

Level 1 Answer Key

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Stimulus Word	Question	Answer
ashes	What word rhymes with "ashes"?	Ex: flashes
ashes	What sound does the suffix "es" make?	/ɪz/
back	How many sounds are in this word?	3
back	Name the digraph in this word and its sound.	ck, /k/
baths	Name the digraph in this word.	th
bell	Why does this word have a double letter?	You double "l" at the end of one-syllable words.
boss	When do you add a double letter at the end of a word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
boxes	What does the suffix "es" say?	/ɪz/
bugs	What sound is the suffix making in this word?	/z/
buzz	Use three words to describe your perfect day.	Student's own response
cash	Tap out each sound in this word.	/k/ /ă/ /sh/ OR /k/ /æ/ /ʃ/
cash	What is a digraph?	Two letters that make one sound
checks	What type of syllable is this?	Closed
checks	How do you know?	It has one vowel and is followed by at least one consonant.
chess	When do you add a double letter to a word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
chin	What sound does "ch" make?	/ch/ OR /tʃ/
chop	What is a closed syllable?	It has one vowel and is followed by at least one consonant.
chop	What sound does "p" make?	/p/
cops	Tap out each sound in this word.	/k/ /ɒ/ /p/ /s/ OR /k/ /ɒ/ /p/ /s/
cops	What is the suffix in this word?	s
cuff	Tap out each sound in this word.	/k/ /ʊ/ /f/ OR /k/ /ʌ/ /f/
cuff	Why does this word have a double letter?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
dam	What sound does "am" make?	/am/ OR /æm/
dashes	What does the suffix "es" say?	/ɪz/
dashes	Tap out each sound in this word.	/d/ /ă/ /sh/ /ɪz/ OR /d/ /æ/ /ʃ/ /ɪz/
decks	What does the suffix "s" say?	/s/ or /z/
decks	Name two words that rhyme with this word.	Ex: necks, checks

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dig	Are there any opposites/antonyms of this word?	Yes. Ex: fill or cover
dishes	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
dock	Replace the "d" with the letter "l", and say the new word.	lock
ducks	What is the base word?	duck
ducks	What sound does the suffix make in this word?	/s/
dull	Why is there a double letter at the end of this word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
fan	Is the vowel in this word long or short?	The vowel is short.
fan	What helped you figure it out?	It is a closed syllable, so the vowel makes a short sound.
fell	What is the opposite/antonym of this word?	Ex: rose
fell	Use "fell" in a sentence.	Student's own response
fibs	How does the suffix change the meaning of this word?	It makes it plural or third person singular.
fizz	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
fog	Replace the vowel with "i", and say the new word.	fig
foxes	What does the suffix "es" say?	/ɪz/
foxes	Name three words with the suffix "es".	Ex: buses, dishes, wishes
fun	Tap out each sound in this word.	/f/ /ʊ/ /n/ OR /f/ /ʌ/ /n/
fun	What is the opposite of this word?	Ex: boring
fun	Use "fun" in a sentence.	Student's own response
fuss	Name the three most commonly used double letters at the end of a one-syllable word.	f, l, s
fuzzes	Tap out each sound in this word.	/f/ /ʊ/ /z/ /ɪz/ OR /f/ /ʌ/ /z/ /ɪz/
fuzzes	What does the suffix "es" say?	/ɪz/
gabs	Tap out each sound.	/g/ /ă/ /b/ /z/ OR /g/ /æ/ /b/ /z/
gabs	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
gum	Tap out each sound.	/g/ /ʊ/ /m/ OR /g/ /ʌ/ /m/
gum	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
hall	Why is there a double letter at the end of this word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.

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hall	What does "all" say?	/all/ OR /ɔl/
ham	Tap out each sound.	/h/ /am/ OR /h/ /æm/
ham	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
hip	Tap out each sound.	/h/ /ɪ/ /p/ OR /h/ /ɪ/ /p/
hip	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
huff	What does this word mean?	Breathe out loudly in anger or annoyance
huff	Use it in a sentence.	Student's own response
hugs	Name the suffix in this word.	s
hugs	How does the suffix change the meaning of this word?	Ex: makes it plural or third person singular
jam	What spelling rules will help you spell this word?	Ex: welded team "am"; use short vowel "a" with consonants; closed syllable pattern
lads	What does this word mean?	Ex: boys or young men
lads	Use it in a sentence.	Student's own response
lag	Tap out each sound.	/l/ /ă/ /g/ OR /l/ /æ/ /g/
lag	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
led	Replace the first letter with "f", and say the new word.	fed
led	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
less	What is the opposite of this word?	Ex: more
less	Use "less" in a sentence.	Student's own response
lid	Replace the first letter with "p" and the last letter with "ck", and say the new word.	pick
lid	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
lips	Tap out each sound.	/l/ /ɪ/ /p/ /s/ OR /l/ /ɪ/ /p/ /s/
lips	Name two words that rhyme with this word.	Ex: tips, sips
locks	What does this word mean?	Ex:secures or fastens something closed; things that secure or fasten closed
locks	What is the opposite of this word?	Ex: unlocks, opens
log	What does this word mean?	Ex:a piece of cut tree trunk or branch; record information; place to record information
log	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response

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mall	Replace the first letter with "t", and say the new word.	tall
mall	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
map	What is a map used for?	Showing locations and directions
map	Use "map" in a sentence.	Student's own response
mash	Replace the first letter with "b" and the digraph with "ck", and say the new word.	back
math	If you had to live somewhere for a year and eat only one food, where would you choose to live, and what food would you eat?	Student's own response
mess	If you could have any superpower, what would it be, and why?	Student's own response
mixes	What does the suffix "es" say?	/ɪz/
mixes	What five adjectives best describe you?	Student's own response
mobs	What does the suffix "s" say?	/s/ or /z/
mobs	Describe your perfect day in five words.	Student's own response
mop	Name four animals or foods that start with the same letter as this word.	Ex: monkey, mango, mouse, mushroom
moths	What sound does the suffix make in this word?	/s/
moths	Describe a time when you felt proud.	Student's own response
mush	What is the digraph in this word?	sh
mush	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
nap	What does this word mean?	A short sleep
nap	Use it in a sentence.	Student's own response
neck	Tap out each sound, and say the word.	/n/ /ɛ/ /k/ OR /n/ /e/ /k/
neck	Name the digraph in this word.	ck
nod	How many sounds are in this word, and what are they?	3 sounds: /n/ /ɒ/ /d/ OR /n/ /ɒ/ /d/
null	Tap out each sound, and say the word.	/n/ /ʌ/ /l/ OR /n/ /ʌ/ /l/
null	Why does this word have a double letter?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
pack	Tap out each sound, and say the word.	/p/ /æ/ /k/ OR /p/ /æ/ /k/
pack	Name the digraph in this word.	ck
pals	Tap out each sound, and say the word.	/p/ /æ/ /l/ /z/ OR /p/ /æ/ /l/ /z/

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pals	What sound does the suffix make in this word?	/z/
pass	Does this word have a suffix or a double/ bonus letter at the end?	Double letter
pass	How do you know?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
path	Tap out each sound, and say the word.	/p/ /ă/ /th/ OR /p/ /æ/ /θ/
path	Name the digraph in this word and its sound.	th; /th/ OR /θ/
peck	What is a digraph?	Two letters making one sound
peck	Name three digraphs and their sounds.	ch: /ch/ OR /tʃ/; sh: /sh/ OR /ʃ/; th: /th/ OR /θ/
pick	Identify the type of syllable.	Closed
pick	Use "pick" in a sentence.	Student's own response
pill	When do you add a double letter to the end of a word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
pit	Tap out the sounds in this word.	/p/ /ĭ/ /t/ OR /p/ /ɪ/ /t/
pit	Use "pit" in a sentence.	Student's own response
pop	What is a closed syllable?	It is a syllable with only one vowel followed by at least one consonant; vowel makes short sound
pop	What sound does the vowel make?	/ŏ/ OR /ɒ/
pot	What does this word mean?	A container for cooking or planting
pot	Use "pot" in a sentence.	Student's own response
puff	When do you add a double letter to a word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
puff	What is the opposite of this word?	Ex: deflate or flatten
quack	What is a digraph?	Two letters making one sound
quack	What is the digraph in this word?	ck
quick	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex: meaning: fast; opposite: slow
quick	Use "quick" in a sentence.	Student's own response
quip	What does this word mean?	A witty or clever remark
quip	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
quit	What does this word mean?	To stop or leave something
quit	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
quiz	Tap out each sound in this word.	/kw/ /ĭ/ /z/ OR /kw/ /ɪ/ /z/

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pals	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
rag	Replace the "g" with the letter "p", and say the new word.	rap
ram	Tap out each sound in this word.	/r/ /am/ OR /r/ /æm/
ram	What sound does "am" make?	/am/ OR /æm/
rash	What does this word mean?	A skin irritation or outbreak
rash	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
riches	What is the sound of the suffix "es"?	/ɪz/
riches	Name the opposite of this word.	Poverty
rock	Tap out the sounds in this word.	/r/ /ɒ/ /k/ OR /r/ /ɒ/ /k/
rock	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
rots	Name the suffix in this word.	s
rots	How does the suffix change the meaning?	Shows third person singular or makes it plural
rush	Name the digraph in this word and its sound.	sh: /sh/ OR /ʃ/
rush	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response
sad	Tap out each sound in this word.	/s/ /ă/ /d/ OR /s/ /æ/ /d/
sad	Replace the last letter with "ck", and say the new word.	sack
sags	Replace the first letter with "b", and say the new word.	bags
sags	Name three words with the suffix "s".	Ex: dogs, cats, hats
shed	Replace the letters "s-h-e" with "t-h-u", and say the new word.	thud
shell	Name the three double letters that are most often used at the end of a one-syllable word.	f, l, s
ship	Tap out each sound in this word.	/sh/ /ɪ/ /p/ OR /ʃ/ /ɪ/ /p/
ship	What are ships used for?	Traveling or carrying goods on water
shocks	Name the digraphs in this word and their sounds.	sh: /sh/ OR /ʃ/; ck: /k/
shocks	Name four words with digraphs.	Ex: chat, shop, thick, whale
shops	How does the suffix change the meaning of the word?	Makes it plural or third person singular
shops	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response

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shut	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex: meaning: close; opposite: open
shut	Use "shut" in a sentence.	Student's own response
sip	Tap out each sound.	/s/ ĭ/ /p/ OR /s/ /ɪ/ /p/
sip	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
sob	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex: meaning: cry; opposite: laugh
sob	Use "sob" in a sentence.	Student's own response
socks	What is the base word?	sock
socks	What is the suffix?	s
taxes	Name the suffix in this word.	es
taxes	How does the suffix change the meaning of the word?	Shows plural or third person singular
thick	What is the opposite of this word?	Ex: thin
thick	Use "thick" in a sentence.	Student's own response
tiff	Tap out each sound.	/t/ ĭ/ /f/ OR /t/ /ɪ/ /f/
tiff	When do you add a double letter to a word?	You double "f", "l", "s", and sometimes "z" at the end of one-syllable words.
tosses	Tap out each sound.	/t/ /ɔ̃/ /s/ /ɪz/ OR /t/ /ɒ/ /s/ /ɪz/
tosses	What is the sound of the suffix "es"?	/ɪz/
tosses	Use the word in a sentence.	Student's own response
tub	Replace the first letter with "r", and say the new word.	rub
tub	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
van	Name three words that end with "an".	Ex: man, fan, plan
van	Pick one of those words to use in a sentence.	Student's own response
wall	Name three words that end with "all".	Ex: ball, call, tall
wall	Pick one of those words to use in a sentence.	Student's own response
waxes	Tap out each sound in this word.	/w/ /ă/ /ks/ /ɪz/ OR /w/ /æ/ /ks/ /ɪz/
waxes	What sound does "es" make?	/ɪz/
whiff	What does this word mean?	A quick smell of something
whiff	Use it in a sentence.	Student's own response
whip	What sound does the "wh" make?	/w/ or /hw/

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whip	Do you tap out all four letters when tapping out the sounds in this word? Why or why not?	No; "wh" is one sound.
well	Replace the first letter with "t", and say the new word.	tell
well	Use "well" in a sentence.	Student's own response
will	Are you supposed to sound out the double letter in this word?	No
will	Why or why not?	Double letters at the end of one-syllable words only make one sound.
wish	Replace the first letter with "s" and the digraph with "ck", and say the new word.	sick
wish	Use the new word in a sentence.	Student's own response
yell	Name the meaning and opposite of this word.	Ex. meaning: shout loudly; opposite: whisper
yell	Use "yell" in a sentence.	Student's own response
yuck	If you could have any superpower, what would it be, and why?	Student's own response
zap	Tap out each sound in this word.	/z/ /ă/ /p/ OR /z/ /æ/ /p/
zap	Use this word in a sentence.	Student's own response