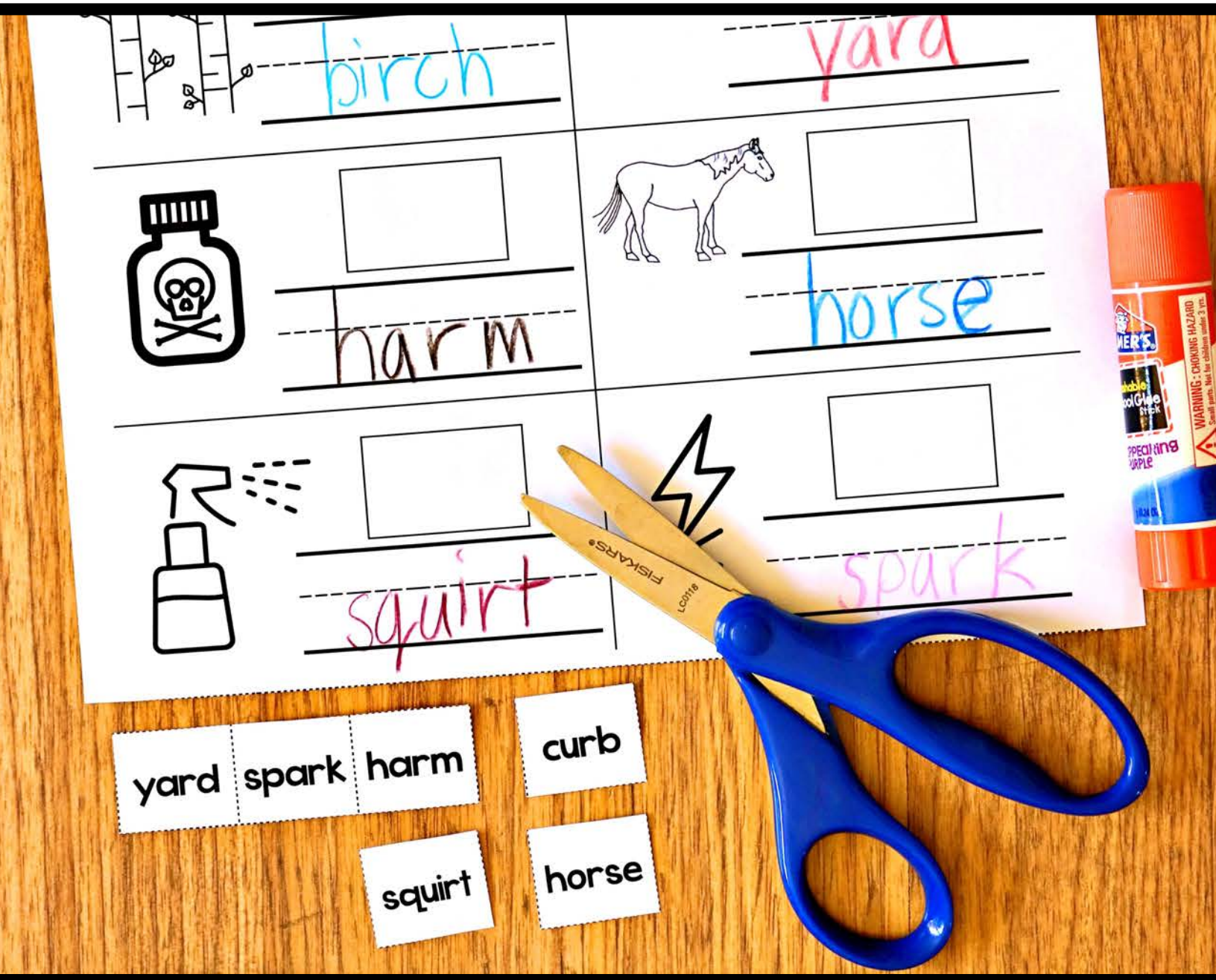
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PHONICS WORKSHEETS



R-Controlled Vowels

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* Words do not have blending cues at this level. If students are working on Long Vowel Teams, they should have mastered consonants, digraphs, and blends, as well as the skills of blending, segmenting, and reading a word. Instead of blending cues, there is more space around the vowel team to emphasize it. If students cannot blend, segment, and read words without blending cues, consider reviewing those skills outside of these worksheets.
* A few of the missing worksheets, while appropriate for the CVC Short Vowels, Digraphs, or VCE, are too easy and repetitive for the higher phonics patterns. They have been removed. Some worksheets have also been revised to increase their complexity.
* Worksheet #11 has two versions: 1 has shaded words to help students match the word and picture. The other version does not have shaded words.

R-Controlled Vowels - ar, er, ir, or, ur

The following words are included on the worksheets in this product. Worksheets with sentences will have previously taught words included in the sentences. Short vowel words are used as distractors and are sprinkled throughout the worksheets. Also included is the short vowel EA combination. Sight words are used within sentences only.

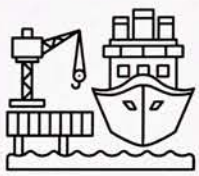
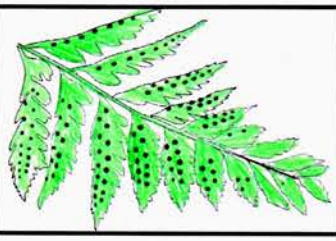
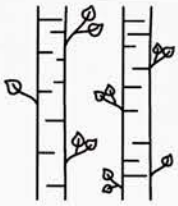
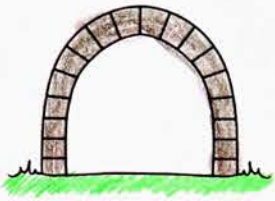
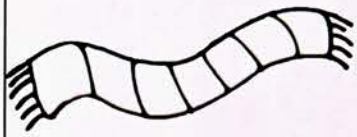
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bar	starve	herd	chirp	cord	your	burp
barge	yard	perch	dirt	core	court	church
bark	yarn	verb	fir	cork		curb
barn			firm	corn		curl
car			first	for		curve
card	dwarf		girl	fork		fur
cart	quart		shirt	fort		hurt
carve	swarm		sir	horn		nurse
charm	war		skirt	horse		purr
chart	warn		squirm	more		purse
dark	wart		squirt	north		slurp
dart			stir	porch		spur
far			swirl	pork		surf
farm			third	port		turn
hard			twirl	shore		
harm			whirl	short		
harp				sport		
jar				store		
large				storm		
mark				sworn		
park				thorn		
part				torch		
scar				tore		
scarf				torn		
shark				worn		
sharp				door		
smart				poor		

#1 Color the Picture

Name: _____

Segment. Blend. Read. Color the picture that matches.

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thorn			
yarn			
fern			
bird			
arch			
swirl			
turn			



#3 Read. Trace. Write.

Segment. Blend. Read. Trace. Write.

Name: _____

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segment, blend, read	trace	write
slurp	slurp	slurp
star	star	star
birth	birth	birth
floor	floor	floor
cord	cord	cord
term	term	term
art	art	art



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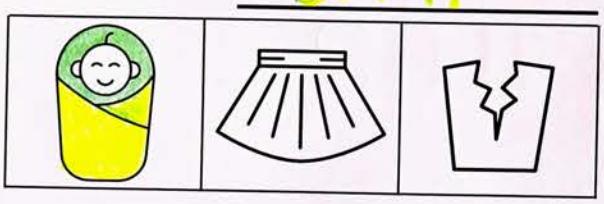
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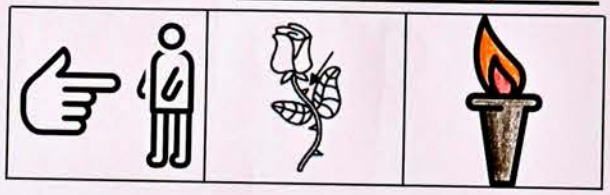
Read the word. Write the word. Color the picture that matches.

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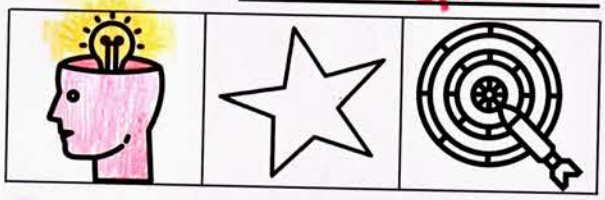
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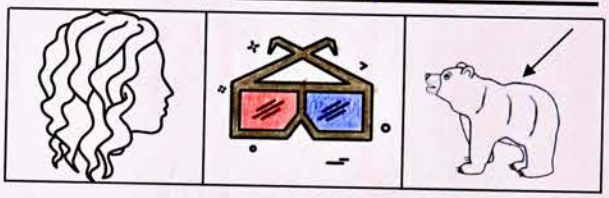
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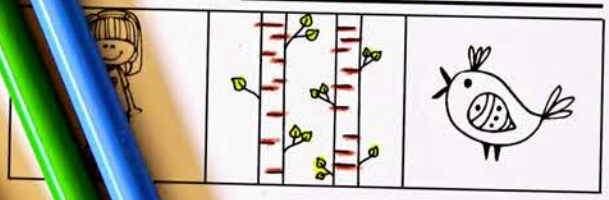
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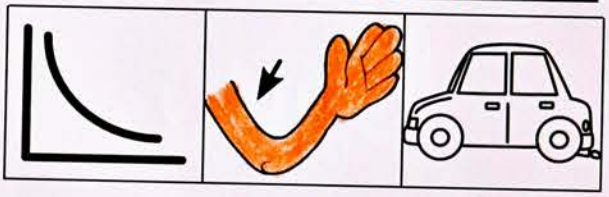
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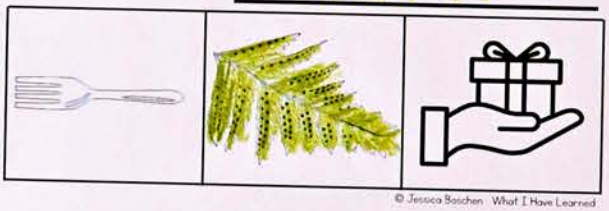
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a



fern



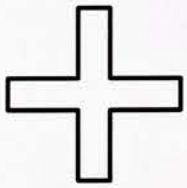
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#5 Spell & Write

Name: _____

Circle the letters that spell the word. Write the word.

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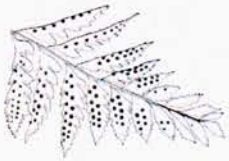
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more



ch	ar	t
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chart



fr	er	m
f	ar	n

fern



g	or	ll
c	ir	l

girl



tw	ar	t
dw	er	f

dwarf



b	urr
p	our

purr



b	er	c
br	ar	k

bark



k	ur	t
h	ar	d

hurt

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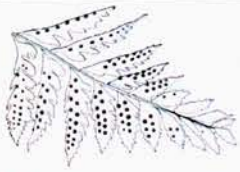
#6 Match & Write

Name: _____

Find the word that matches each picture. Write it.

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barge	wart	first	horse
dark	fern	whirl	storm
mark	perch	chore	blurt



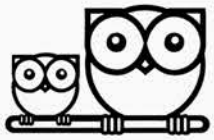
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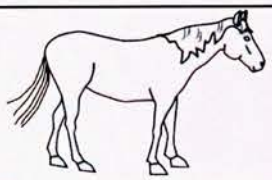
wart



perch



dark



horse



barge



storm



first



whirl



mark



chore

#7 Color the Word & Write

Name: _____

Color the word that matches the picture. Copy the word onto the lines below it.

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shore | **store** | sore

store



charge | **charm** | car

charm



third | **thorn** | corn

thorn



spur | **blur** | purr

blur



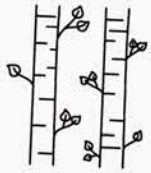
start | star | smart

start



gum | **germ** | great

germ



birch | beach | breach

birch

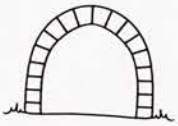


fern | **firm** | fun

firm



squirm | squid | squirt



arch | art | arc

arch



for | **four** | from

four



stark | lark | **mark**

mark



fur | **purr** | herd

purr



jar | **far** | fur

far

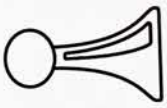
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#8 Read and Check

Check the sentence that matches the picture.

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- ☐ She rides a horse to the store.
- ☑ Can you ask him to blow his horn?



- ☑ Do not eat the core with the seeds.
- ☐ Have you worn the gray shirt?



- ☐ Do not squirt the bird with the hose.
- ☑ I warn you that a spark is hot.



- ☐ What kind of sport do you play?
- ☑ The black cord is too short for that.



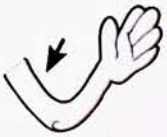
- ☑ My dog gave birth to five pups.
- ☐ The leaves on the birch tree are green



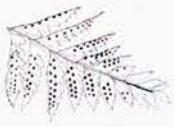
- ☐ He ran so fast, he was a blur.
- ☑ Stir the spices in the pot.



- ☑ It is dark in the barn at night.
- ☐ He made a scarf with green yarn.



- ☑ Is that mark on your arm a scar?
- ☐ My dad can play the harp.



- ☐ Run and play are both verbs.
- ☑ I got a green fern at the shop.



- ☐ When I pet my cat, she will purr.
- ☑ The nurse set her purse on the desk.

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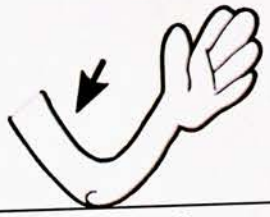
#9 Write Two Times

Write the word twice.

Name: _____

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arm



arm

bird



bird

harp



harp

charm



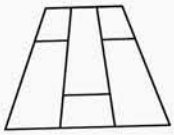
charm

spur



spur

floor



floor

porch



porch

war



war

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#10 Read. Match. Write

Use the word bank to fill in the sentence.

Name: _____

R-Controlled

~~scarf~~	~~farm~~	~~term~~	~~squirm~~	~~horse~~	~~turn~~



She rides a horse to the store



There is a red barn at the farm.



Do not blurt, but wait your turn.



He will squirm when he has to sit.



They gave me a scarf to keep warm.



I did well in math this term.

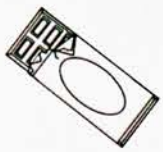
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#11 Sentence Scramble Cut & Paste

Name: _____

Cut the words. Make a sentence.

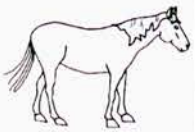
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Does | that | bar | have | nuts | in it?







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The | a | shirt.

girl | black | wore

a | He ran | he

so fast, | was

to the | rides | horse

store. | She | a

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#11 Sentence Scramble Cut & Paste

Cut the words. Make a sentence.

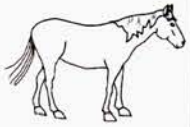
Name: _____

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The	a	shirt.	a	He ran	he
girl	black	wore	so	was	blur.
to the	rides	ho	Does	nuts	have
sto		a	in it?	that	bar



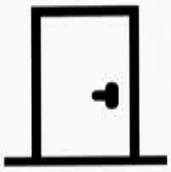
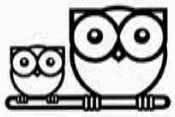
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#12 Write a Sentence

Name: _____

R-Controlled

Use the words. Write a sentence.

	door and the third knock. Go to	Go to the third door and knock.
	Feed the chick starve. will not so it	Feed the chick so it will not starve.
	is a In the barn for the hen. perch	In the barn is a perch for the hen.
	squirm to sit. he has will He when	He will squirm when he has to sit.
	home of the dwarf the tree. is in The	The home of the dwarf is in the tree.
	spur is sharp	A spur is sharp and can hurt.

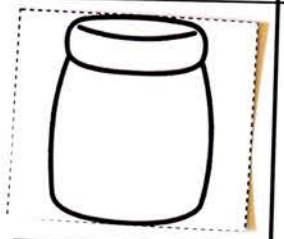
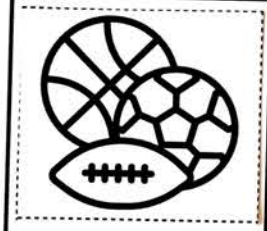
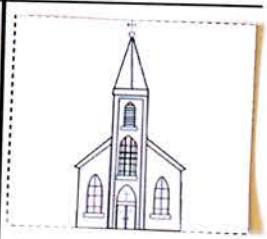
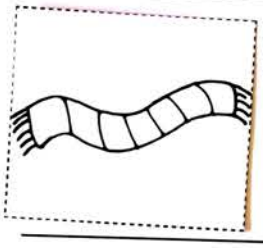
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#13 Picture Sort

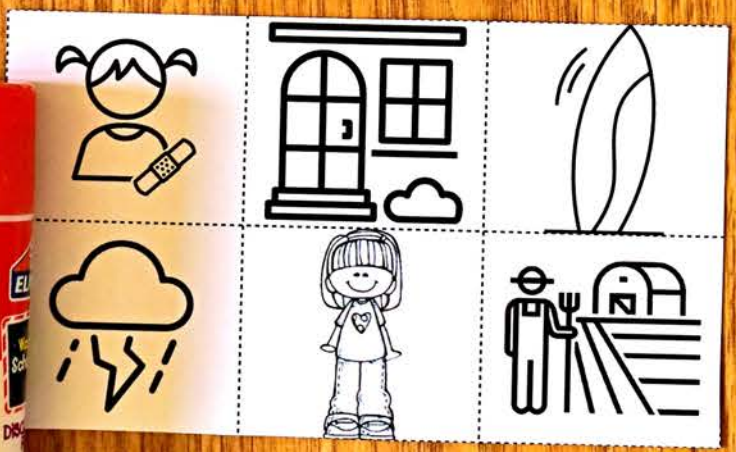
Cut. Sort. Glue.

Name: _____

R-Controlled

ar	er	ir	or	ur
				
				

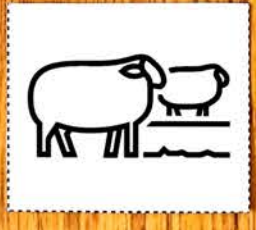
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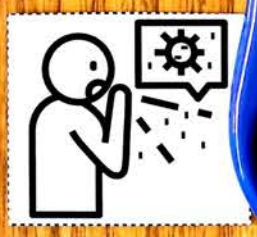














#14 Word Sort

Cut. Sort. Glue.

Name: _____

R-Controlled

ar	er	ir	or	ur
	perch		torch	nurse
			horse	



smart herd bird

germ

slurp yard turn

thorn

large

skirt

third



#15 Write by Word Family

Name: _____

Write words using the word family.

R-Controlled

ch	d	p	qu	st

-art

chart

dart

part

quart

start

d	sh	sk	squ

-irt

dirt

shirt

skirt

squirt

f	p	sh	sp

-ort

fort

port

short

sport



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#16 Cut & Paste Onset Rime Name: _____

Cut. Match. Glue.

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f irst →



ch arm →



h arm →



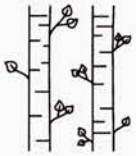
f our →



w arn →



g ☐ →



b ☐ →



b ☐ →



th ☐ →



sh ☐ →



c ☐ →



p ☐ →



bl ☐ →



d ☐ →

irch

ark

ird

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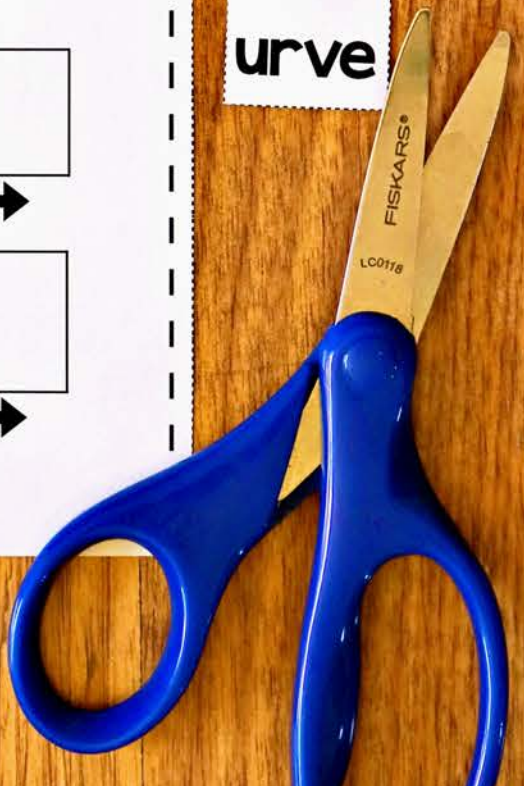
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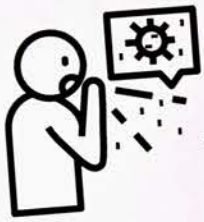


#17 Cut. Paste. Write.

Name: _____

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Find the word that matches each picture. Write it.

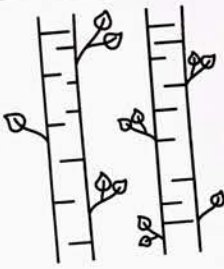


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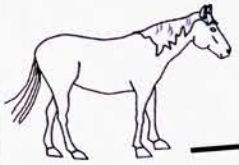
birch



yard



harm



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yard | spark | harm | curb

squirt | horse

#17 Cut. Paste. Write.

Name: _____

R-Controlled

Find the word that matches each picture. Write it.

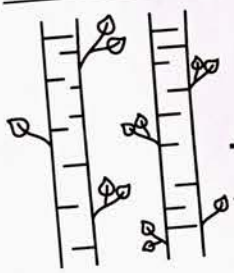


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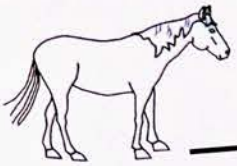
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yard | spark | harm

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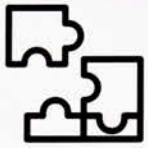


#18 Cut & Paste Onset & Rime Write

Name: _____

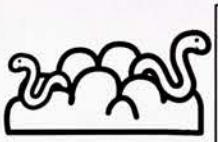
Cut. Match. Glue. Write.

R-Controlled



part

part



dirt



church

church



cord



chore

chore



start





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#20 Sentence Construction

Name: _____

Choose one phrase from each section and write a sentence.

R-Controlled

who or what	did what	add on
~~My cart~~	rides a horse	~~with me~~?
~~Will you~~	like to curl up	~~in line.~~
She	~~is third~~	both verbs.
Run and play	~~go to the park~~	in my bed.
I	are	to the store.

1. My cart is third in line.

2. Will you go to the park with me?

3.

4.



#22 Write the Rime

Write the missing part of the word.

Name: _____

R-Controlled


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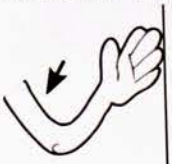
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#23 Cut & Paste Sentences

Choose the word to fill in the sentence.

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Is that mark on your [ ] a scar?



Do not eat the [core] with the seeds.



I [ ] you that a spark is hot.



The [herd] of goats was on the hill.



The bike hit the [curb] in the curve.



My mom did not like my [ ] shirt.



There is a red barn at the [ ] .



[ ] the spices in the pot.

torn

stir

arm

farm

warn





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#24 Read. Choose. Write. Draw.

Name: _____

Choose the word to fill in the sentence. Draw a picture to match.

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park | parc

Will you go to the park with me?



scirt | skirt

She will twirl in her red skirt .



bark | barke

The dog might _____ , but will do no harm.

fern | furn

I got a green _____ at the shop.

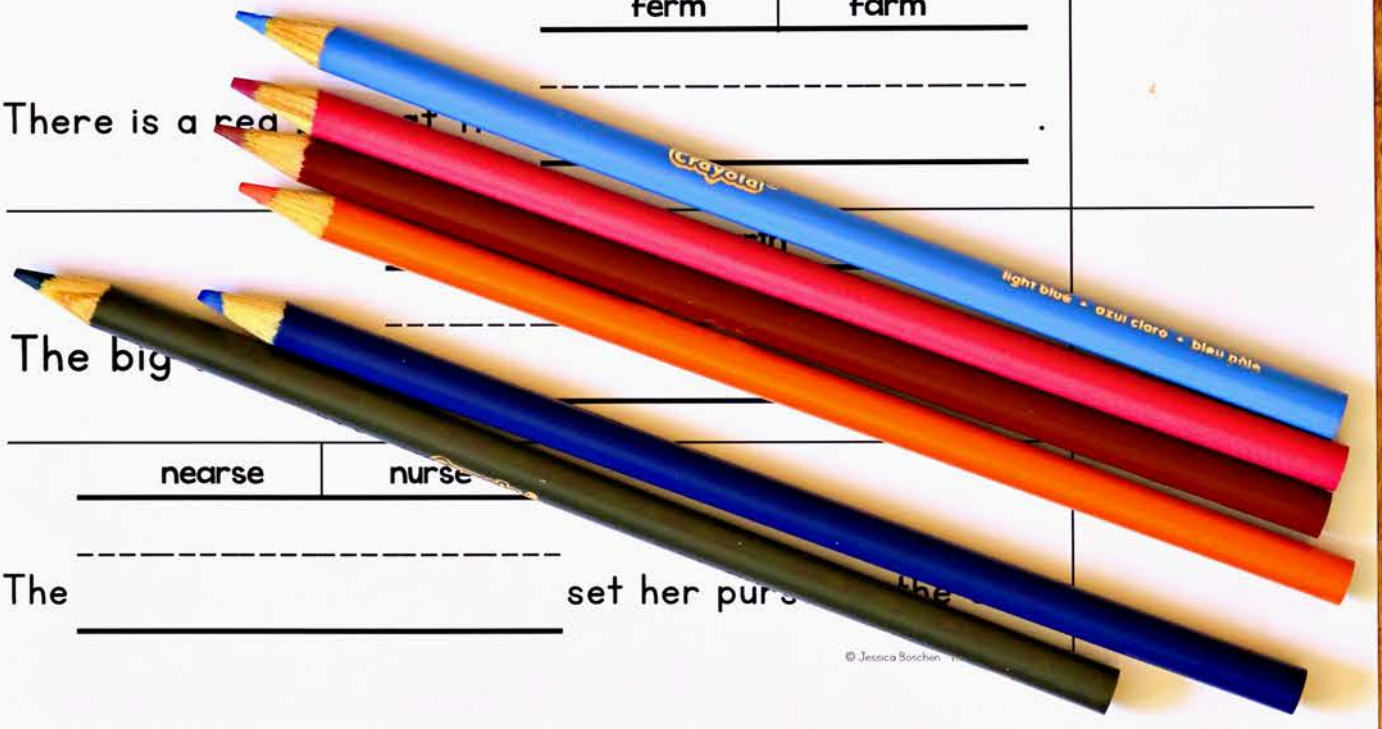
ferm | farm

There is a red _____ .

The big _____

nearse | nurse

The _____ set her purse _____



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#25 Word Search

Name: _____

Find real words with the word search. Write the words on the spaces.

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P	A	R	K	X	M	F	G	H	F
X	F	A	F	I	R	M	D	I	E
B	C	S	L	U	R	P	G	K	R
S	T	A	R	D	V	E	R	B	N
H	I	C	A	R	D	E	F	Z	U
F	B	L	U	R	T	U	L	C	F
T	V	F	A	R	C	H	O	H	L
O	X	P	F	A	R	M	O	A	E
R	P	O	R	C	H	A	R	R	W
E	N	S	C	O	U	R	T	T	U

park chart porch

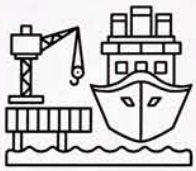
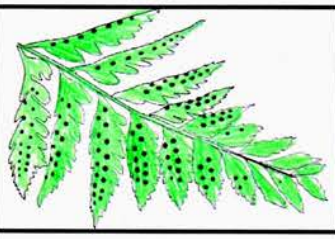
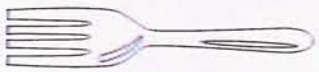
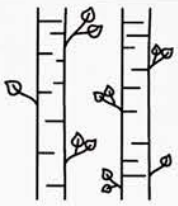
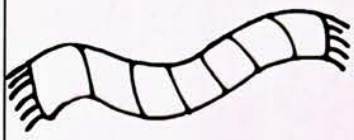
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#1 Color the Picture

Name: _____

Segment. Blend. Read. Color the picture that matches.

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thorn			
yarn			
fern			
bird			
arch			
swirl			
turn			



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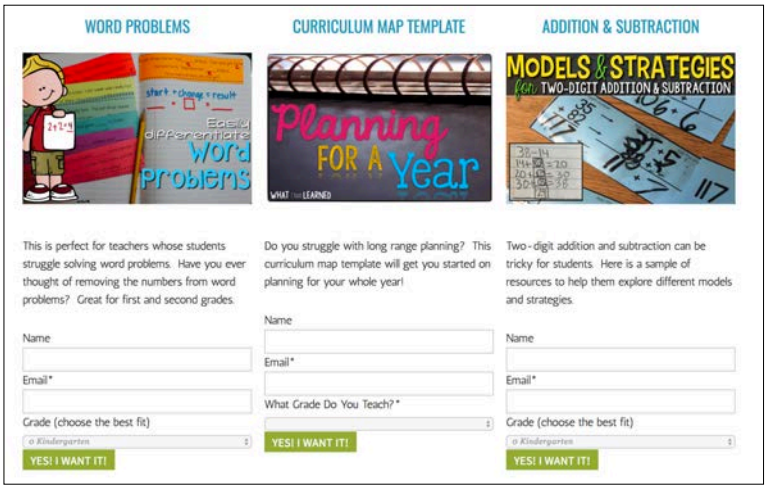
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