



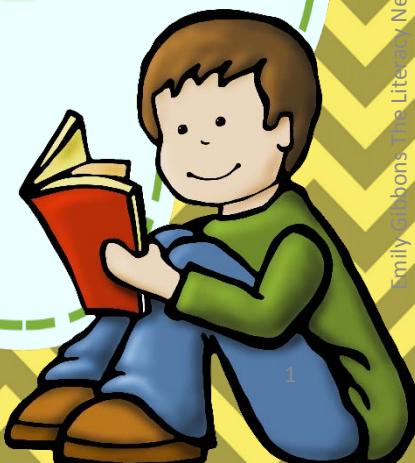
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17 Decodable

stories

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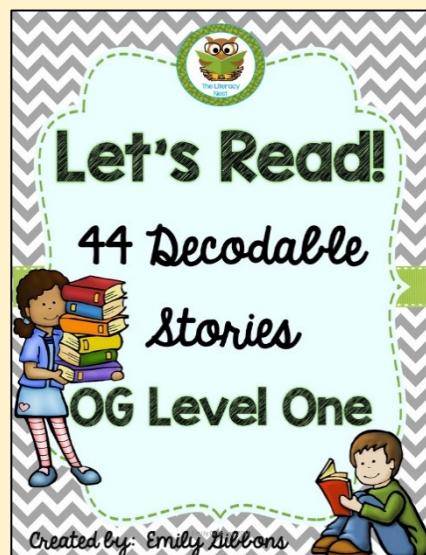
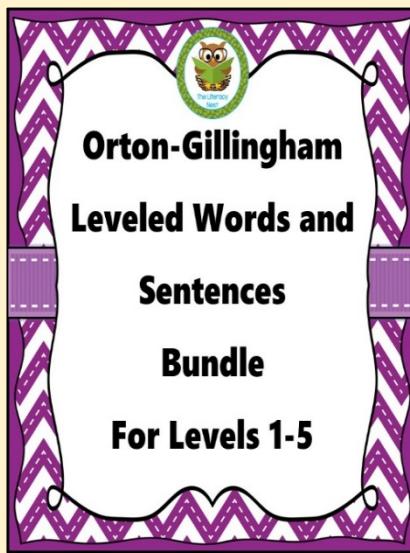
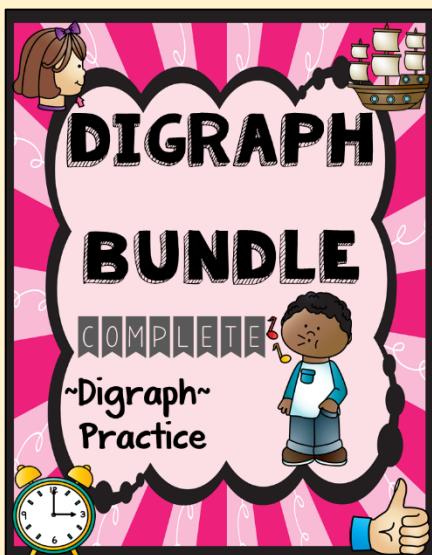
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NOTE: Please pay special attention to the Table of Contents.

This is the order of instruction I recommend. The text is controlled. You will notice the continued practice of each particular phonogram or spelling skill within the story. I also use the OG learned words (or red words, sight words) from level one and two within each story. If you're looking for more practice with learned words, [click here](#).

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*If you own any of my multi-sensory phonics packs, you'll see some of the stories from those packs are in here. I have made a few small changes to adhere to the progression a little more closely.

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Apple Crumble

Would you like to try and bake your own yummy, apple crumble? Once you eat it one piece, it'll be hard not to gobble it all up.

First, buy enough apples to fill a pan. At least ten apples will do. Peel and cut the apples into chunks in a bowl. Then, sprinkle the apples with sugar and spices like clove, and nutmeg.

Next, you'll mix a crumble to top over the apples. Use butter, brown sugar and spices. Mix it well and place it aside. After that, dump the apples into a pan. Sprinkle a little of the crumble over the top. Some people like to prepare a little butter and drizzle it over the top, but that is up to you.

Bake the apple crumble in the stove at 350 degrees for nearly an hour. Then, check the apple crumble. If there are bubbles around the top, it is done. Handle the pan with a pot holder when you take it out of the stove. Place it on a table to cool. Enjoy your yummy, apple crumble with a friend!

Highlight all the consonant + le words in yellow.

A Case Of The Fidgets

Bridget had a hard time paying attention in class. She would fidget at her desk or sit on the edge of her seat. Bridget couldn't sit still at all. It was tricky for her to concentrate. Her teacher, Miss Midge, did not wish to judge, but she had had enough of Bridget's fidgets. She wished to help her. Bridget agreed she needed some help.

First, Miss Midge had a talk with Bridget. She made her take a pledge to try and stop her fidgets. Bridget said she would try. Then, she gave her a little gadget to squeeze or fiddle with on her pencil. When Bridget felt the need to fidget, she could just play with the gadget and settle back down. Days past and the gadget on her pencil broke a smidge. It no longer seemed to help.

Miss Midge spoke with Bridget. She explained that the next time she felt a fidget, she could take a little brain break. Bridget found the brain break helped. When she returned to her desk, she did not fidget. The case of the fidgets closed!

Highlight all the -dge words in yellow.

Haircuts For Ewes

Farmer Matthew had a sheep farm in northern Canada. His farm had hundreds of yew trees all around it. Each spring, he asked his nephew to come and bring a friend to assist him on his farm. Farmer Matthew needed help sheering his ewes. He would use the wool from the ewes to spin it into yarn. Then, people could buy the yarn to make sweaters or socks for the cold winter ahead.

Sheering ewes took a few days. Farmer Matthew, his nephew and a friend, would line the ewes up and walk them into a pen. Farmer Matthew took a pair of clippers and gave each ewe a close shave. His nephew would ask if it hurt the ewes to get a haircut. Farmer Matthew would chuckle and reply, "No. Does it hurt when you go to a barber shop for a haircut?"

Once the wool was cut off the ewe, it would be cleaned and set to dry. Farmer Matthew couldn't wait to spin the fresh, ewe wool at his wheel to make yarn to sell.

Highlight all the ew words in **yellow**.

The Strewn News

Andrew had a corner newspaper stand in New York City. He was a shrewd salesman and didn't have time for tricks or pranks.

Each morning, a crew of newspaper trucks would stop at each newspaper stand in New York City. They threw their load off by Andrew's stand first. Andrew filled his stand with new newspapers to sell for the morning rush.

One blustery morning, Andrew waited for his new newspapers to come. He saw the truck come down the street, but it had a small collision with a taxi cab! Newspapers flew all over the street. Hundreds of flyers were strewn on corners and curbs.

Andrew didn't walk to the collision, he RAN! How could he sell a slew of messy newspapers at his stand now? Andrew grew upset. The drivers helped as much as possible, but a new load of newspapers would have to come instead. Will Andrew be able to sell them on time for the morning rush?

Highlight all the **ew** words in **yellow**.

Driving To The Fair

My two friends and I were hoping to go to the state fair this fall. It would be an amusing time for all of us, with many sights and interesting people there. I knew driving to the fair would take a long time. Hoping I would not have to do all the driving myself, I asked my friends if taking turns was okay. Deciding it was a great plan, we got in the car to go.

My friends and I were hoping there would be enough yummy foods for tasting at the fair. We talked about diving into a big bag of popcorn, biting into a corndog, or wading in a huge bin of sweet candy corn!

There would be no debating about taking turns riding on all the fair rides. We could all ride at the same time. Later, we passed the time by naming and describing all the farm animals we could see. Completing the fair trip would be braving a walk into the spooky, haunted shack. A trip to the state fair is the best time of the whole fall season!

Highlight all the silent e rule words in yellow.

Ponies And Candies

Babies may cry,
And ponies can whinny.
But buddies are friends,
And huskies are skinny.

Bunnies may hop,
And candies are sweet.
But daddies fix things,
And lilies smell sweet.

Pennies may get filthy,
And supplies may be few.
But fifties are money,
And parties aren't new.

Highlight all the Y Rule words in **yellow**.

Painting The Ceiling

Keith and Neil were saving to buy a new boat, and needed to make some extra cash. They were hoping to be able to take the boat out this summer for fishing trips. They received a call from a friend, Sheila Neilson. Sheila needed someone to come and paint her ceiling. She described how there were weird cracks in it, and she needed them fixed. Keith and Neil agreed to paint the ceiling for Sheila.

The two friends gathered tools for painting and picked out enough white ceiling paint at the hardware shop. They made it to Sheila Neilson's home at ten AM. She was thrilled to have two friends who could help her.

First, Keith and Neil took some spackle to apply to the cracks and fill them in. Then, they waited for it to dry. Sheila offered them lunch, but neither friend took it. They got right back to the job. Painting the ceiling took about two hours, then it needed to dry. When they finished, Sheila paid Keith and Neil for their time. They received just enough to complete their boat savings!

Highlight all the ei rule words in **yellow**.



Reindeer

When you think about reindeer, does a man with a red hat, shouting “HO! HO! HO!” come to mind? For many people, reindeer remind them of Santa, but here are some facts that may be new to you.

Reindeer are found in many parts of North America. They can be found in northern Canada, the North Pole and on the frozen Arctic tundra.

A reindeer’s coat may be beige, but it is mostly brown and white. They grow a new set of antlers in the summer each year. Their large hooves help them dig in the snow to look for food.

Reindeer survive on grass, moss, mushrooms, and plants. In North America, reindeer will migrate north to find food in the summer. When snow begins to fall in the north, the reindeer will migrate back down south. A reindeer will walk many miles in its entire life!

Highlight all the ei words in yellow.

Winning The Game

It was the final baseball game of the season. The Sooners were winning nine to six in the top of the sixth. The coaches were chatting in the dugout. Bases were loaded, and Keifer was batting next. Keifer was hitting home runs the whole season, but this game might be the conclusion. Keifer was getting a little fidgety as he got up to bat. Hitting a run meant a whole lot to his team.

Keifer grabbed his bat and swung it from side to side. He was tipping his helmet, and digging his heels into the dirt. Keifer was a quirky player, and getting ready to hit a run looked odd to people. He patted both shins, and was spitting three times. All the players and fans in the stands sat back and sighed. "Come on, Keifer!" the coach shouted.

The pitch was thrown. Ripping its way to Keifer, he took a hard swing. CRACK! A home run sent all men on the loaded bases running for home, and the Zippers took the lead!

Highlight all the words that follow the doubling rule in **yellow**.



Sleigh Ride

Have you heard of the merry tune called Sleigh Ride? It's a song you might sing in the winter. Leroy Anderson started to compose the song in July, 1946 while there was a heat wave! Sleigh Ride was complete in 1948. Leroy had the sound of sleigh bells and a horse's neigh in his song to cheer up many people. Sleigh Ride was just a tune until Mitchell Parish came along in 1950, and made up words to go along with the tune.

When Sleigh Ride first came out, it became an instant hit. People could not get enough of it. It became a song many bands would play. It was also a top ten hit to play in the winter season.

The Pops perform a version of Sleigh Ride each year. It gets people in a merry and cheerful mood. Many like to sing along when they hear it, or join with friends to walk around and perform it in their neighborhood to their neighbors. Can you sing along or hum the tune to the Sleigh Ride song?

Highlight all the eigh words in yellow.

Rescue Dogs

Search and rescue dogs help people in many ways. They are trained to search, rescue, or enter places where it may not be safe for a human to go. How does a dog become a rescue dog?

A rescue dog might begin its training as a puppy. It will live with a trainer or handler to learn skills. A trainer will be sure to teach the dog cues. The rescue dog will be shown how to pick up a smell, find a harmful object, or even locate a lost human. Training takes time, though. Not all dogs can be search and rescue dogs. Dogs with a keen sense of sight, smell and hearing are the best. Beagles are one breed that make good search and rescue animals.

Once a dog is trained to rescue, it will continue with one handler for most of its life. They might wear a yellow vest that's marked so people will realize it's a dog with a job. We value search and rescue dogs for their amazing duty!

Highlight all the ue words in yellow.

Give Me A Clue

Sue had an overdue book. It was due back last Tuesday. "Where is that book?" Sue asked herself. She was stumped. It was a cookbook about making fondue. She planned a fondue party for her friends and they had a great time. But now the book had to go back, and Sue was stuck.

She looked in the pantry, and every room in her home. The fondue book was truly missing. She decided to ask her kids. They liked to play games hiding things on her.

She went to talk to Tracy. "Have you seen the fondue book?" Tracy had a puzzled look on her face. Then she giggled, "Would you like a little clue?" Sue had to continue to pursue Tracy. "Yes, Please give me a clue," said Sue. "It's hiding in a blue box," said Tracy. A blue box? Just then Sue realized where it was! She thanked Tracy for the clue and found the fondue book at last.

Highlight all the ue words in yellow.

Teach Me To Type

Kyle was on a mission to learn how to type. He had an older friend, Lyle that could teach him. Kyle made the decision to ask Lyle for a favor. He walked over to Lyle's home one day and said, "Do you mind teaching me how to type?" Lyle agreed, so the two friends began.

Lyle had Kyle sit at his desk in his room. Lyle hadn't shown anyone how to type, but he was willing to try this time. He found a program where Kyle sat and followed it. The program told Kyle the keys to press a little at a time. Slowly, the program got a little bit harder, but Kyle got better.

For three weeks, Kyle went to Lyle's home to practice. He followed the program and soon, he could type as fast as Lyle! He didn't have to peek down at the keys either, which made him proud. Lyle gave Kyle a high five. "You can type faster than me!" exclaimed Lyle. Kyle smiled and had to agree.

Highlight all the y-e words in yellow.

Euros In Europe

While on my trip to Europe, I decided to make stops in Spain, Holland, Denmark, Norway and Turkey. I was informed by my friend, Eugene, to use Euro coins when paying for things. Euro coins? I wasn't sure how to find Euro coins or how to buy them. My friend told me that any bank in Europe could exchange my American currency for Euro coins. It was an easy way to shop and pay for things, no matter where I was heading in Europe.

When I got to a bank in Spain, I went up to the counter and asked the bank teller to exchange my American currency for Euro coins. She smiled and agreed. I could see her slowly count out the Euro coins and hand them to me. I thanked her and was on my way.

When I headed to other places and needed more Euro coins, I noticed that some had a gold, copper or even silver tone. Some were even smaller than the ones I got in Spain, but they were all the same value. The Euro coin helped me make purchases in many places all along my trip to Europe!

Highlight all the eu words in **yellow**.

Dr. Seuss

Dr. Seuss was born as Theodor Seuss Geisel in Springfield, Massachusetts on March 2, 1904. As a child, Ted enjoyed drawing animals and taking trips to the zoo.

As an adult, Ted drew cartoons. He drew ads for things like bug spray. One ad was for Flit. Ted's illustrations were a huge hit with readers.

Ted started to use the pen name, Dr. Seuss shortly after. He also found interest in making books for children. His first book, *And To Think I Saw It On Mulberry Street*, was rejected twenty eight times by publishers. But Ted didn't give up. He kept trying.

In 1957, *The Cat In The Hat* gave Dr. Seuss a name and fame. People flocked to buy his book with only 223 words. The cat in the book played funny pranks and antics with two kids, two things, and a concerned fish in a bowl. Dr. Seuss may have seemed like a sleuth to many because he cracked the code to making books that were enjoyed by children from all over. Which Dr. Seuss book do you enjoy the most?

Highlight all the eu words in **yellow**.

A New Suit

Bruiser was our brand new, Chow puppy. Bruiser enjoyed a good snuggle, but he was also a bit of a brute. You were never sure where or when Bruiser would pop out and tackle you.

One morning, Dad came down the stairs. He was wearing his brand new suit. He walked over to the fridge to grab the grape juice. Just as Dad was about to set the grape juice down on the counter, Bruiser came bounding around the corner. He slid across the tile floor and crashed right into Dad. Juice spilled all over Dad's new suit! "BRUISER!" Dad boomed. He stormed up the stairs to change. Bruiser spent the day in his dog house for that one.

Bruiser got out of the dog house later that day, so we decided to take him for a cruise. He hung his head out the window and gave us slobbery kisses. Just as we stopped at a red light, Bruiser spotted a chipmunk. He leaped out the back window to chase it. "BRUISER!" We called. Not again!

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Poetry In Motion

Joey was a poet. He made poems with all kinds of themes, but they were mostly about the seasons. He found a quiet spot in his house each day to sit for reflection. Sometimes, Joey walked in a museum to get inspired.

One Saturday, while strolling in the museum. Joey met Diana. Diana was a biologist. She had a job in a lab where she spent her time looking at cells. She liked to see how the nucleus of a cell would react under different conditions.

Joey and Diana were two very different people, but they also liked some of the same things. For that reason, the poet and the biologist became genuine friends.

The two friends met each Saturday at the museum, They talked about the paintings they admired, or sat and sipped a cup of tea by the gift shop. It was a match made in a museum.

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