Grades 1-3: Weekly Word Sort Homework Ideas (Monday-Thursday)

Closed Sort

Place header cards at the top of each column. Sort the words that fit the rule under each header. Words that don't fit any rule are considered "oddballs." When finished sorting, read down each column to check your work. Read your words to an adult so they can check. *NOTE: It is important for your child to do a Closed Sort each time they begin an activity so that they review the spelling patterns they are learning.

Teach Sort

Teach the sort to your parents. Read each word aloud as you are sorting. Explain why the words are sorted in a particular way. Sort the words a second time as fast as possible.

Buddy Sort

Lay down the pattern headers and have a parent read the rest of the words aloud. You must indicate where the word goes without seeing it. You should point to the pattern word it belongs to. Your parent will lay down the word in the category you selected. Repeat if you make a mistake.

Speed Sort

Sort the words into the correct category as fast as you can. Repeat this activity three times.

Glue Sort

Begin with a Closed Sort (see above). Open up the Word Work Homework Book and turn the book so that the lines are vertical. Glue your words in correct columns inside the Word Work Homework Book. Read your words to check your work. *Leave the book OPEN until the GLUE DRIES! Place the Word Work Homework Book inside your Book bag.

Writing Sort

Think of this like a "spelling test"

1. Write the headers at the top of each column on the Writing Sort Sheet.
2. Have an adult read you each word.
3. You must write the word correctly under the correct header.
4. At the end, go back and check your work.
5. Fix any errors that you had. You can talk about this with an adult.
6. Place the Writing Sort Sheet in the Take Home Fold.