u>branches</u> off the tree.	anches	78
12. The injured player was carried out on a <u>stretcher</u> .	etcher	88
13. The player suffered a <u>fracture</u> .	acture	89
14. Do you remember who <u>starred</u> in <i>Gone With the Wind</i> ?	arred	103
15. When I hurt my foot, I had to walk on <u>crutches</u> .	utches	106
16. We have <u>succeeded</u> where others have failed.	eeded	111
17. Both my <u>daughters</u> are married and have careers.	aughters	118
18. Has it ever <u>occurred</u> to you that you might be wrong.	urred	135
19. I hope you have <u>learned</u> your lesson.	earned	147
20. Jill is always <u>boasting</u> about how good she is.	oasting	156
21. What's <u>happening</u> ?	appening	164
22. I wish people were better <u>listeners</u> than talkers.	isteners	162
23. We are on a really tight <u>budget</u> .	udget	165
24. My cousin plays the <u>trumpet</u> .	umpet	171
25. I hate being called in and put on the <u>carpet</u> .	arpet	169