



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Packet Answer Key

Exceptions to Murmur Diphthongs

## Weekly Spelling Homework - Answer Key

# (Form B) LESSON WEEK 23: Exceptions to Murmur Diphthongs

### Decoded Skill Words

w<sup>er</sup>ork      c<sup>a</sup>mp<sup>ā</sup>rē      t<sup>ō</sup>rē      y<sup>ear</sup>n      d<sup>ē</sup>er  
 car<sup>ve</sup>      p<sup>ā</sup>ir      c<sup>ā</sup>rē      c<sup>ū</sup>rē      f<sup>ī</sup>rē  
 d<sup>ē</sup>ar      nur<sup>se</sup>      w<sup>er</sup>orst      ch<sup>ar</sup>gē      a<sup>a</sup>ward<sup>or</sup>

### Spelling Tic Tac Toe

1. Any two proven words from the bank above are correct.	2. The proven words <i>deer</i> and <i>dear</i> are correct.	3. Any two proven words from the bank above are correct.
4. A correct answer will consist of a sentence that includes at least two skill words from the word bank.	5. Any three proven words from the bank above are correct.	6. Any two proven words from the same row below are correct.  compare   pair   care dear   deer
7. Any two proven words from the bank above are correct.	8. Any two words from the word bank that could appear in a story about a hospital are correct. Some possibilities are listed below.  nurse   care   cure   work	9. Any two proven words from the bank above are correct.

**Reading Horizons Discovery® Spelling Lesson Week 23**  
**Cloze Passage**

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When Earl gets older, he wants to be a nurse. He will get up early each day to learn how to care for the sick and hurt. After he is trained, he will look for work. He hopes they will hire him and put him in charge of a large ward. It will be hard, but it will be worth it to earn his living this way.



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## Cloze Passage

### Exceptions to Murmur Diphthongs

cāre

charge

early

earn

hire

large

learn

nurse

work

worth

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When a vowel does not follow a phonics skill, it is called an exception. Silent e, adjacent vowels, and w are exceptions when paired with a Murmur Diphthong in a word.

### Lesson 80: Exceptions to Murmur Diphthongs

**Silent E:** If a silent e is next to a Murmur Diphthong in a word, the silent e rules (cūre). Do not mark the Murmur Diphthong. Prove and read these words containing silent e.

fīre

cāre

hēre

pūre

mōre

tīre

glāre

lūre

stōre

**Adjacent Vowels:** When an adjacent vowel is next to a Murmur Diphthong in a word, the adjacent vowel rules (dēar). Do not mark the Murmur Diphthong. Prove and read these words containing adjacent vowels.

fēar

stēer

fāir

tēar

stāir

dēer

āir

clēar

chāir

Name \_\_\_\_\_

When a vowel does not follow a phonics skill, it is called an exception. Silent e, adjacent vowels, and w are exceptions to Murmur Diphthongs.

## Lesson 80: Exceptions to Murmur Diphthongs

**Crazy W:** When w comes before a in a word, the a has the sound of short o (w<sup>ö</sup>and<sup>\*</sup>).  
x

w<sup>ö</sup>ant<sup>\*</sup>  
x

w<sup>ö</sup>ander  
x

w<sup>ö</sup>affle<sup>e</sup>  
x

w<sup>ö</sup>ater  
x

sw<sup>ö</sup>an<sup>\*</sup>  
x

**w+ar:** When w is next to the Murmur Diphthong ar in a word, the ar says /or/ (w<sup>or</sup>an). Prove and read these words containing w and the ar Murmur Diphthong.  
x

w<sup>or</sup>ard  
x

dw<sup>or</sup>arf  
x

w<sup>or</sup>arm  
x

w<sup>or</sup>art  
x

w<sup>or</sup>arp  
x

wh<sup>or</sup>arf  
x

**w+or:** When w is next to the Murmur Diphthong or in a word, the or says /er/ (w<sup>er</sup>ork). Prove and read these words containing w and the or Murmur Diphthong.  
x

w<sup>er</sup>ord  
x

w<sup>er</sup>orld  
x

w<sup>er</sup>orm  
x

w<sup>er</sup>orst  
x

w<sup>er</sup>ork  
x

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Sort and Spell 2

Murmur Diphthong Exceptions, Adjacent Vowels, and EA before R and Another Consonant

Sort Murmur Diphthong Exception Words by Vowel Sound		
Long Vowel Sound		Murmur Diphthong Vowel Sound
air	clear	early
deer	fair	earth
fear	hair	learn
hear	near	pearl
pair	year	research
soar		
		earn
		heard
		search
		yearn

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

1. I yearn for the fresh air and clear streams of home.

2. Clark heard an owl and saw it soar over the treetops.

3. There is a pair of deer in our yard near the deck.

4. My cat has blue eyes, fair hair, and a pearl on her collar.

5. If Lara wants to learn about the earth, she will do research online.

6. Each morning, when I hear my alarm clock, I think it is too early to get out of bed.

7. She will earn more money at her job this year than she did before.

8. I fear my new puppy may be lost, so I will search for him until I find him.



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

1. Which word from the sort has a Blend? clear

2. How many words from the sort contain a Digraph?  
3: earth, search, research

3. How many words from the sort rhyme with *clear*?  
5: deer, fear, hear, near, year

4. Which words from the sort rhyme with *earn*?  
learn, yearn

5. Which word from the sort means *to take another look*? research

Sort by the Murmur Diphthong Sound Caused by the Wacky W		
/wor/	/wer/	/kwor/
warn	word	quarter
award	worst	quart
warm	worm	quartz
warp	work	
reward	worth	
	world	
	worry	

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

1. I have to warn you that the drinking water is warm.

2. This part of the watch is made from quartz.

3. Don't worry. That's not a snake; it's just a worm.

4. Do you ever wonder what the most common word in the world is?

5. The last storm was the worst storm we have had in a long time.

6. A lot of hard work went into earning the award.

7. There is a reward for anyone who can find the missing dog.

8. This quart of yummy homemade soup is worth more than a quarter!

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

1. How many words from the sort have two syllables?

4: award, reward, worry, quarter

2. Which two words from the first column have the same root? award, reward

3. What do the words *quart* and *quarter* have in common? They have the same root (quart).

4. Which word from the sort is another word for *earth*? world

5. Which word from the sort means *to bend or twist out of shape*? warp