Magpie Literacy™

K–2 Skills Overview

Magpie Literacy™ K–2 curriculum builds essential foundational skills—from phonemic awareness to fluency—so students become capable readers. Students engage in precise, joyful digital skills practice, building mastery that transfers to confident reading.

		K	1st	2nd
Phonemic Awareness	Segmenting and Blending Phonemes in 2- and 3-letter words	•	•	
	Long vs. Short Vowel Sounds	•	•	•
	Continuous vs. Stop Consonants	•		
	Voiced vs. unvoiced sounds	•		
	Place of articulation	•		
	Manner of articulation	•		
	Closed vs. Open Syllables		•	•
Alphabet Knowledge	Letter Names - Capitals	•	•	
	Letter Names - Lower Case	•	•	
	Primary Letter Sounds - Capitals	•	•	
	Primary Letter Sounds - Lower Case	•	•	
Phonics	Nasalized Vowels	•		
	Signal e (ae, ie, oe, ue)	•	•	
	vCe	•	•	•
	Consonant Digraphs	•	•	•
	Consonant Clusters	•	•	•
	Double-Letter Consonants	•	•	•
	Common long vowel teams: ai, ay, ee, ea, ey, oa, ow, oe, ie, igh		•	•
	Other vowel teams: oo, ew, ui, ue, au, aw, augh, ea (short e), a (short o)		•	•
	Count syllables in a printed word		•	•
	Dipthongs		•	•
	-all, -oll, -ull		•	•
	R-controlled vowels		•	•
	Schwa			•
	Silent letters (kn, wr, mb)			•
	Low frequency vowel spellings			•
Spelling Rules	FLSZ Spelling Rule	•	•	•
	Doubling rule		•	•
	Drop -e rule		•	•
	-y to i rule x			•
	-le syllable type		•	•

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Morphology	Inflectional Endings	•	•	•
	Derivational morphemes	•	•	•
Word Recognition	Decode 2-letter words	•		
	Decode 3-letter words	•	•	
	Decode 4-letter words	•	•	•
	Decode 5-letter words	•	•	•
	High frequency words	•	•	
	Chunking 2-syllable words		•	•
	Chunking 3+-sylable words			•
Print Concepts	Left to right	•		
	Top to bottom	•		
	Turning pages	•		
	Spoken words represented by sounds	•		
	Spaces between words	•		
	Recognize ending punctuation	•		
	Sentence vs. letter vs. word	•		
Fluency	Read decodable phrases	•		
	Read decodable sentences	•	•	•
	Read decodable connected texts	•	•	•
Grammar/ Sentence	Parts of speech: noun, verb		•	•
	Conjugating verbs to match singular & plural nouns		•	•

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