

General Description of *All About Spelling*

The *All About Spelling* series brings together the three pathways to learning: hearing, seeing, and touching. This multisensory approach, combined with a built-in review system and reinforcement activities, ensures that your children retain and apply what they learn.

If you are just beginning to teach your children spelling, want a program that appeals to a variety of learning styles, or if your children need remedial help, this customizable program could be an excellent fit. Step-by-step lessons (mastery-based, not grade-level based) build on one another in a sequence that has been carefully tested to produce long-term results.

Spelling lists are grouped by similar spelling rules and concepts. This accelerates learning by organizing ideas in your children's minds and allowing them to master one main concept at a time. In each Level, a progress chart gives your student a visual reminder of how far he has come and motivates him to master the next step.

Throughout the series, the "Tips for the Teacher" anticipate and provide answers to your questions and give you on-the-spot strategies for helping your student overcome stumbling blocks. Worked seamlessly into the lessons, tips are placed right where you need them, when you need them, so you can continue your teaching uninterrupted.

Each level comes with one Teacher's Manual for you and one Student Material Packet for your child. An additional Material Packet is needed for each additional child. You will also need an Interactive Kit which is a one-time non-consumable purchase used for the entire series.

Go online for more levels and options at www.sonlight.com/spelling.

[You are also welcome to mention in your description that All About Spelling offers lifetime customer support via email and phone.]

All About Spelling Level 1 (Teacher's Manual and Student Material Packet)

Level 1 helps your child build a strong foundation for spelling. Your child will learn the sounds of the first 32 phonograms (a letter or letter combination). Next, your child will learn how to hear each individual sound in a word, how to represent each of those sounds with a phonogram, and how to apply basic spelling rules. The main focus of Level 1 is to get children comfortable and proficient with spelling short vowel words.

Letter tiles are used to demonstrate and practice reliable spelling rules. Your child will learn rules such as

- How to choose between c and k at the beginning of a word
- When to double f, l, and s
- How to spell /k/ at the end of a word
- How to form plural words by adding s or es
- and more!

By the end of Level One, your student will be able to write phrases such as:

the pink pig
camp in tents
sad songs
a stiff neck
big clamshell
quick snack

All About Spelling Level 2 (Teacher's Manual and Student Material Packet)

Level 2 in the *All About Spelling* series continues to teach reliable spelling rules and generalizations. In a practical hands-on way with lots of reinforcement and practice, your student will learn:

- The open and closed syllable types
- How to divide words into syllables
- How to spell multisyllable words
- When y can say /î/
- How Silent E can make a vowel long
- The vowel-consonant-e syllable type
- Two spellings for the sound of /z/
- The two sounds of long u
- The difference between hard and soft c and g
- Ways to spell long e
- That English words don't end in i, j, u, or v
- The most common way to spell the sound of /er/
- When to use oi/oy, aw/au, and ow/ou
- and more!

Word Banks are introduced in Level 2 to help visual memory of words with a particular sound so the student can successfully choose the correct spelling when he is faced with multiple spellings of a sound.

The Jail provides your student with an engaging, memorable way to learn Rule Breakers the first time around, eliminating the need to remediate later.

By the end of Level Two, your student will be able to write sentences such as:

Her child found a red flower.
Is the soil moist or dry?
My aunt saw a small tiger.
Why is the pig in the hall?
See the huge cage of mice!
The storm swept over the land.

All About Spelling Level 3 (Teacher's Manual and Student Material Packet)

Level 3 in the *All About Spelling* introduces important concepts such as

- Five reasons for adding a silent e to the end of a word
- How to add consonant and vowel suffixes
- Multiple ways to spell long vowel sounds
- The three sounds of past tense suffix -ed
- When to double consonants before adding suffixes
- When to drop the silent e before adding a suffix
- Several ways to spell the sound of /er/
- Contractions
- Homophones
- And more!

Level 3 introduces Word Sorts and Word Analysis activities. The Writing Station gives your child a creative outlet for applying new knowledge to original sentences. As in previous levels, the built-in review system and reinforcement activities help your child practice important concepts until they are mastered.

By the end of Level Three, your student will be able to write sentences such as:

My dog tried to eat my pennies!
Babies make me feel joyful.
Please put this in the house.
She didn't clean her room.
Light the fire while I fry the fish.
Her team has thirteen members.

All About Spelling Level 1 Student Material Packet

The Material Packet contains everything that your child will need in order to complete the learning activities laid out in Level 1.

Four sets of flashcards help your student learn and review phonograms, words, and spelling rules. Five colored tokens are included to provide your student with a tactile way to segment words and identify individual sounds. A progress chart and completion certificate allow you to track and celebrate your student's success.

All About Spelling Level 2 Student Material Packet

The Level 2 Material Packet contains four sets of flashcards tailored to the lessons in the Teacher's Manual, allowing you to review and help your child master the new concepts. You also receive:

- A set of six laminated **Syllable Tags** that provide a visual and tactile way for your student to identify and label different syllable types.
- A **Syllable Division Rules Chart** that helps your student recognize, internalize, and apply the rules for dividing words.
- Three **Word Banks** that reinforce certain spelling concepts and improve your student's visual memory of words with a particular sound.
- A **Jail for Rule Breakers** that offers an interactive and memorable way to learn how to spell words that don't follow the rules.

All About Spelling Level 3 Student Material Packet

The Level 3 Student Material Packet includes four types of flashcards for review purposes plus the following items:

- A **Silent E Book** that enables the student to easily recognize, categorize, and internalize the jobs of Silent E.
- A **Homophones List** that helps the student learn to use the correct homophone in his own writing.
- A set of **Suffix Tiles** that are a different size and color than the letter tiles, so your student can easily recognize and choose the correct suffix when building new words.
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- Three **Word Banks** that reinforce certain spelling concepts and improve your student's visual memory of words with a particular sound.
- A **Jail for Rule Breakers** that offers an interactive and memorable way to learn how to spell words that don't follow the rules.
- Additional materials such as the **1-1-1 Rule Chart**, the **ED Word Sheet**, and **Heading Labels** for organizing the letter tiles.
- A **progress chart and completion certificate** that allow you to track and celebrate your student's success.

All About Spelling Basic Interactive Kit

The *All About Spelling* program is multisensory, and the Basic Interactive Kit contains components that enable your child to learn through sight, sound, and touch. The kit contains these four non-consumable items:

1. Letter Tiles

The letters and letter combinations on the tiles correspond to the basic phonograms, making them the perfect manipulative for teaching spelling. The phonogram tiles are color-coded for faster learning:

- Consonants and consonant teams are **blue**.
- Vowels and vowel teams are **red**.
- Tiles representing the sound of /er/ are **purple**.
- The remaining r-controlled vowels are **yellow**.
- Tiles representing the sound of /sh/ are **green**.
- And the apostrophe and ed are **orange**.

The five heading labels allow you to group your tiles while you are teaching, making them easy to locate during your spelling lesson.

2. Magnets

Stick these die-cut magnets on the back of your letter tiles so you can use your letter tiles on a magnetic dry erase board.

3. Phonogram CD-ROM

This interactive computer program provides an easy way to learn the sounds of the basic phonograms. Click on a letter tile and hear the correct pronunciation. The letter tiles on this program match the actual letter tiles for quicker learning.

4. Divider Cards

Twelve sturdy laminated index card dividers organize the flashcards in your index card box so you can customize your student's review. There are "Review," "Mastered," and "Future Lesson" categories for each of the four types of flashcards.

All About Spelling Deluxe Interactive Kit

The *All About Spelling* program is multisensory, and the Deluxe Interactive Kit contains components that enable your child to learn through sight, sound, and touch. The kit contains these six non-consumable items, plus stickers for the progress chart:

1. Letter Tiles

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5. Spelling Review Box

Store your *All About Spelling* learning cards in the Spelling Review Box. This box is large enough to hold the Phonogram Cards, Sound Cards, and Key Cards from all seven levels of the program, plus the Word Cards from the current level you are working on. When you have this box, you won't have to run out to get index card boxes.

6. Spelling Tote Bag

Store your *All About Spelling* books and supplies in this sturdy tote bag. It helps keep you organized! When you are ready to teach, just grab your tote bag and go.

7. Bee Stickers

Twenty-five sparkling bee stickers for your child's progress chart.