

Dear Family:

In Unit 12, Foundations® introduces students to words that have more than one syllable. I need you to encourage your child to **scoop** each syllable when the word is read. For example, scoop the word **napkin** into two syllables like this:

n a p k i n

This is key in teaching a child to break down a word into its parts.

I will be working on **multisyllabic words** for the next three weeks.

Some words will be compound words or words that are made up of two parts. Each part can be a word by itself, for example, in the word “**sunfish**” - **sun** is a word and **fish** is a word.

Then, I shall work with words that have two consonants between the two vowels such as in the word “**magnet**” and words with closed and vowel-consonant-e syllables combined, like “**reptile.**”

The spelling procedure used to teach multisyllabic words is very important. (See the next page for these instructions.) Yes, there are several steps, however each is important to help develop the skill of breaking a word down into its parts.

Once again **thank you** for all of your help.

Sincerely,





## How to Teach Spelling of Multisyllabic Words

The spelling procedure used to teach **multisyllabic words** is very important. You may want to keep these directions handy while working with your child.

1. Hand your child two blank index cards (or any blank paper).
2. Dictate a word such as **sunfish**.
3. Have your child repeat the word and place a blank index card down for each syllable.  
  
Your child says "**sun**" and puts down one blank card.  
  
Your child says "**fish**" and puts down another blank card.
4. Next, have your child touch the first blank card and spell the first syllable **s - u - n**, then write the syllable saying the letters: "**s - u - n, sun.**"
5. Next, have your child touch the second blank card and spell the second syllable **f - i - s - h**, then write the syllable saying the letters: "**f - i - s - h, fish.**"

**Remember to continue reading aloud to your child.**

Reading can be hard work for a First Grader. Find some time just to read aloud to your child so that he or she realizes that reading can be for pleasure! Try the books listed below.

Title	Author	Publisher / Date
<i>Charlotte's Web</i>	White, E.B.	HarperCollins; 1974
<i>A Child's Garden of Verses</i>	Stevenson, R.L.	HarperCollins; 2011
<i>Fantastic Mr. Fox</i>	Dahl, R.	Alfred A. Knopf; 1970
<i>Homer Price</i>	McCloskey, R.	Penguin; 1976
<i>Mr. Popper's Penguins</i>	Atwater, R.	Little, Brown Books for Young Readers; 1992
<i>Ramona Quimby, Age 8</i>	Cleary, B.	HarperCollins; 1992
<i>Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young</i>	Prelutsky, J.	Random House Children's Books; 1986



## Homework Guide

Review reading and spelling **multisyllabic words** with your child during the next 3 weeks.

Please refer to the directions for the multisyllabic spelling procedure in the letter.

### Follow These 5 Steps:

1. Dictate the word and have your child echo the word.
2. Have your child tap out the sounds in one syllable words. Do not tap trick words (in bold).
3. Have your child name each syllable in two syllable words. Then name and write the first syllable, and name and write the second syllable.
4. Have your child tell you the letters that go with those sounds.
5. Write the letters.

### WEEK 1

Dictate the words and sentence to your child following the 4 steps listed above.

On Monday Dictate	<b>Review Words</b> →	stinging	chunks	tame
On Tuesday Dictate	<b>Current Words</b> →	tomcat	catfish	bathmat
On Wednesday Dictate	<b>Trick Words</b> →	<b>people</b>	<b>month</b>	<b>none</b>
On Thursday Dictate	<b>Sentence</b> →	Beth did not miss the sunset.		

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## Do the "Match and Memory Game" Activity

1. Write each syllable below on a blank index card.
2. Turn them over, with the First Syllables in one column and the Last Syllables in another column. **Make sure to change the order of cards in the second column.**
3. Take turns flipping over a card from the First Syllables Column, then selecting one card from the Last Syllables Column to see if you can make a word. If it matches keep the word.
4. Read all matched words.

**First Syllable Column**

sun  
bath  
ex  
cob  
up  
ab  
den  
nap  
chip

**Last Syllable Column**

set  
tub  
pect  
web  
set  
sent  
tist  
kin  
munk

WEEK 1

people

month

WEEK 2

been

little

WEEK 3

want

Mr.

Mrs.

own

→ **Cut words into flashcards.** 1. Each night, help your child **read** all Trick Words from previous units, as well as these. 2. Have your child **trace** each new Trick Word with his or her finger and **spell** it aloud; and 3. Cover up the Trick Word and have your child write it with his or her finger on the table while naming each letter.



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3. dentist
4. people
5. invent
6. upset
7. sunlit
8. month
9. unzip
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




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

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## Writing Grid for Word and Sentence Homework



### Review Words



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### Current Words



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### Trick Words



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
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
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

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
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## Grade 1 Reading Comprehension Worksheet

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Read the passage. Then answer each question.

### PEANUTS AND POPCORN

John is going to a baseball game with his aunt. He can't wait to get there. It is the first game of the season. The stadium is almost full.

He loves to watch baseball, but his favorite part of going to games is eating the snacks. There are many different snacks at baseball games.

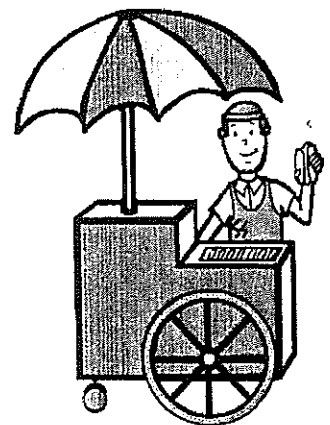
A man in a red hat walks up and down the aisles selling peanuts and popcorn.

Guess which is John's favorite.

John likes them both. He especially likes mixing peanuts and popcorn together. If he is really hungry he will have a hot dog.

#### Answer the Questions:

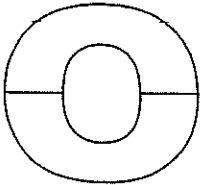
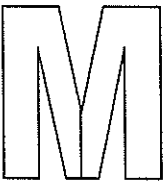
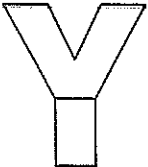
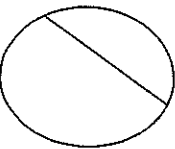
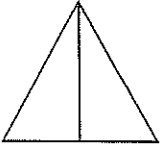
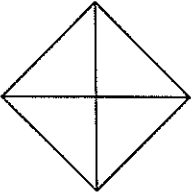
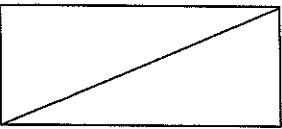
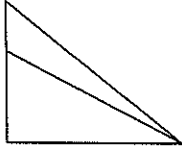
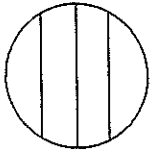
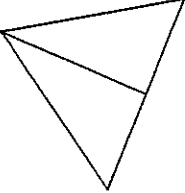
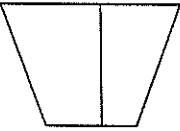
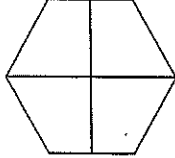
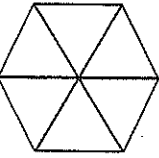


1. Where is John going?
2. Who is he going with?
3. Who sells the peanuts and popcorn?
4. What does John do with the peanuts and popcorn?



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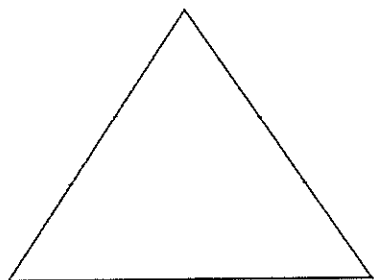
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1. Are the shapes divided into equal parts? Write **Y** for yes or **N** for no. If the shape has equal parts, write how many equal parts there are on the line. The first one has been done for you.

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<p>d.</p>  <p>_____</p>	<p>e.</p>  <p>_____</p>	<p>f.</p>  <p>_____</p>
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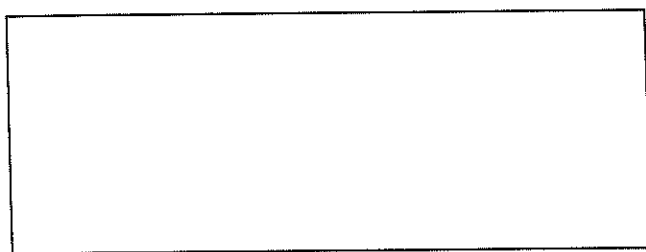


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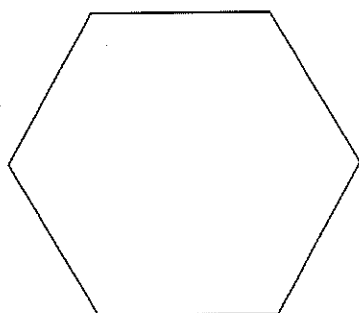
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3. Draw 2 lines to make 4 equal parts. What smaller shapes did you make?



I made 4 \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Draw lines to make 6 equal parts. What smaller shapes did you make?



I made 6 \_\_\_\_\_.