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## Lesson 1

The letters  $\underline{ir}$  say /er/ as in bird. Rule:  $\underline{ir}$  is one of three ways to spell the /er/ sound in the middle of a word. The three ways to spell the /er/ sound are  $\underline{er}$ ,  $\underline{ir}$ ,  $\underline{ur}$ . There is no rule to help determine which spelling to use.

1. bird	2. girl	3. shirt	4. birthday
5. first	6. third	7. squirt	8. skirt
9. dirt	10. thirst	11. stir	12. squirrel



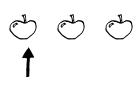




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#### Irregular Spelled Words

Read the irregular spelled words and sentences until you can read them smoothly. Write the sentence that goes with the picture. The first one has been done for you.

bull	there	water
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The squirrel has a nut in its paw.

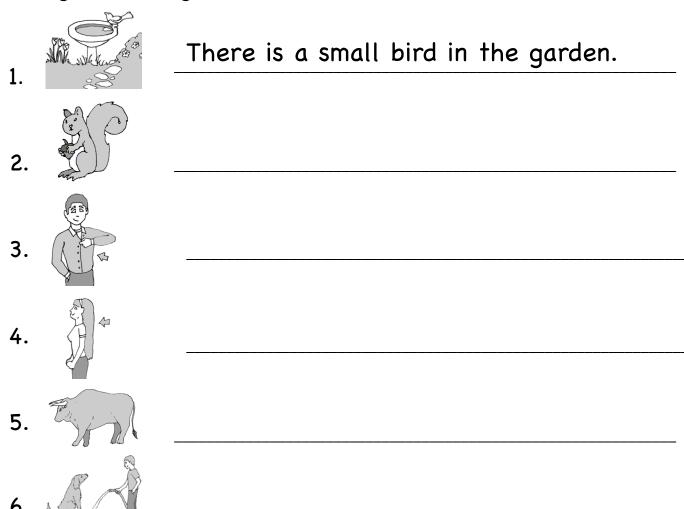
The bull has sharp horns.

He has a new shirt with long sleeves.

Please do not squirt the dog with water.

There is a small bird in the garden.

The girl has long brown hair.



#### Fill in the Blank

Fill in the blanks with the words from page 1 or the irregular spelled words from page 2. Use each word once. The pictures from page 1 are at the end of the sentences to help you.

1.	A hawk is a large	·	
2.	The dog likes to chase	the	
3.	The bird will drink	from the pond.	
4.	Your new white	is in the closet.	
5.	Here is a glass of water	er to quench your	
6.	She is the	player to hit a home run.	
7.	The seven boys will	water at each other.	1
8.	The big black	has a bell around its neck.	
9.	The girl will be six year	rs old on her next	
10.	Do you want to buy the	e brown or black?	
11.T	he boy will	the stew when it boils.	
12.	The twin girls are in _	grade.	
13.	Please sweep the	out of the house.	<b>/</b> ⊕\
14.	The lo	ost her canteen in the desert.	

## Compound Words

Compound Words combine two small words to make one word. Write the two small words that make up the one large word.

	Compound Word	Small Word	Small Word
1.	chopsticks		
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2.	checkup		
3.	freshman		
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4.	softball		
5.	lipstick		
6.	junkyard		
7.	runway		
8.	hubcap		
9.	snapshot		
10.	backyard		

Fill in the blanks with one of the compound words.

11.	My new	is bright red
12.	Your	is at three o'clock
13.	Their airplane is now landing on the	
14.	The puppies will play in the	
15.	The girls play on a	team

## Jumble

Unscramble the words on the left. Use the words on the right for your answers.

1.	srtif	bird
	drtih	girl
	rieqlrsu	shirt
4.	rlgi	birthday
	lubl	first
	krtis	squirt
	srit	skirt
	drbi	dirt
	triadybh	thirst
	thris	squirrel
	strqiu	stir
	srtiht	third
	trdi	bull