



1st Grade Packet Answer Key

The Schwa

Weekly Spelling Homework - Answer Key

(Form A) LESSON WEEK 27: The Schwa

Decoded Skill Words

agree

ago

open

local

zebra

total

away

frozen

sofa

hydrant

pilot

some

turn

divide

what

Spelling Tic Tac Toe

<p>1. Any proven word from the bank above is correct.</p>	<p>2. hydrant</p>	<p>3. Any proven word from the bank above is correct.</p>
<p>4. A correct answer will include the words below. Students should indicate that all three words begin with the schwa sound.</p> <p>agree ago away</p>	<p>5. Any three proven words from the bank above are correct.</p>	<p>6. A correct answer will include any word from the word bank and a picture to illustrate its meaning.</p>
<p>7. Any proven word from the bank above is correct.</p>	<p>8. A correct answer will consist of a sentence that includes a skill word from the word bank and at least one of the words below.</p> <p>because large turn any where</p>	<p>9. Any proven word from the bank above is correct.</p>

Reading Horizons Discovery® Spelling Lesson Week 27
Cloze Passage 1

Name _____ Date _____

From *Reading Horizons Discovery® Little Book "The Zebra"*

The zebra is a horse with white and black stripes. No two zebras have stripes that are alike. Zebras do not live alone. They roam along the open grasslands in big herds. The total number of males and females in a herd is not equal. There are many females and just one adult male. The oldest female decides where they will eat. All the zebras agree with her. Do you think it would be fun to see a zebra?



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Cloze Passage 1

The Schwa

ā|dū|t

ā|grē|ē

ā|lī|ē

ā|lō|ē

ē|quā|l

ō|pē|n

tō|tā|l

zē|brā

Name _____

The schwa is the unstressed vowel sound or syllable in a multi-syllabic word. All vowels can take the schwa sound.

Lesson 62: The Schwa

A word that has more than one syllable will often have an unstressed syllable or unstressed vowel sound called the *schwa*. The schwa is represented by an upside-down e (ə). The vowel *a* is often associated with the schwa sound if it acts as a word in a sentence (I have a dog) or if a word begins or ends with the spelling of *a* (agree, sofa). All vowels can take the schwa sound.

Prove and read the words below, using Decoding Skill 1 and the schwa. You may draw either boxes or lines to divide the syllables.

Examples:

ō x	p x	ē x	n x
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 ā | g ō
x x

bā | cōn
x x

hū | mān
x x

ē | ven
x x

sī | lent
x x

ā | dōpt
x x

prī | vate
x x x

lā | bel
x x

sō | fa
x x

nē | glēct
x x

ā | grēe
x x x

ē | vil
x x

fī | nal
x x

Reading Horizons Discovery® Spelling Lesson Week 27
Sort and Spell 2

Schwa in the First Syllable and Schwa in the Second Syllable	Schwa in the Second Syllable
polite	hydrant
away	bacon
alike	sofa
agree	pilot
ago	April
divide	tuna
amaze	item
	scuba

Name _____ Date _____

Using the words in the Word Sort, fill in the blanks to complete the sentences below.

1. It is polite to thank her for the gift.

2. Rosa sat on the blue sofa.

3. The pilot will fly the plane high above the trees.

4. Ava fed the cat a can of tuna fish.

5. Do you think scuba diving would be fun?

Name _____ Date _____

Using the words in the Word Sort, answer the questions below.

1. What letter begins most of the words in the first column? **a**

2. Are there more schwa sounds in the first or second syllable of the words in this sort? **2nd**

3. Write one word from the sort that ends with a schwa sound. **sofa, scuba, tuna**