

Sequential Spelling 3

for Home School

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	1st day	2nd day	3rd day	4th day
1.	gas	gasses	gassed	gassing
2.	gasoline	gasoline	gassy	gasoline
3.	* alas	alas	sassafras	sassafras
4.	* a lass	lasses	lassie	lassies
5.	glass	glasses	classy	classiest
6.	class	classes	classed	classing
7.	grass	grasses	passer	passers
8.	pass	passes	* passed	passing
9.	trespass	trespasses	trespassed	trespassers
10.	surpass	surpasses	surpassed	surpassing
11.	mass	masses	* massed	massing
12.	** bass	overpass	bluegrass	spyglass
13.	brass	underpass	bypass	eyeglasses
14.	yes	* Les	* Wes	dresser
15.	mess	messes	messed	messing
16.	guess	guesses	* guessed	guessing
17.	dress	dresses	dressed	dressing
18.	undress	undressed	* less	unless
19.	process	processed	processing	processed
20.	success	successes	successful	successfully
21.	bless	* blessed	successive	succession
22.	confess	confessed	confessing	confession
23.	profess	professed	professor	profession
24.	press	presses	pressed	pressing
25.	depress	depressed	depressing	depression

*** Homophones:**

alas/a lass
 passed/past
 massed/mast
 Wes/west
 Les/less
 blessed/blest
 guessed/guest

Alas, it was a lass and not a lad that won the tournament.
 When we passed through Chicago, it was way past midnight.
 The men in *Moby Dick* were massed around the mast of the ship.
 Wes is short for Wesley. Cleveland is west of Albany.
 Les is short for Lester, more or less.
 We were blessed (or blest) as the case may be.
 The guest guessed correctly to wait for the host to begin eating.

*** Heteronyms:** bass (“bass”)/bass (“BAY’s”) We went fishing for bass. Jack sang bass.

See the complete -ass family on p. 156 in *The Patterns of English Spelling* (TPES); the -aw, p. 319.

	5th day	6th day	7th day	8th day
1.	impress	impressed	impressive	impression
2.	compress	compresses	compressing	compression
3.	decompress	decompressed	decompresses	decompression
4.	oppress	oppressed	oppressive	oppression
5.	express	expressed	expressive	expression
6.	stress	stressed	stresses	stressing
7.	distress	excess	excessive	lesson
8.	assess	assessed	assessment	assessor
9.	nevertheless	Bess	chess	housedress
10.	bench-press	access	Tess	Bess
11.	possess	possessed	possessive	possession
12.**	made progress	hard-pressed	duress	Miss Hess
13.	** to progress	progressed	progressive	progression
14.	kiss	kisses	kissed	kissing
15.	miss	misses	* missed	missing
16.	dismiss	dismisses	dismissed	dismissal
17.	* amiss	hit-and-miss	Swiss	bliss
18.	a Miss Smith	hiss	hissed	hissing
19.	bus	buses	* bused	busing
20.	pus	busses	* bussed	bussing
21.	plus	thus	beauty	beautiful
22.	fuss	fusses	fussed	fussing
23.	cuss	cusses	cussed	cussing
24.	discuss	discusses	discussed	discussion
25.	truss	trusses	*** buss	focus

* **Homophones:**

missed/mist

bussed/bust/bused.

amiss/a miss

When the mayor of London visited Arizona, he said he missed the mist.

The bust of Shakespeare was bused (or bussed) from school to school.

What do you call something wrong with a girl? Something amiss with a miss.

** **Heteronyms:**

progress n. ("PRAH gress")/progress v. ("proh GRESS")

*** **NOTES:** The word *buss* means to kiss.

See the complete -iss family on p. 158 in *The Patterns of English Spelling* (TPES); the -uss, p. 160; the -us, p. 160.

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.	worried	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.

Name _____

Date _____

Evaluation Test #1

Please, please, please do NOT start until your teacher gives you the directions.

You must stay with your teacher as she reads the sentences.

All you have to do is to fill in the blanks with the missing letters.

1. Has that suspect con_____ to the murder yet?
2. I hope we don't have another depr_____.
3. I have not dism_____ this class yet.
4. We'll have a group disc_____ tomorrow.
5. What was that group prot_____ over?
6. I would like to make a sugg_____.
7. The policeman caught the th_____ red-handed.
8. We bel_____ you.
9. I love going to wedding re_____.
10. I am really p_____ by your reaction.
11. There is too much s_____ in this world.
12. We should have our roof rep_____ before it leaks.
13. I wish you would stop st_____ at me.
14. We were pre_____ for almost any emergency.
15. I wish you would stop com_____ me to my sister.
16. Do you know the pass_____d?
17. We were really _____ about you.
18. Yes, they called a ch_____ foul on Michael Jordan.
19. I can remember the last time I got a wh_____.
20. My cousin sk_____ the fourth grade.