

Spelling Words – Reach for Reading

**Grade 2**

**Unit 8**

**Week 1**

Words with Prefixes dis-, pre-, im-, in-  
disagree  
infield

Words with Suffixes -er, or, -less, -ness  
explorer  
fairness

High Frequency Words

America  
country  
father  
idea  
learn  
mother  
picture  
read  
seem  
word

More Words

display  
precook  
impolite  
visitor  
countless  
richness

## Week 1

Words with Prefixes dis-, pre-, im-, in-  
disagree

My friend and I **disagree** about playing softball.

infield

She likes to play **infield**, but I prefer outfield.

Words with Suffixes -er, -or, -less, -ness  
explorer

I feel like an **explorer** in all the tall grass.

fairness

**Fairness** is important, so we each got our first choice.

## High Frequency Words

America

Our nation is the United States of **America**.

country

We Americans all love our **country**.

father

The **father** of our country is George Washington.

idea

The founders of our country had a great **idea**.

learn

We **learn** about the early American leaders in school.

mother

Why isn't there a **mother** of our country, too?

picture

I saw a **picture** of George Washington in a museum.

read

Anyone can **read** about Washington's interesting life.

seem

There **seem** to be a lot of biographies about him.

word

One **word** that describes him is dignified.

## More Words

display

I saw this picnic cookbook on a **display** at the store.

precook

The book says to **precook** chicken before grilling it.

impolite

It is **impolite** to complain about the food choices.

visitor

Any **visitor** to our town is welcome at the picnic.

countless

The cakes at the dessert tent were almost **countless**!

richness

The **richness** of the icing was over the top!

## **Week 2**

Words with C+ le, \_tion, -ture

purple

single

nation

culture

High Frequency Words

example

got

music

sing

song

state

still

story

tell

today

More Words

middle

eagle

instruction

future

explosion

musician

## Week 2

Words with C+ le, \_tion, -ture

purple

Does the American flag have the color **purple** in it?

single

One **single** flag stands for all 50 states.

nation

Our **nation** has grown a lot in 230 years.

culture

Many groups are part of American **culture**.

High Frequency Words

example

New York is an **example** of a big American city.

got

I **got** a postcard from my aunt in New York City.

music

Aunt Pat's favorite kind of **music** is bluegrass.

sing

She wants to **sing** in a bluegrass band.

song

She sang me her favorite bluegrass **song**.

state

Do you know which **state** bluegrass comes from?

still

Many bluegrass singers **still** live in Kentucky.

story

Many bluegrass songs tell an interesting **story**.

tell

I like songs that **tell** a good tale.

today

**Today** bluegrass music is popular everywhere.

More Words

middle

I'm standing in the **middle** of a big forest.

eagle

Sitting on a tree branch is a bald **eagle**.

instruction

The eagle provides **instruction** to its babies.

future

The eaglets will hunt on their own in the **future**.

explosion

A far-off **explosion** startled the eagles.

musician

A **musician** should write a song about eagles.

### **Week 3**

#### Words with Schwa

flavor

nickel

#### Words with –ent, -ant

silent

pleasant

#### High Frequency Words

ate

bed

big

came

floor

home

left

life

new

sure

#### More Words

kitchen

signal

cellar

talent

recent

instant

### Week 3

Words with Schwa

flavor

What is your favorite **flavor** of ice cream?

nickel

When Grandpa was little, a cone cost only a **nickel**.

Words with –ent, -ant

silent

Grandpa grows **silent** when he thinks about the past.

pleasant

He had a very **pleasant** childhood in a small town.

High Frequency Words

ate

Last night we **ate** corn on the cob.

bed

I stayed up late before going to **bed**.

big

The moon looked very **big** and bright in my window.

came

The moonlight **came** into my bedroom.

floor

The light made a silver patch on the **floor**.

home

I feel safe when I'm at **home** in my bed.

left

Because it is warm, I **left** my window open.

life

I could hear the sounds of **life** outside at night.

new

Every night I hear a **new** sound outside my window.

sure

I'm **sure** other people like to listen to night sounds.

More Words

kitchen

I have good memories of my grandparents' **kitchen**.

signal

The smell of baked apples is a **signal** to those memories.

cellar

They stored apples in barrels in their **cellar**.

talent

Grandpa had a real **talent** for making pies.

recent

At a **recent** county fair, he won a blue ribbon.

instant

I would eat one of his pies in an **instant**.

**Week 4**

## Multisyllabic Words

compare

circle

faithful

vacation

## High Frequency Words

best

bring

color

fact

fly

lot

man

same

tree

white

## More Words

resistant

landform

duty

travel

happiness

explain

## Week 4

### Multisyllabic Words

compare

**Compare** two books to see how they are different.

circle

Draw a **circle** around the correct answer on the test.

faithful

I'm a **faithful** reader of the morning newspaper.

vacation

I'll read a lot of books over summer **vacation**.

### High Frequency Words

best

This will be the **best** trip we have ever taken.

bring

Be sure to **bring** your camera on our trip.

color

What **color** is your suitcase?

fact

Tell me an interesting **fact** about the national park.

fly

To get there, we will **fly** on an airplane.

lot

Going to the airport will be a **lot** of fun.

man

There's a **man** at the gate who will take your ticket.

same

The planes on the runway are not painted the **same**.

tree

There is not a single **tree** at the airport.

white

Our plane is that **white** one, next to the silver one.

### More Words

resistant

Mountains seem to be **resistant** to change.

landform

This mountain is the biggest **landform** in the park.

duty

Which ranger is on **duty** today?

travel

I love to **travel** to new places, don't you?

happiness

I am filled with **happiness** after a great trip.

explain

Let me **explain** how to plan a good trip.