

Dyslexia Steps Free printable worksheets

Long o words worksheets

6 pages · 57 words on the full list · answer key on the last page

Name: Date:

For the grown-up: do one page a day, about 5 to 10 minutes. Read each instruction aloud, then let your child do the work. Praise careful tries, not speed. Scan the code at the bottom to hear every word and play the free listening game. Answers are on page 6.

1 Read and re-read

Read each word. Say the sounds, then the whole word. Tick a box each time you read it.

	1	2	3		1	2	3
home	☐	☐	☐	grow	☐	☐	☐
boat	☐	☐	☐	hoe	☐	☐	☐
snow	☐	☐	☐	no	☐	☐	☐
toe	☐	☐	☐	gold	☐	☐	☐
go	☐	☐	☐	rope	☐	☐	☐
cold	☐	☐	☐	road	☐	☐	☐
bone	☐	☐	☐	slow	☐	☐	☐
coat	☐	☐	☐	doe	☐	☐	☐

Tip: read the list on three different days. By the third tick, most words should come quickly.

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Name: _____

2 Sound boxes

Say the word slowly. Write one sound in each box. Then read the word again.

Tip: push a coin or button into each box as you say each sound, then write. Some sounds are spelled with two or three letters (sh, ck, ee, igh): they share one box.

e a dotted box is a silent e: write e in it, it makes no sound.

nose example	n	o	s	e
soap				
bowl				
foe				
so				
told				
note				
goat				
blow				

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3 Missing letters

Choose the spelling from the box that makes a real word. Write it in the gap, then read the word.

For the grown-up: Only one spelling from the box makes a real word in each gap. You can also say each word aloud and let your child spell the sound.

Sound box: o o_e oa ow

1. ___ pen

write it: _____

2. st ___ n ___

write it: _____

3. r ___ bot

write it: _____

4. t ___ st

write it: _____

5. m ___ st

write it: _____

6. sh ___

write it: _____

7. b ___ lt

write it: _____

8. h ___ l ___

write it: _____

9. thr ___

write it: _____

10. fl ___ t

write it: _____

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Name: _____

4 Word sort

Read each word in the box. Write it under the heading where it belongs, then cross it out in the box.

goat bone rope road coat soap
nose hole blow grow slow bowl

O_e words as in home	Oa words as in boat	Ow words as in snow

Tip: read the heading word out loud first, then each word in the box. Do they sound alike?

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Name: _____

5 Read the sentences

Read each sentence out loud. Underline the long o words. Tick the box when you can read the sentence smoothly.

1. The goat is on the road. ☐
2. Go home and put on a coat. ☐
3. I hope it will snow. ☐
4. Joe hurt his toe on a stone. ☐
5. The old ghost told a joke. ☐
6. Show me the gold robot. ☐
7. Throw the bone in the hole. ☐
8. Most of the toast is cold. ☐

Great reading! You finished the pack.



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Answer key

For the grown-up. Check together and keep it light: a mistake shows which sound to practise next.

2. Sound boxes

1. **soap** s | oa | p
2. **bowl** b | ow | l
3. **foe** f | oe
4. **so** s | o
5. **told** t | o | l | d
6. **note** n | o | t | (e)
7. **goat** g | oa | t
8. **blow** b | l | ow

(e) = silent e: written, not heard.

3. Missing letters

1. **open** — o
2. **stone** — o_e
3. **robot** — o
4. **toast** — oa
5. **most** — o
6. **show** — ow
7. **bolt** — o
8. **hole** — o_e
9. **throw** — ow
10. **float** — oa

4. Word sort

O_e words: bone, rope, hole, nose
Oa words: coat, road, soap, goat
Ow words: grow, slow, bowl, blow

5. Underlined words

1. goat, road
2. Go, home, coat
3. hope, snow
4. toe, stone
5. ghost, told, joke
6. Show, gold, robot
7. Throw, bone, hole
8. Most, toast, cold

Next step: words that were hard today go on tomorrow's re-read list. When the whole pack feels easy, move on to the next list at dyslexiasteps.com/long-o-words (see "Practise next").

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