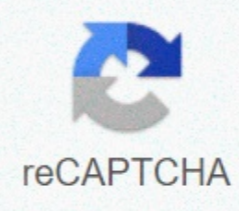




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Words their way spelling inventory printable

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I used the basic spelling inventory with my child to demonstrate, which is intended for kindergarten in 3th grade (You can also use Elementary or top-level spelling lists, depending on your child's age/development). The words in the inventories are specially selected to show the child's knowledge and understanding of certain spelling functions (short vowels, long vowels, mixtures, etc.) Words start at a fairly easy level and gradually become more difficult to spell. It is applied in a similar way as a spelling test, except that the child has not studied these specific words in advance. If you have a child who closes the spelling correctly, you may want to prepare your child by telling him in advance that he will not know how to spell all the words correctly... and it's OK! He just needs magic to be able to describe all the sounds he hears. To make an assessment, I read it by word, I used it in a sentence, and he wrote every word. When I noticed it was wrong three words in a row, I stopped because I knew the models were going to get harder and I didn't want to get upset. By evaluating a spelling checker, I took his results and recorded them in the individual scoresheet as shown below. This sheet can be found in Words their way. Note that each column has different spelling functions: Initial consonant, final consonants, etc. Where he wrote the function correctly, I check next to it in each column. I also checked correct spelling in the last column if it is spelled completely to the right. When he miswrote a word, like #6, when he wrote WATE for waiting, I wrote his incorrect spelling scheme (A_E) to the correct (ai). After recording all the information, I came back with a marker and underlined all its spellings to jump to me. Not all levels of students are so clear, but I can see clearly from this assessment that he needs to do a little more work on Long Vowels. That's his level of training. And directly under Long V models I see that it is in the middle of stage Within Word Pattern. If your child's results are not clear, a good rule of fact is to start spelling instructions in the column where the child has missed 2 or more of a certain function. Pre Test/Post Test Format Spelling Mechanics Mechanics Training Word Survey has another way for you to understand the level of your spelling and is very similar to spelling inventory: Preliminary and Post tests. Let's say my child is in third grade and I know he's a struggling spelling (he doesn't write or read at grade 3). The mechanics of spelling suggest that I give him level 2 in advance, remembering that the goal is NOT a perfect result. His spellings are where I will learn the most about his level of understanding! After he scores his tests, this will determine his level of training (the level at which I need to start teaching): If he scores about 45% – 70% correctly, then I would start at level 2 and use the word B sorting (level B means level B means level level). If he scores below 45% I would start with level 2 and use level A arranges the word (arranges level A below class level). If it scores between 70% – 90% let's start with level 2 and use the word sorted, marked with C. These words are a little more difficult (level C sorted above class level). If he surprises me and gets a perfect result, I'm not wasting my time with Level 2. He understands the rules of spelling and needs a challenge. Let's move on to level three. I observe spelling in independent writing Another more informal idea for determining your child's level of spelling is to pick up pieces of his independent writing (independent is key) and analyze his spellings and spelling errors from the context of his writing. While this may seem intimidating, in my e-book, Teaching Children to Spell: A Developmental Approach to Spelling, I have a printed diagram with complete explanations of how to do this in the appendix. More spelling resources: 10 days of teaching spelling by studying Word –Becky Home To get started, you'll first need to give your students a spelling list. This inventory assesses their ability to write letters to represent the sounds they hear. There are three spelling inventories that their path recommends (Primary, Elementary, and Upper Initial Spelling Stocks.) Each of these inventories has a list of words that increase the complexity of spelling skills. Once a spelling list is given, you can use the functional guide to mark and identify the student's level of development. Look at our pages for each spelling development level, there you'll find resources to help you get started! Inventory administration instructions (from Pearson)File size: 62 kbFile Type: pdfDownload file Basic spelling guide Guide: 84 kbFile Type: docDownload File elementary spelling inventory Manual Storage: 159 KbFile Type: DocDownload File Basic Elementary Check Catalog: 89 KbFile Type: docDownload File Example Guide (for elementary spelling lists) Sample of elementary spelling stock, extracted from: Other resources: Podcast Interview with Donald Bear, one of the authors of Words their way Edited: Please see NEWER POST for WTW, which has all this information + much, much more! On the last text, a liquid path post, Ms. Ibarra commented: I have a copy of this book, but our reading program sorts and uses them as spelling words too. He teaches two or three models at once... E.g. Do you think I can combine the two? I haven't seen the book in a while. I bought it for a course, but I haven't seen it since. Mrs. Ibarra, I'm not sure how your reading program was created, but with Words along the way, instead of engaging in classrooms, you teach students at their levels. Evaluation is what I think makes Words Their Way so profitable. To get started, you'll give the class a (long) spelling test. There are several different versions depending on the class you teach. Since I have second-graders, I use the basic spelling inventory.. On Pearson's website, you can see an example of the different tests and a description of how to mark them. Then you'll appreciate them. I like to watch the data, but I hate making a record. When you have 20+ students, it can take time. It helps to think happy thoughts. I only do this four times a year... I can watch some Richard Armitage while I'm assessing... Each of the words is divided into key components – initial sounds, vowels, suffixes, etc. You don't analyze every part of each word, so you need the feature guide to show you what you're looking for. You put the student's test in front of you and start checking what's written right. The feature guide in the book is horizontal, but I found it easier for me to do a rush if the page is vertical, so I rewritten the information in my own form. Also, I like to use the same page for the whole year so that I can easily keep an easy look at student growth. I use a pencil of a different color every time I give the test and a key color at the top of the page. After checking each word, then sum the number of checks in each column. Different columns represent different levels of spelling mastery. function is in 7 different words. If the student correctly writes the function (for example, a short vowels sounds) 6 or 7 times that it is mastered. If the child receives 5 or less correct, this is considered the student's level. If you look at this sheet, you will see how this student has advanced throughout the year. At the beginning of the 2nd grade, she mistaken two words with vowels. In this column (left), I recorded her score in black. If you look at the next column, you can see that it has 6 of the characteristics correct. Although she technically passed this column, I returned to the first level, where she missed two or more words to determine her level. In this case, the letter-name alphabetical stage. A little low for second grade. When I gave the test at the end of the first term (burgundy numbers), she mastered the short vowels, digraphs and mixtures. But she missed each of the models of the long vowels. So I knew her level had moved to the middle of the Word stage. This is where most of the 2nd graders fall. In the third Test at the end of the second term, she mastered long vowels, but not all vowels such as ul, ir, etc. So that's where we work now. When my teacher finishes, I will give you the grade again to determine where he should work during the last part of the year. If I really feel motivated, I might take the test again at the end of the year to see how much she has grown, but by the end of May my enthusiasm for finishing is minimal. © Interesting thing about WTW's assessment is that it focuses on errors as well as words written correctly. For example, a child who writes goat goth apparently can not spell the word goat. But the mistake is that he understands that something has to happen in the vowels to do it for a long time. In this case, the spelling checker knows that quiet is often a role. So this student will probably be in the middle of the Word Pattern stage and ready to practice long vowels like ai, oa, ue, etc. This is only for the main spelling list. The upper classes have a different set of words. This is a copy of the form I give my students to write. I hate waiting for them to count their papers from 1-26. Plus, I can make a record of their forms.

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