Weekly Spelling List: Level Cloud Introduction

Each week has a spelling list of 10-12 words. I've grouped most words phonetically (-at words, -an words, etc.), but I've also included a few sight words for each week, some of which are linked to the reading or workbook pages (these are marked with an asterisk*). Sometimes words not marked with asterisks can also be found in the reading, but I did not choose them for that reason. For example, the words "he" and "the" appear in *Harold and the Purple Crayon* (and most other books you'll read this year), but they are so common that I didn't specifically call them out. Also, sometimes words marked with asterisks are not found in the reading or grammar, but are related to it. For example, the words America, Canada, and Mexico are not found in the reading or grammar for week 17, but because the main character in that book repeatedly talks about going to Australia, it seemed a good week to introduce the spelling for these three countries.

Note that even phonetic groups are not necessarily complete. For example, not every single-syllable -at word is here. The focus is more to give students sufficient exposure to phonetic patterns so they can extend the idea to other words.

Hand out the student worksheet on Day 1 each week for students to see and practice the words during the week. Point out the patterns for the phonetically similar words. When words are tied to readings or the grammar, make that clear as well.

Feel free to assign fewer words if you think that would be appropriate. I chose 10-12 words as the maximum I would recommend at this level on the assumption that it is easier for the teacher to remove words rather than add them.

Give a spelling test on Day 3 or 4 (depending on if you want to review the list on Day 4 or on Day 1 of the following week). Say each word clearly and use it in a sentence. ("Cat. I love my cat. Cat.") If you have students who have not begun writing, you can test them orally (just like a spelling bee).

Week 1
(*Harold and the Purple Crayon;* -at)

1. at
2. cat
3. bat
4. fat
5. hat
6. pat
7. rat
8. sat
9. he
10. the
11. walk*

Week 2
(*Madeline;* -an)

1. an
2. can
3. fan
4. man
5. pan
6. ran
7. van
8. and
9. two*
10. girl*
11. month*

Week 3
(*The Snowy Day;* -ad)

1. bad
2. dad
3. had
4. lad
5. mad
6. pad
7. sad
8. snow*
9. be
10. or
11. mom

Week 4
(*Caps for Sale;* -ap)

1. cap*
2. gap
3. lap
4. map
5. nap
6. rap
7. sap
8. tap
9. blue*
10. on*

Week 5
(*Chickens Aren't the Only Ones;* -ack)

1. back
2. black
3. Jack
4. lack
5. pack
6. sack
7. egg*
8. bird*
9. of
10. to

Week 6
(*The Umbrella;* -ell)

1. bell
2. fell
3. sell
4. tell
5. well
6. yell
7. rain*
8. wind*
9. is
10. was
11. as

Week 7
(*The Important Book;* -en)

1. Ben
2. den
3. hen
4. men
5. pen
6. ten
7. when
8. what*
9. who
10. where

Week 8
(*Joseph Had a Little Overcoat;* -et)

1. bet
2. get
3. jet
4. met
5. net
6. pet
7. vet
8. wet
9. little*
10. button*
11. word*

Week 9
(*Big Red Lollipop;* -ed)

1. bed
2. fed
3. led
4. red
5. Ted
6. school*
7. party*
8. why*
9. you
10. your

Week 10
(*The Tale of Peter Rabbit;* -it)

1. bit
2. fit
3. hit
4. it
5. lit
6. pit
7. sit
8. rabbit*
9. tea*
10. milk*

Week 11
(*The Hello Goodbye Window;* -in)

1. in
2. bin
3. fin
4. pin
5. tin
6. win
7. she*
8. we*
9. they*
10. window*

Week 12
(*Grandfather's Journey;* -ig)

1. big
2. dig
3. fig
4. jig
5. pig
6. rig
7. wig
8. mother*
9. father*
10. baby*

Week 13
(*Doctor DeSoto*; -ick)

1. brick
2. kick
3. lick
4. pick
5. sick
6. wick
7. doctor*
8. dentist*
9. had
10. have
11. for

Week 14
(*Frog and Toad Are Friends*; -og)

1. dog
2. fog
3. frog*
4. hog
5. jog
6. log
7. are*
8. with
9. spring*
10. story*

Week 15
(*The Story of Ferdinand*; -ob)

1. Bob
2. job
3. mob
4. rob
5. sob
6. do
7. one
8. once
9. happy*

Week 16
(*How the Grinch Stole Christmas*; -op)

1. hop
2. mop
3. pop
4. shop
5. stop
6. top
7. heart*
8. has
9. then
10. there

Week 17
(*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day*; -ot)

1. dot
2. hot
3. lot
4. not
5. pot
6. spot
7. America**
8. Canada**
9. Mexico**

Week 18
(*Mother Goose Rhymes*; -ock)

1. clock
2. dock
3. flock
4. lock
5. rock
6. sock
7. poem*
8. go
9. no
10. so

** (I chose these countries because I write and publish in the United States and these words all play by the English phonics rules. (I chose the easier, although less-accurate, "America" over "The United States.") Please feel free to replace these or add countries of your choice.)

Week 19
(*Emmanuel's Dream*; -ug)

1. bug
2. dug
3. hug
4. jug
5. mug
6. rug
7. tug
8. leg*
9. bike*
10. ride*
11. able*
12. out*

Week 20
(*Make Way for Ducklings*; -uck)

1. buck
2. duck*
3. luck
4. stuck
5. yuck
6. this
7. that
8. swim*
9. river*
10. garden*

Week 21
(*Stellaluna*; -un)

1. bun
2. fun
3. run
4. sun
5. these
6. those
7. down*
8. wing*
9. nest*
10. hungry*

Week 22
(*Chester's Way*; -ut)

1. but
2. cut
3. hut
4. nut
5. shut
6. me*
7. him*
8. her*
9. us*
10. them*

Week 23
(*What Is Given From the Heart*; -ould)

1. could*
2. would*
3. should*
4. were*
5. does*
6. not*
7. love*
8. heart*
9. from*
10. by

Week 24
(*Mouse Soup*; -all)

1. all
2. ball
3. call
4. fall
5. hall
6. mall
7. tall
8. wall
9. said*
10. mouse*
11. house*

(The first six words relate to the grammar exercises)

Week 25
(*Bill and Pete to the Rescue;* -ill)

1. Bill
2. fill
3. hill
4. pill
5. will
6. letter*
7. dear*
8. mama*
9. papa*
10. hippo*
11. camel*

Week 26
(*Best Friends for Frances;* oo short vowel sound)

1. book
2. cook
3. hook
4. look
5. good
6. hood
7. foot
8. his*
9. our*
10. their*
11. ours*
12. theirs*

(Some possessive pronouns were covered earlier; others will be covered next week and later this year)

Week 27
(*Always Room for One More;* oo long vowel sound)

1. boot
2. root
3. cool
4. pool
5. moon
6. room*
7. mine*
8. yours*
9. hers*
10. its*
11. more*

Week 28
(*Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain;* long-a "a_e")

1. face
2. race
3. bake
4. cake
5. make
6. game
7. name
8. cape
9. tape
10. cave
11. wave
12. animal*

Week 29
(*Millions of Cats;* long-o "o_e")

1. code
2. joke
3. hole
4. home
5. bone
6. hose
7. nose
8. rose
9. note
10. vote
11. woman*

Week 30
(*Curious George Flies a Kite;* long-i "i_e" part 1)

1. mice
2. rice
3. life
4. bike
5. like
6. dime
7. time
8. fire
9. write
10. kite*
11. up*
12. down*

Week 31
(*Babar the King*; long-i "i_e" part 2)

1. hide
2. ride
3. mile
4. pile
5. fine
6. line
7. nine
8. pipe
9. ripe
10. drive
11. five
12. king*

Week 32
(*This is London*; -ay)

1. day
2. hay
3. lay
4. may
5. pay
6. say
7. way
8. if
9. each
10. which
11. about

Week 33
(*Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel*; -y)

1. by
2. dry
3. fly
4. fry
5. my
6. shy
7. spy
8. try
9. some*
10. other*
11. many
12. shovel*

Week 34
(*How Droofus the Dragon Lost His Head*; -ow, short sound)

1. cow
2. how*
3. now
4. plow*
5. wow
6. dragon*
7. wing*
8. head*
9. rock*
10. farm*

Week 35
(*The Big Orange Splot*; -ow long-o sound)

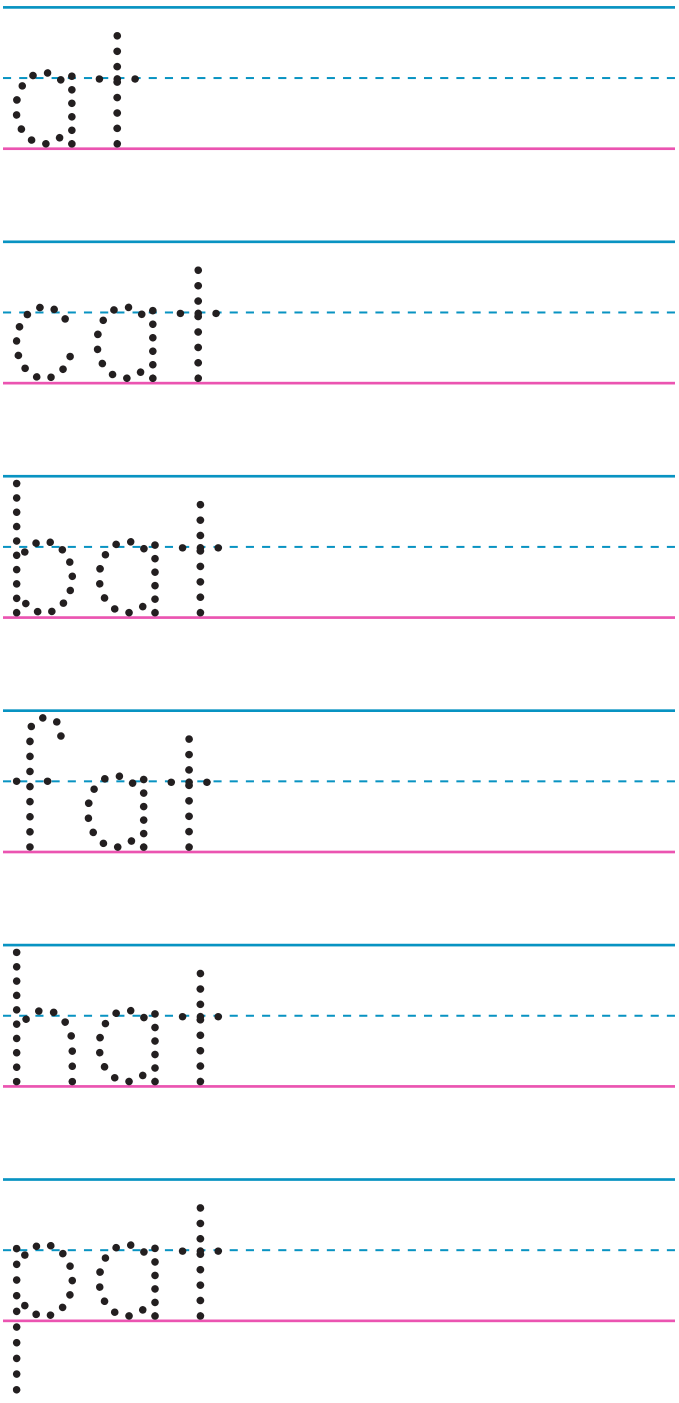
1. bow
2. flow
3. grow
4. low
5. mow
6. row
7. show
8. paint*
9. street*
10. dream*

Week 36
(*Wabi Sabi*; ee)

1. bee
2. see
3. seed
4. week
5. feel
6. deep
7. keep
8. deer
9. meet
10. Japan*

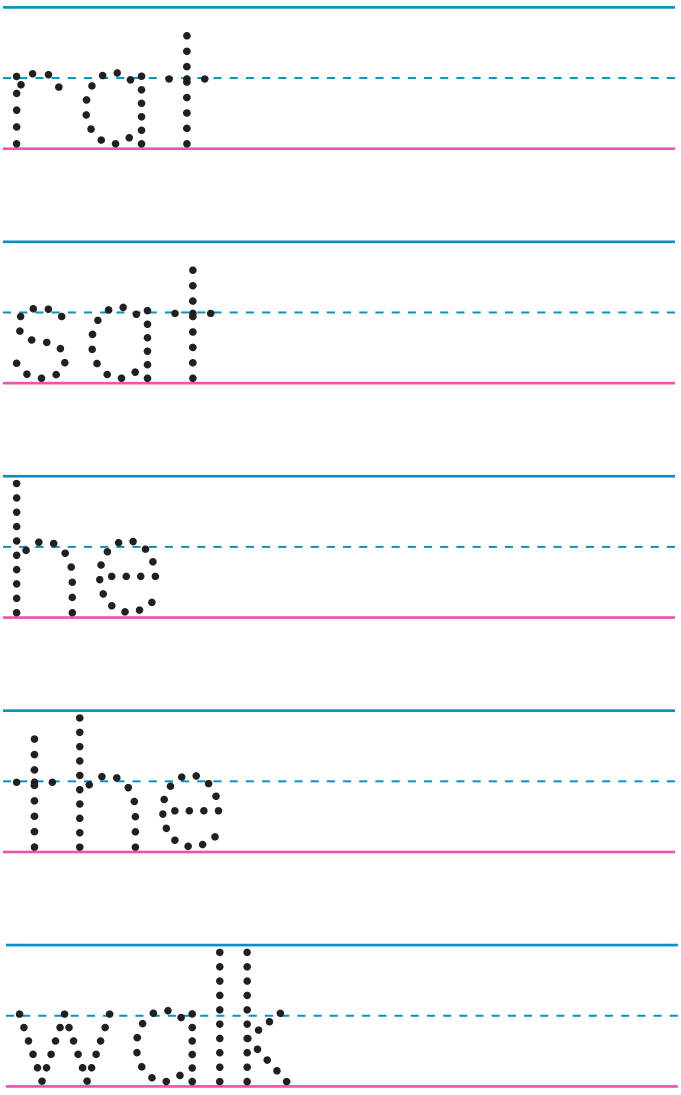
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Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson



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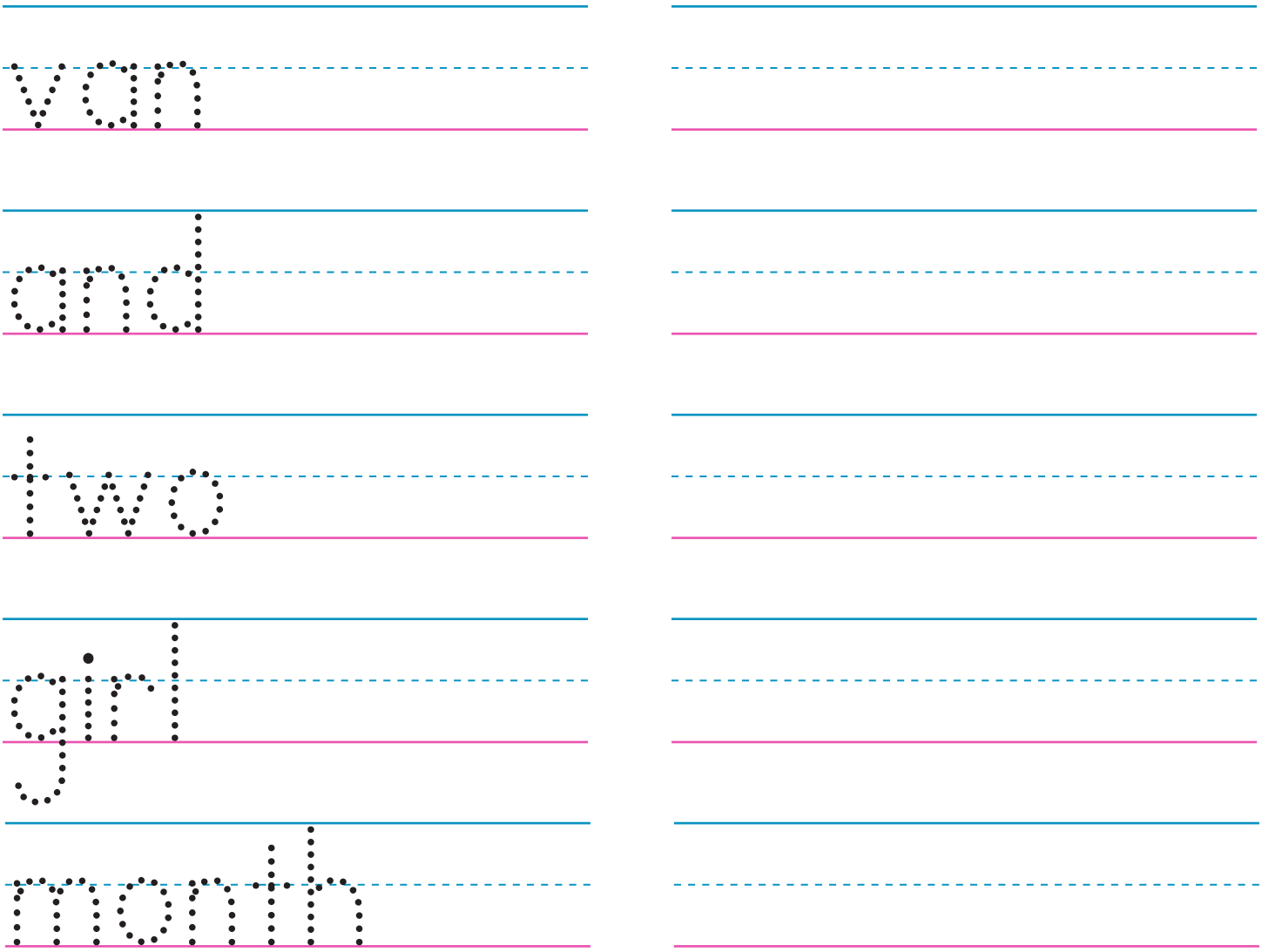
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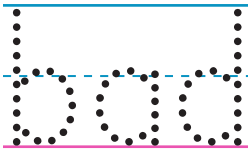
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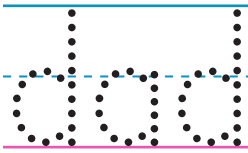
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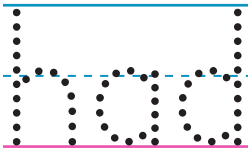


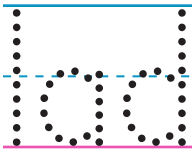
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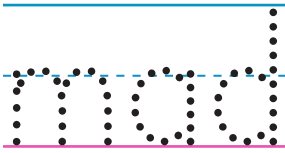
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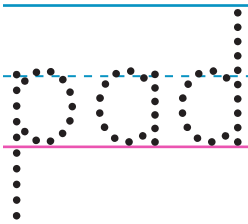












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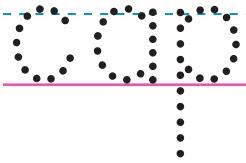
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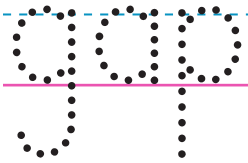
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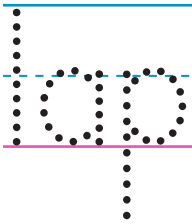
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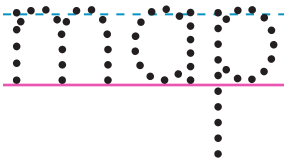
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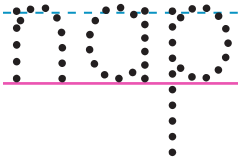
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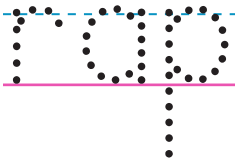






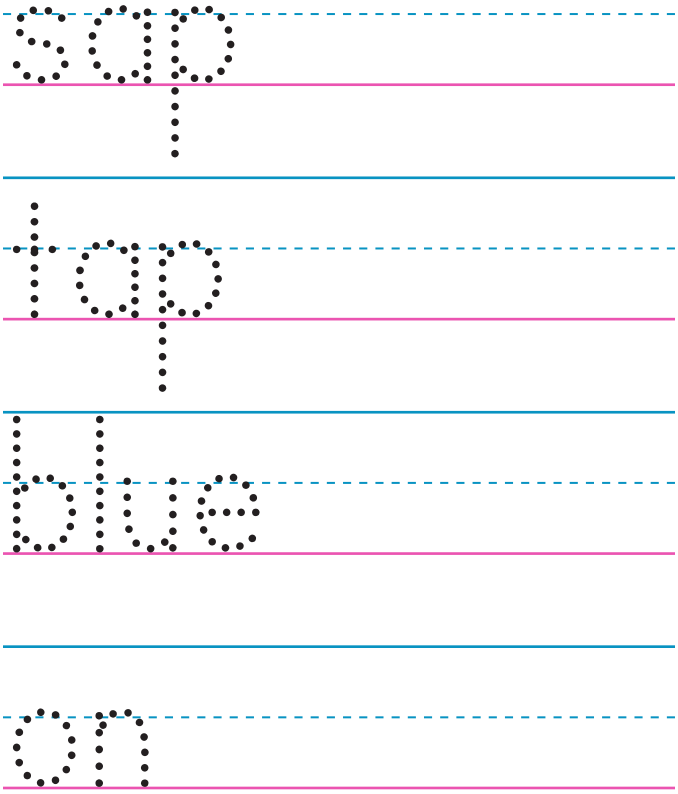






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Week 5

Chickens Aren't the Only Ones by Ruth Heller

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Chickens Aren't the Only Ones by Ruth Heller

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Week 6

The Umbrella by Taro Yashima

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Week 6

The Umbrella by Taro Yashima

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Week 7

The Important Book by Margaret Wise Brown

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Joseph Had a Little Overcoat by Simms Taback

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Week 9

Big Red Lollipop by Rukhsana Khan

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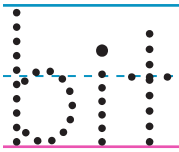
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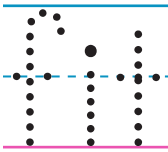
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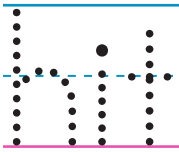
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Week 10

The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter













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The Tale of Peter Rabbit by Beatrix Potter

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Week 11

The Hello, Goodbye Window by Norton Juster

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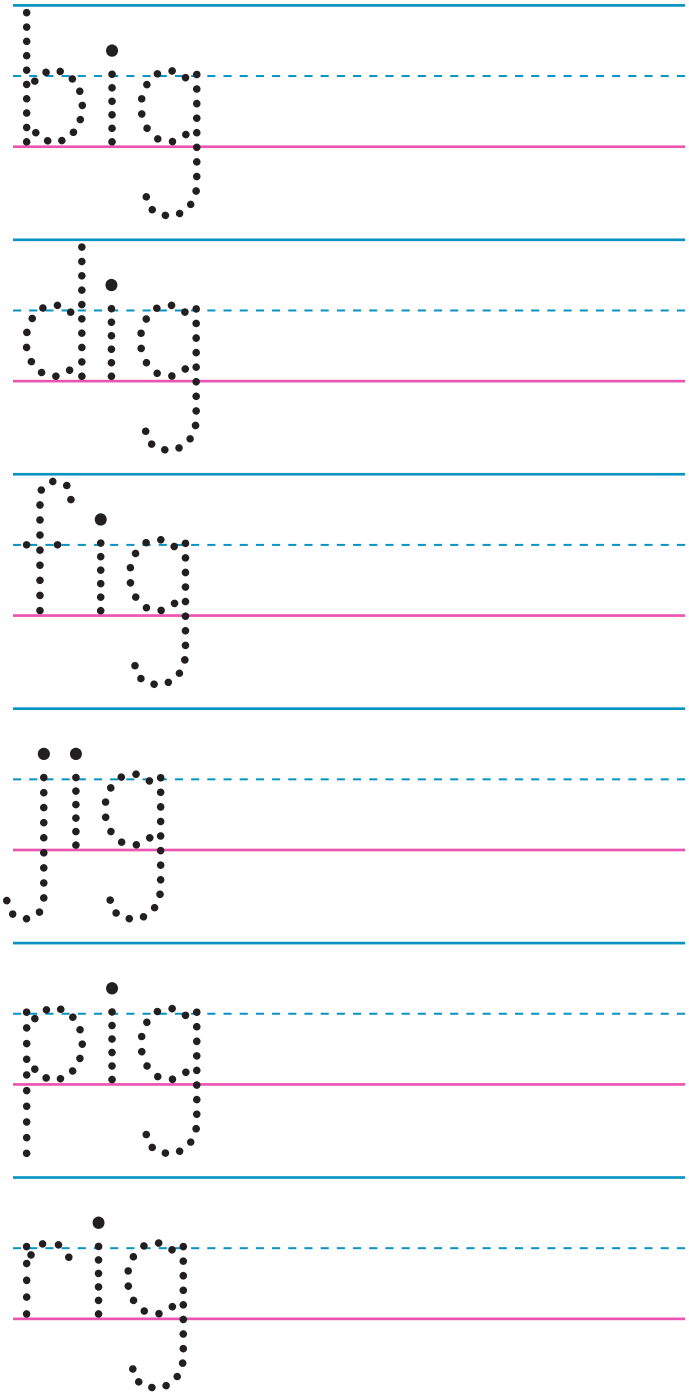
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Week 12

Grandfather's Journey by Allen Say



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Week 13

Doctor De Soto by William Steig

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Week 13

Doctor De Soto by William Steig

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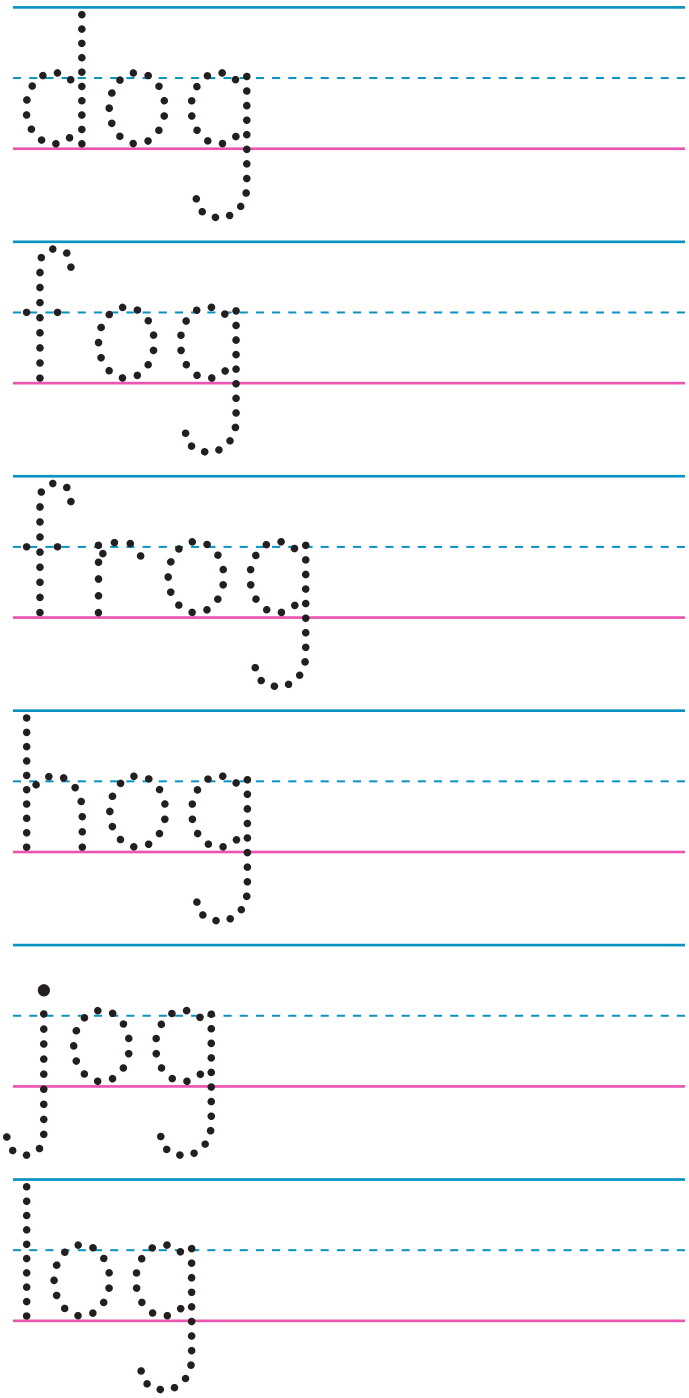
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Week 14

Frog and Toad Are Friends by Arnold Lobel



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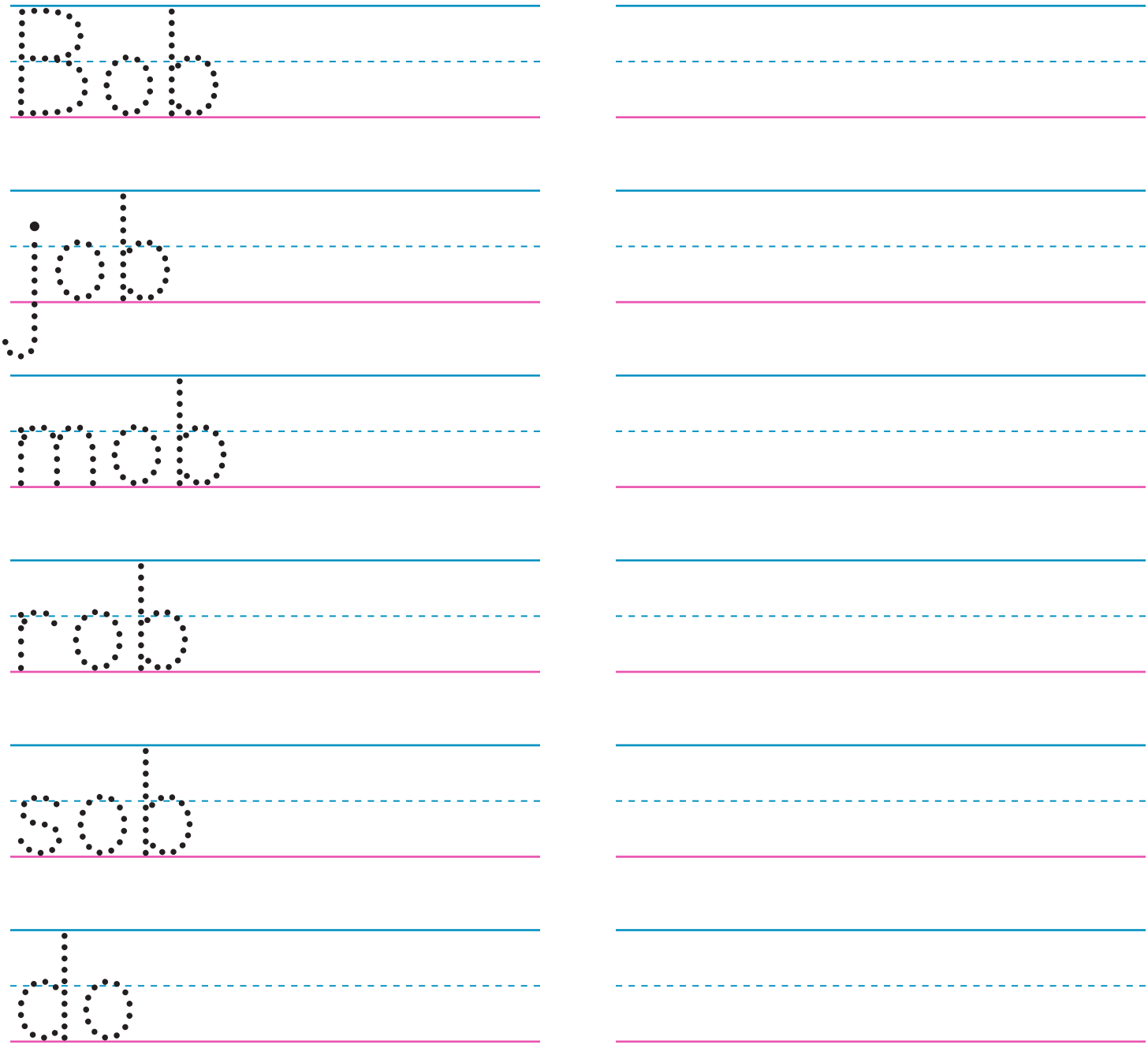
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Week 15

The Story of Ferdinand by Munro Leaf



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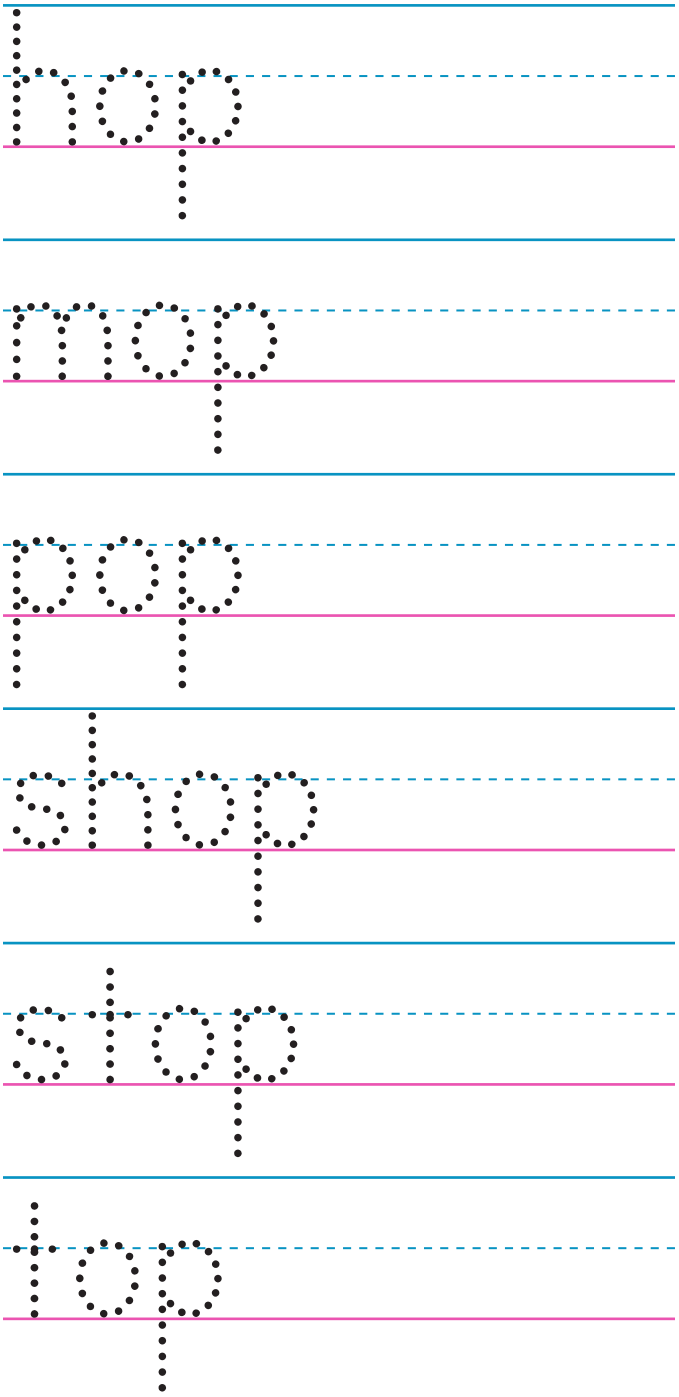
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Week 16

How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr. Seuss



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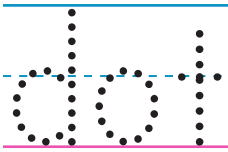
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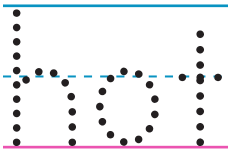
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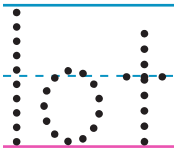
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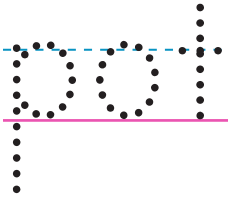
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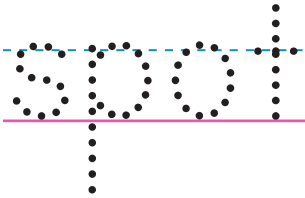












Week 17

Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst

America

Canada

Mexico

Week 18

Mother Goose Rhymes by Mother Goose

clock

dock

flock

lock

rock

sock

Week 18

Mother Goose Rhymes by Mother Goose

poem

go

no

so

Week 19

Emmanuel's Dream by Laurie Ann Thompson

bug

dug

hug

jug

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Week 19

Emmanuel's Dream by Laurie Ann Thompson



Week 20

Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey

duck

duck

uck

stuck

yuck

this

Week 20

Make Way for Ducklings by Robert McCloskey

that

swim

river

garden

Week 21

Stellaluna by Janell Cannon

bun

fun

run

sun

these

those

Week 21

Stellaluna by Janell Cannon

down

wing

nest

hungry

Week 22

Chester's Way by Kevin Henkes

but

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Week 22

Chester's Way by Kevin Henkes

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Week 23

What Is Given From the Heart
by Patricia C. McKissack

could

would

should

were

does

not

Week 23

What Is Given From the Heart
by Patricia C. McKissack

love

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Week 24

Mouse Soup by Arnold Lobel



Week 24

Mouse Soup by Arnold Lobel

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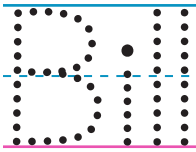
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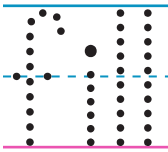
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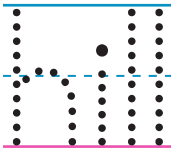
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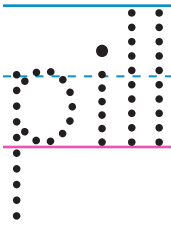
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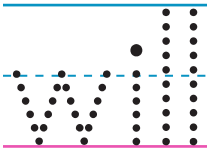
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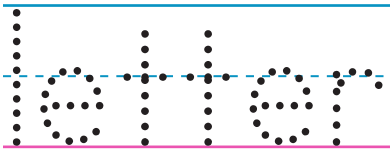












Week 25

Bill and Pete to the Rescue by Tomie dePaola

dear

mama

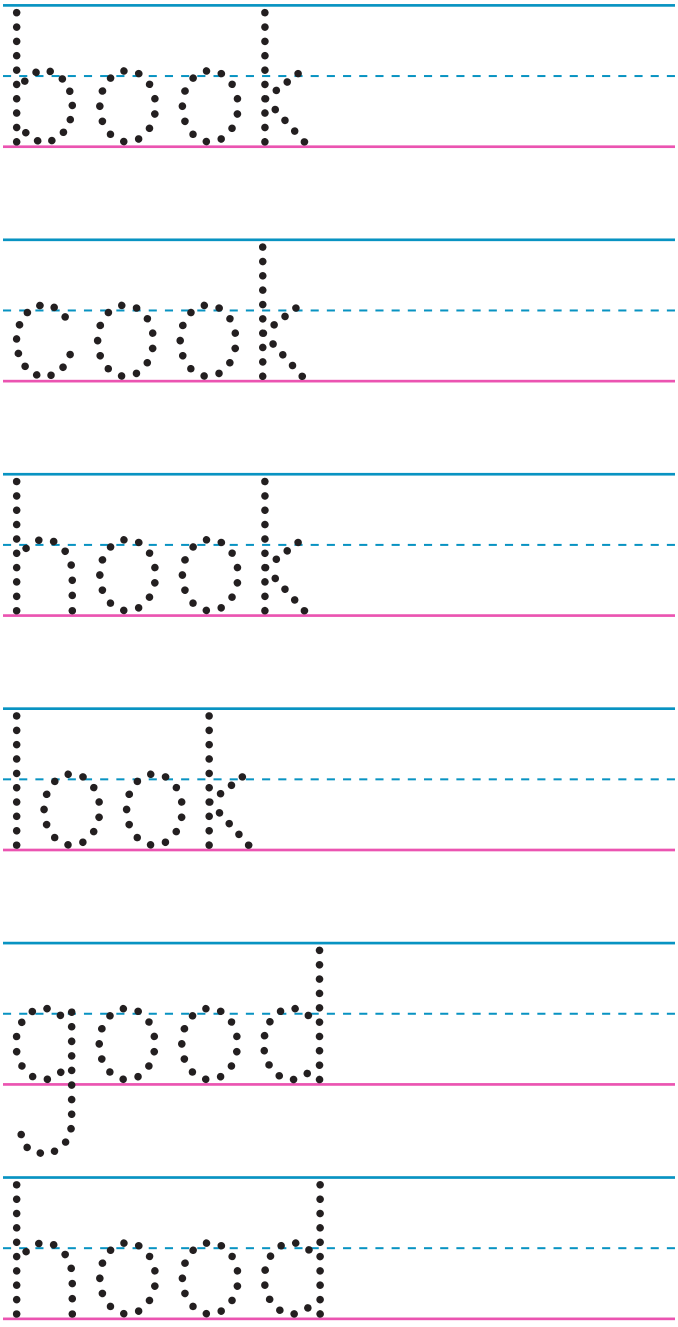
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Week 26

Best Friends for Frances by Russell Hoban



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Week 27

Always Room for One More
by Sorche Nic Leodhas

boat

road

coal

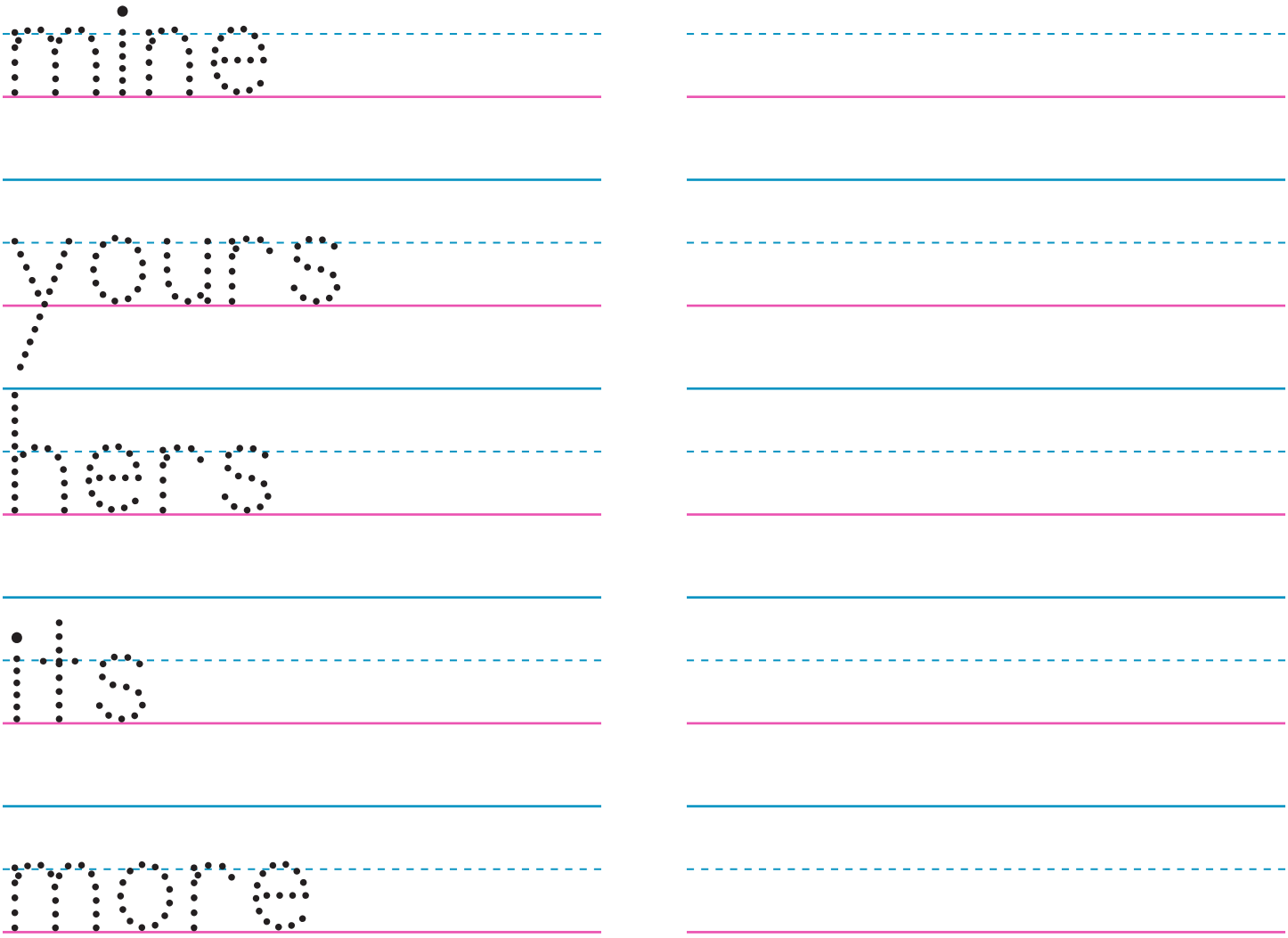
pool

moon

room

Week 27

Always Room for One More
by Sorche Nic Leodhas



Week 28

Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain
by Verna Aardema

face

race

bake

cake

make

game

Week 28

Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain
by Verna Aardema

name

cape

tape

cave

wave

animal

Week 29

Millions of Cats by Wanda Gág

code

joke

hole

home

bone

nose

Week 29

Millions of Cats by Wanda Gág

nose

nose

note

vote

woman

Week 30

Curious George Flies a Kite by Margret Rey

mice

rice

tire

bike

hike

dime

Week 30

Curious George Flies a Kite by Margret Rey

time

fire

write

kite

up

down

Week 31

Babar the King by Jean de Brunhoff

hide

ride

mile

pile

fine

line

Week 31

Babar the King by Jean de Brunhoff

nine

pipe

nose

drive

five

king

Week 32

This Is London by M. Sasek



Week 32

This Is London by M. Sasek

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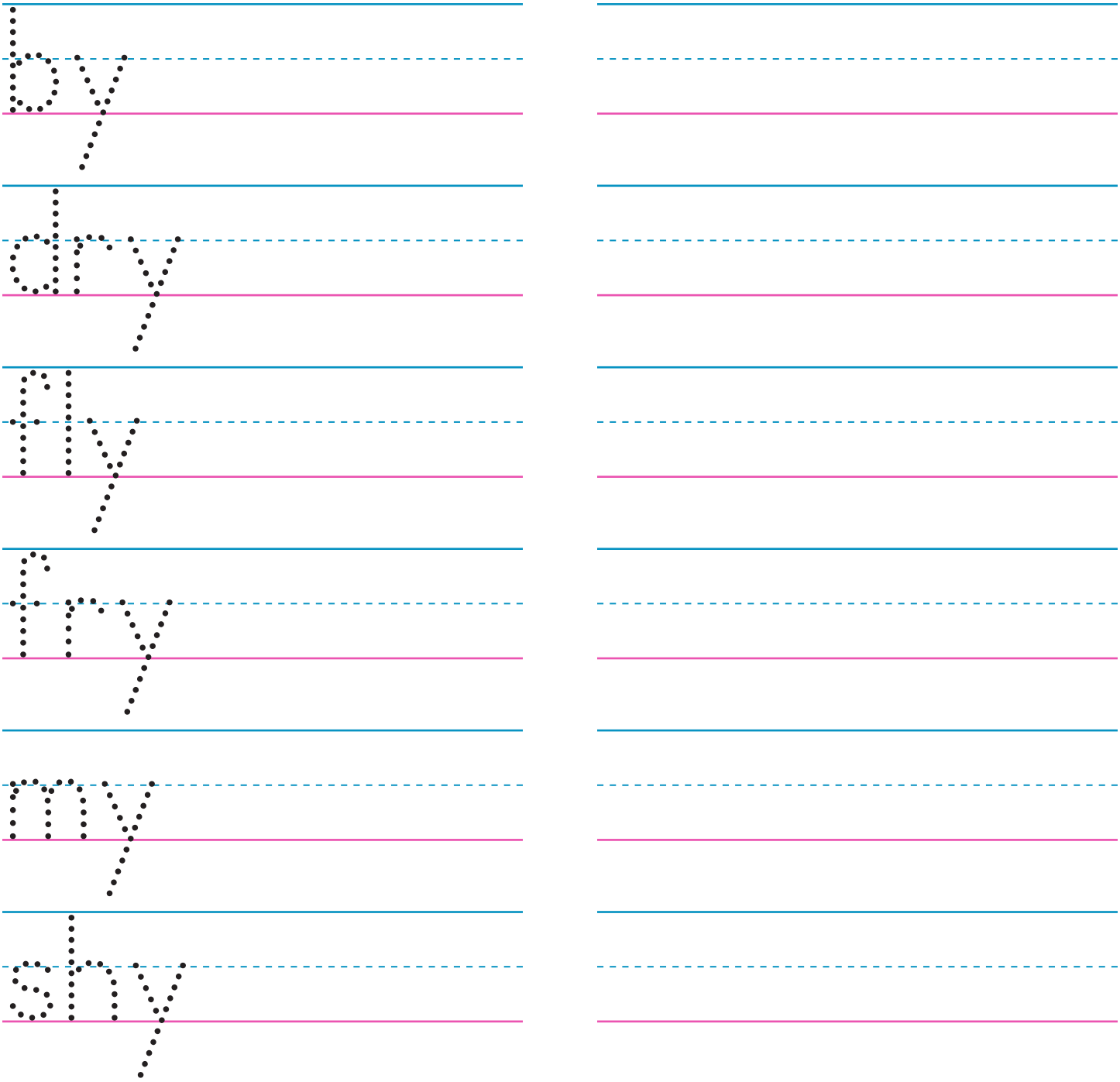
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Week 33

Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel
by Virginia Lee Burton



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Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel
by Virginia Lee Burton

sky

try

some

other

many

shovel

Week 34

How Droofus the Dragon Lost His Head
by Bill Peet

cow

how

now

plow

wow

dragon

Week 34

How Droofus the Dragon Lost His Head
by Bill Peet

wing

head

neck

horn

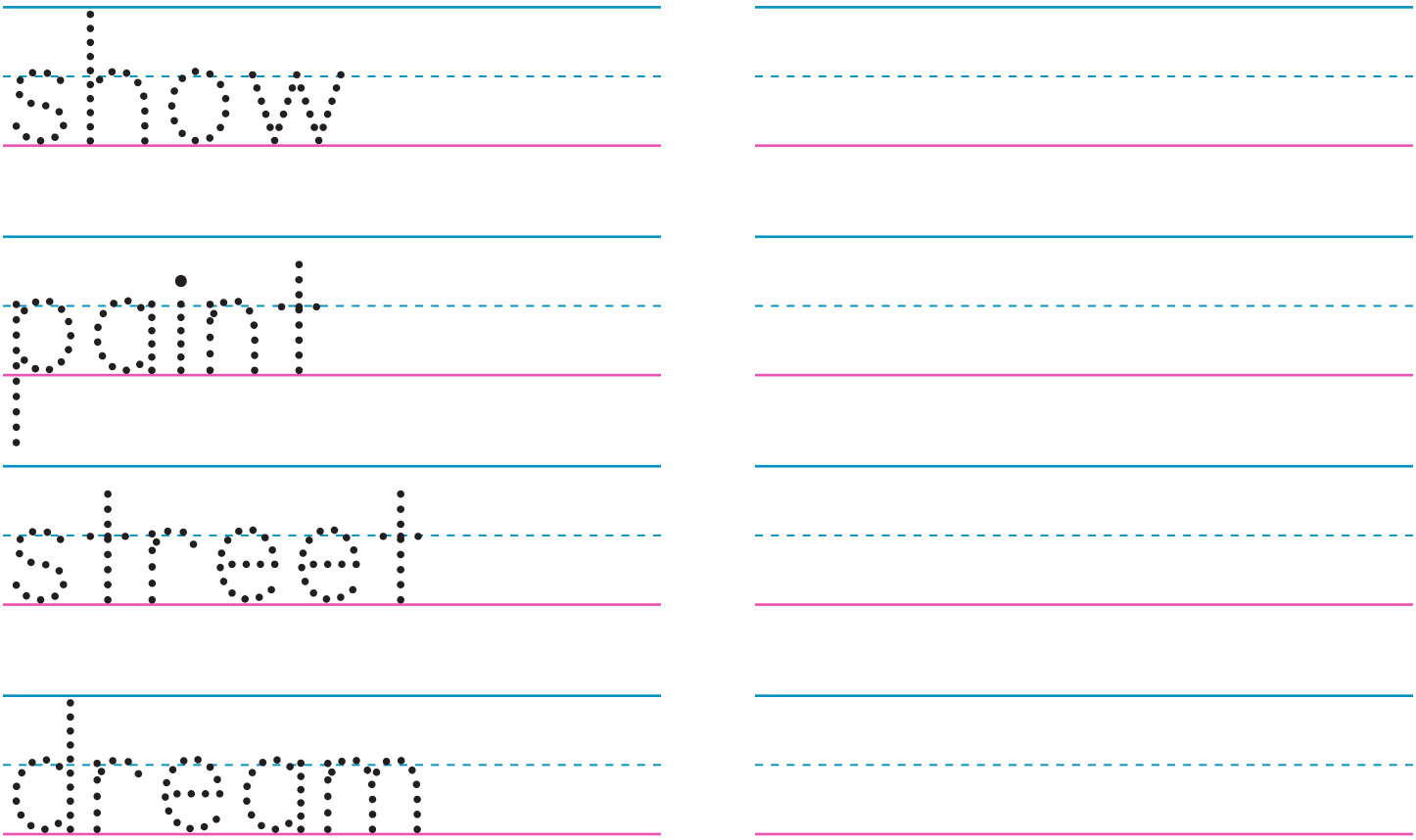
Week 35

The Big Orange Splot by Daniel Manus Pinkwater



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Week 36

Wabi Sabi by Mark Reibstein

bee

see

seed

week

feel

deep

Week 36

Wabi Sabi by Mark Reibstein

keep

dear

meet

Japan