

Level 2 Word Sorts

Read Naturally's Signs for Sounds is a research-based, systematic spelling program that builds proficiency in spelling while reinforcing reading skills. Signs for Sounds teaches the spelling of decodable words and irregular high-frequency words. These word sorts can be used as an additional activity to support the lessons in Signs for Sounds Level 2.

To learn more about Signs for Sounds, visit the Read Naturally website:

▶ www.readnaturally.com/signs4sounds

Using Word Sorts

Word sorts can be used to reinforce and review the spelling patterns taught in Signs for Sounds Level 2 lessons. The teacher can direct the word sort activity during small group instruction or assign the word sort activity as independent work following a Signs for Sounds lesson. An RTI small group instructor, reading specialist, or special education teacher can send the word sort back to the regular classroom as appropriate independent work to reinforce a Signs for Sounds lesson the student completed during pull-out instruction.

Suggested Directions

After a student completes a Signs for Sounds lesson, provide the student with a copy of the word sort that corresponds to that lesson. The student should write his/her name and the date on the lines provided on the header. Direct the student to cut across the bold dotted line to separate the header from the words below and then cut apart each word along the smaller dotted lines. Demonstrate how the student should use the line-leader patterns in the heading to create columns of words with shared patterns. The student should also separate out the spell-out words and/or words that do match one of the line-leader patterns and place them in the "Out-of-Sort Words" column.

Teachers can consider several options when assigning the word sorts:

- After the student cuts the words apart and sorts the words below the line-leader patterns in the header, the teacher (or another adult) can check the student's work. Then the words can be gathered into a plastic zip bag or envelope and used again to sort and review the words the next day.
- The student can be directed to cut the words apart, sort the words, and then glue the header and each word in the correct column on a second piece of paper. This allows the teacher to check the student's work at a later time.
- When checking a student's work, the teacher can extend this independent work a step further. By directing a student to read the words down each column and across each row, the teacher can confirm that the student is able to read each word within the pattern (reading down), mix the patterns (reading across), and read the "Out-of-Sort Words."

When checking a student's work, the teacher (or another adult) can circle comments to provide specific feedback in the Score Box at the top of the header.

Differentiating Instruction

Teachers can differentiate the word sort assignment by considering these modifications:

- The teacher can direct a struggling student to read each word aloud to the teacher before cutting the words apart. This will provide support in decoding the sound-out words and reading the spell-out words. The student can also be directed to pronounce the line-leader patterns.
- The word sorts are designed so the teacher can easily assign fewer words to a struggling student. Each row contains one word for each line-leader column; so, to shorten the assignment, the teacher can cut off one or more rows from the bottom of the page before giving the page to a student.
- The teacher can extend the word sort assignment for a very capable student by directing the student to cut the words apart, sort the words below the line-leader patterns in the header, and then add a specific number of additional words that also fit under each of the line-leader patterns.



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Name:	Date:
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-a-		Out-of-Sort Words
bag	lip	fun
fox	hat	is
kid	the	can
ram	did	yes
cat	leg	fix
him	hug	bad
job	sat	zip
dad	box	wig
big	web	jam
nut	ham	rip



Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:

e	-0-	Out-of-Sort Words
the	yes	box
not	cub	jet
bat	red	top
mom	dig	pen
six	bed	mop
job	pet	mud
run	hen	dog
fox	fan	leg
wet	his	lot
nut	net	hop



Name: _____

Word Sort Level 2, Lesson 3

Score Box	(Circle	comments	that	apply.)	

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better!

Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done!

Cut More Carefully

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Practice Reading the Words

-a-	-e-	—i—	-0-	-u-	Out-of-Sort Words
sad	not	fun	him	bed	the
got	sit	pen	tag	the	bus
men	cut	of	dot	tip	van
dig	to	fan	get	sun	hop
of	had	win	mud	mop	beg

Date: _____



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:

-a-	a_e	Out-of-Sort Words
like	lake	can
cap	cup	save
the	gas	made
cane	dad	did
zip	mad	take
lap	of	ate
same	tap	bike
lime	bag	cape
tape	cute	at
you	date	bad



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:

i	i_e	Out-of-Sort Words
you	kit	kite
five	to	dig
hide	of	hid
pipe	rid	the
fake	bit	ride
bite	rag	pig
but	win	wine
fix	dive	gate
fade	his	dime
side	dip	rat



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-0-	o_e	Out-of-Sort Words
hope	was	hop
got	you	note
has	not	cone
hot	joke	to
of	rod	rode
vote	the	job
robe	cake	dog
bake	hop	hope
rose	rob	date
fit	woke	pot



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-u-	u_e	Out-of-Sort Words
and	cub	cube
rule	was	mud
cute	cut	you
us	use	to
of	tube	tub
sun	the	mute
tin	gum	dude
tune	wife	sub
gave	bus	rule
like	run	mule



Name: _____

Word Sort Level 2, Lesson 8

Score Box	Circle comments th	nat apply.)

Perfect! Good Job!

Much Better!

Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done!

Cut More Carefully

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Practice Reading the Words

dr-	gr-	fl—	sk-	- st	Out-of-Sort Words
flag	drum	skate	just	are	grade
skit	flip	grin	and	drive	must
was	grab	test	flop	skim	drop
drag	list	you	skip	gripe	flab
gram	to	flake	drab	past	skid

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sh-	-sh	th-	-th	Out-of-Sort Words
fish	shut	to	they	path
math	are	crash	shine	that
and	shave	moth	them	fresh
shade	these	was	smash	with
bath	you	ship	this	cash



Name: _____

Word Sort Level 2, Lesson 10

Score	Вох	(Circle	comments	that	apply.)

Perfect! Good Job!

Much Better!

Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done!

Cut More Carefully

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Practice Reading the Words

ch-	-ch	wh-	-sh	-th	Out-of-Sort Words
rush	chop	they	math	when	much
rich	wish	chase	are	with	white
and	lunch	path	whiz	choke	dish
cloth	was	whale	such	smash	chose
chip	while	inch	brush	broth	you

Date: _____



Name: ______ Date: _____

Score	Вох	(Circle	comments	that	apply.)
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Nicely Done!

Good Job! Check More Carefully! Much Better! Perfect! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Practice Reading the Words Great Reading!

–II	—ss	-ff	Out-of-Sort Words
from	will	dress	puff
class	they	off	skull
cuff	mess	shell	are
doll	sniff	and	boss
was	kiss	stuff	spell



Name: _____

Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Nicely Done!

Date: _____

Practice Reading the Words

-ck	-ke	Out-of-Sort Words
neck	have	bake
from	duck	like
lick	they	cake
snake	back	are
lake	trick	and
was	broke	snack
smoke	stick	you
make	to	click
of	block	choke
truck	take	the



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-ng	-nk	Out-of-Sort Words
bank	one	sing
have	bang	rink
from	long	junk
swing	skunk	they
honk	king	are
and	stink	gang
thank	was	thing
strong	you	spank
to	wink	wing
sink	sting	of



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Practice Reading the Words Great Reading! Name: _____ Date: _____

e	-0	-old	-ind	Out-of-Sort Words	
SO	kind	be	what	sold	
me	no	hold	find	one	
have	gold	hind	we	go	
wind	from	lo	told	she	
mold	he	they	уо	mind	

Check More Carefully!

Less Glue, Please

Much Better!

Cut More Carefully

Nicely Done!



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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<u>-</u> у	i_e	Out-of-Sort Words
what	by	bike
dive	dry	one
why	have	white
from	shine	sky
mile	my	they
dry	are	drive
and	try	tribe
while	shy	was
spy	you	smile
to	like	pry



Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-ai-	-ay	Out-of-Sort Words
may	there	plain
what	jail	bay
rain	day	one
clay	have	mail
from	wait	way
stay	nail	they
tail	are	bay
and	sail	say
play	main	was
pay	you	train



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-e-	ee_	Out-of-Sort Words
meet	melt	were
there	felt	feed
keep	what	kept
belt	beet	one
have	left	sweep
cheek	from	check
beef	help	they
are	sheep	step
send	and	weed
feet	best	was



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-oa-	_ea-	Out-of-Sort Words
read	boat	your
were	soap	seat
coat	there	leaf
beat	soak	what
one	team	road
each	have	toad
beach	toast	from
they	oak	heat
goat	are	meal
load	eat	and



Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:

-ar	_or	Out-of-Sort Words
said	car	corn
born	arm	your
star	were	fork
there	for	mark
chart	sort	what
dark	one	horn
have	shark	short
north	start	from
stork	they	far
and	hard	storm



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Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please Cut More Carefully

qu-	squ-	sk-	Out-of-Sort Words
quite	skip	square	said
your	quake	skin	squish
quilt	squeal	were	skate
squeak	there	quiz	skim
skid	squeeze	what	quake



Name: _____

Word Sort Level 2, Lesson 21

Score Box	(Circle	comments	that	apply.)
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Good Job! Check More Carefully! Much Better! Perfect!

Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please Nicely Done!

Practice Reading the Words Great Reading!

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-ice	-ace	-age	-nce	Out-of-Sort Words
dance	do	rice	race	page
stage	spice	lace	said	since
your	chance	place	nice	cage
grace	prince	were	sage	price
slice	wage	fence	trace	there

Date:



Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-ow	-00	Out-of-Sort Words
ZOO	her	how
now	food	do
said	down	cool
soon	your	crowd
brown	pool	were
there	frown	room
tooth	what	clown
broom	owl	one
have	spoon	town
COW	from	roof



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-ew	-ow	Out-of-Sort Words
low	some	new
grew	crow	her
do	flew	show
row	said	blew
own	stew	your
were	grow	dew
snow	there	chew
flow	flew	what
one	grew	slow
shown	have	drew



Word Sort

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Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better!

Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done!

Cut More Carefully

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Practice Reading the Words

_s	-ss + es	-x + es	-ch + es	-sh + es	Out-of-Sort Words
crashes	many	inches	boys	foxes	dresses
fixes	years	classes	some	benches	wishes
dishes	boxes	reaches	glasses	its	her
do	branches	trashes	stars	misses	mixes
teaches	rushes	said	kisses	taxes	storms



Word Sort

Level 2, Lesson 25

Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Practice Reading the Words Great Reading!

s	-es	-ing	Out-of-Sort Words
waiting	many	waits	wishes
passes plays		some	sleeping
her jumps		thinking	marches
kisses	wishing	masks	do
thanks	said	crashes	flying



Score Box	(Circle	comments	that	apply.)
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Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-ed /t/ (jumped)	-ed /d/ (played)	-ed /ed/ (hunted)	-ing	Out-of-Sort Words
sailed	waited	kicked	more	camping
painted	many	cleaned	painting	helped
sleeping	fixed	some	started	stayed
passed	sparking	landed	seemed	her
do	mailed	hunting	camped	cheated



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Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please Cut More Carefully

-igh	-er	-est	Out-of-Sort Words
said	high	sharper	shortest
sweeter smoothest		might	more
sigh	many	cleaner	sweetest
smarter	deepest	some	night
do	sooner	flight	darkest



Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-all	-alk	Out-of-Sort Words
chalk	could	small
other	called	walking
smallest	talking	more
talk	many	taller
some	called	walk
walked	her	falling
tallest	talker	do
said	fall	chalked
smaller	your	walker
all	talked	were



Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-00	-ou	Out-of-Sort Words
about	cook	chalk
good	what	south
ground	hook	other
mouth	more	hood
many	couches	shook
ouch	foot	some
looking	her	shouting
scout	woods	do
said	loudest	wool
shouted	wood	were



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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ir	[w]or	Out-of-Sort Words
working	girl	about
could	world	first
thirst	other	words
worst	shirt	many
squirted	some	worm
her	bird	work
worth	third	do
worry	said	birth
your	worse	dirt
stirs	wordy	were



Name: _____

Word Sort Level 2, Lesson 31

Score	Вох	(Circle	comments	that	apply.
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Much Better!

Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done!

Cut More Carefully

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Practice Reading the Words

-a-	-e-	—i—	-0-	-u-	Out-of-Sort Words
dizzy	daddy	puppy	penny	very	hobby
jelly	chilly	about	crabby	jolly	buddy
could	messy	happy	foggy	bunny	skinny
glassy	muddy	sloppy	other	kitty	teddy
bossy	more	belly	piggy	baggy	fuzzy

Date: ____



Name: _____

Word Sort Level 2, Lesson 32

Score	Вох	(Circle	comments	that	apply.))
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Perfect! Good Job! Much Better!

Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done!

Cut More Carefully

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Practice Reading the Words

-a-	-e-	—i—	-0-	-u-	Out-of-Sort Words
bubble	middle	penny	apple	bottle	would
jelly	battle	puzzle	very	jiggle	gobble
silly	about	hobby	settle	puddle	saddle
could	foggy	riddle	juggle	paddle	messy
fuzzy	kettle	dazzle	toddle	other	little

Date: ____



Score Box	(Circle	comments	that	apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:	

-a-	-e-	—i—	-0-	-u-	Out-of-Sort Words
better	winner	summer	ladder	been	robber
would	hotter	letter	butter	dinner	hammer
rubber	madder	very	trigger	pepper	potter
swimmer	supper	batter	about	slobber	wetter
shredder	could	jogger	litter	matter	supper



Name: _____

Word Sort Level 2, Lesson 34

Score	Вох	(Circle	comments	that	apply.)	
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Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Great Reading! Practice Reading the Words

-er	-ing	-ed /t/ (jumped)	-ed /d/ (played)	-ed /ed/ (hunted)	Out-of-Sort Words
clapping	batter	who	skidded	wagged	stopped
been	putted	swimming	popped	winner	slammed
robbed	would	clapped	zipper	jogging	petted
batted	zipped	runner	very	filled	betting
running	nodded	buzzed	slapped	about	sadder

Date:



Score	Вох	(Circle	comments	that	apply.
Score	ROX	(Circle	comments	that	apply.

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-er	Double Final Consonant + er	-ing	Double Final Consonant + ing	Out-of-Sort Words
melting	who	robber	helper	spinning
helping	singer	thinner	been	stopping
spinner	landing	would	thinker	trapping
very	hopping	sadder	thinking	camper
tapping	runner	swinger	standing	about



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:

Double Final Consonant	Just Add Suffix	Out-of-Sort Words
people	getting	meaning
feeling	petting	who
sitting	been	waited
loading	quitter	would
very	winner	reading
batter	about	feeding
could	betting	mailed
letting	reached	other
waiter	more	bedding
swimming	eating	many



d Sort	Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)
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Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name: Date	:
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—s	Drop Silent e + er	Drop Silent e + ed	Drop Silent e + ing	Out-of-Sort Words
ruler	liked	taking	only	makes
people	saves	tamer	placed	smiling
chased	waving	who	times	rider
timer	hiking	plates	laced	been
would	rules	raking	joker	hiked



Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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Double Final Consonant + Suffix	Drop Silent e + Suffix	Out-of-Sort Words
skating	stopping	water
only	voter	spinning
platter	people	latest
who	shopping	skater
flattest	whiter	been
dining	would	quitting
hoped	hopping	very
about	cutest	patting
hotter	could	voting
waking	cutting	other



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name: Date:	
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Open Syllable Ends With a Long Vowel Sound (pa•per)	Closed Syllable Ends With a Consonant (win•ter)	Out-of-Sort Words
some	later	after
over	number	your
under	do	spider
tiger	silver	were
who	cider	sister
powder	been	fever
fiber	rather	would
her	meter	thunder
monster	said	clover
could	center	super



Word Sort

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Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Practice Reading the Words Great Reading!

Open Syllable— Ends With a Long Vowel Sound (pa•per)	Closed Syllable— Ends With a Consonant (win•ter)	Closed Syllable— Ends With a Vowel + r (cir•cle)	Out-of-Sort Words
candy	who	table	purple
turtle	lazy	they	simple
would	fancy	marble	taken
title	gurgle	kitten	could
sudden	said	lady	sparkle



Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully! Cut More Carefully Nicely Done! Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:
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-y	Change y to i + es	Out-of-Sort Words
poppies	pony	two
into	daddies	baby
party	water	ladies
said	penny	buddies
puppy	hobbies	people
pennies	who	daddy
been	lady	babies
poppy	would	parties
ponies	hobby	have
about	puppies	buddy



Name: _____ Date: _____

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Perfect! Good Job!

Much Better!

Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done!

Cut More Carefully

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Practice Reading the Words

	Change y to i	Out-of-Sort Words			
stories	stormiest	where	story	cried	copier
studied	lucky	crier	cities	two	pickiest
luckiest	into	body	fried	stormier	studies
driest	pickier	copies	water	city	dried
only	copied	trickiest	luckier	bodies	сору



Name:	Date:	

Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

k-	kn-	w-	wr-	Out-of-Sort Words
knot	because	king	wick	wrong
worm	kitten	knew	wreck	two
wrist	know	into	kite	work
key	world	wrap	only	knock
people	wring	water	knee	keep



Name: _____

Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Cut More Carefully Nicely Done!

Less Glue, Please

Great Reading!

Date: _____

Practice Reading the Words

Words With Prefix un-	Words With Suffixes	Out-of-Sort Words
their	undress	lucky
loaded	unzip	because
untrue	where	luckiest
snapping	unpack	two
into	happier	unsold
unload	water	beating
only	unsnap	packed
truest	unbeat	people
unreal	who	dressed
happiest	unfold	been



Score Box (Circle comments that apply.)

Perfect! Good Job! Much Better! Check More Carefully!

Nicely Done! Cut More Carefully Less Glue, Please

Name:	Date:

Words With Suffix —tion	Words With Other Suffixes	Out-of-Sort Words
adding	their	vacation
because	section	invented
question	elected	where
locates	two	invention
into	location	subtracting
subtraction	quests	water
vacated	only	addition
people	acting	fraction
prevention	infected	who
prevents	been	election