

Dear Family:

Unit 17 is the last one in Fundations® Level 2. The final syllable type is introduced in this Unit. The syllable is called the *consonant-le syllable*. This syllable is always at the end of a multisyllabic word such as **bubble** or **bicycle**. It always has only three letters: a **consonant**, then the letter **l**, and lastly a silent **e**.

We mark this syllable:

The consonant will be different, but there is always an 1 and an e. It may be helpful to have your child identify the consonant-le in a word, then read the word. In the word bugle, isolate gle which will help identify the long u sound in bu because it is an open syllable. In the word struggle, isolate gle to identify the short u sound in strug because it is a closed syllable.

Knowing the six syllable types in English words will greatly help your child read and spell many words. Thank you for being your child's Coach throughout this year. Your help is truly appreciated and has made a big difference. Of course I encourage you to read together all summer long. Make an effort to find books from different genres: fiction, fantasy, historical fiction, mystery, etc. Here are a few books to get you started:

James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl (Knopf, 1961)
Ramona Quimby, Age 8 by Beverly Cleary (Marrow, 1981)
The Watsons Go to Birmingham: 1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis (Delacorte, 1995)

Sincerely,





#### Follow These 5 Steps:

- 1. Dictate the word or sentence.
- 2. Have your child repeat it.
- **3.** Have your child write it.
- 4. Read the word or sentence again and have your child proofread it carefully.
- 5. Check his/her work.

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Dictate the words a	nd sentence to y	our	child follov	ving the 5 s	teps listed	above.	
On Monday Dictate	Review Words	>	lantern	edited	cheap	dunked	
On Tuesday Dictate	<b>Current Words</b>	$\rightarrow$	tickle	sparkle	freckle	pickle	snorkel
On Wednesday Dictate	Trick Words	•	trouble	school	couple	lose	young
On Thursday Dictate	Sentence	<b>→</b>	The othe	r players ta	ckle well.		





# Do the "Find the Syllable Type" Activity

Have your child circle the words containing a consonant-le syllable and cross out any word that does not have a consonant-le syllable.

turtle	beagle	bold
rexcue	fumble	nibble
thirsty	staple	purple
needle	base	handle
fizzle	scribble	moist

Have your child write the consonant-le syllable words from above on the lines below.

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# Do the "Read, Write and Mark" Activity

Have your child read the following words, copy them on the line and mark up the syllables.

purple	purple	apple	
turtle	r -le 	bugle	
beagle	· .	juggle	
needle		fizzle	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
cradle		nibble	
staple		muzzle	
gobble		jumble	
candle		wiggle	
table		simple	
riddle		puzzle	·





# Do the "Match the Syllable" Activity

Have your child read the syllables on the left and right and match the syllables to form real words.

bu	ple
dim	gle
jum	ble

trem	gle
hud	ble
jug	dle

Have your child write the words from above on the lines below.





### Do the "Find the Consonant-le Syllable" Activity

Read the sentences with your child. Have your child find the words with the consonant-le syllable. Have your child circle them and divide the words by underlining each syllable.

- 1 The club must have a raffle and, hopefully, make some cash.
- **2** Did the kids struggle with the puzzle?
- **3** Could you staple these tests and pass them to the kids in the class?
- 4 Jake attempted to juggle with eggs!
- **5** We must try to get the opponent to fumble the ball.
- 6 Henry will get the bundle in the van and put it in the pantry.
- 7 I will sit in the pony's saddle.
- 8 Do not disrupt the baby in the cradle.
- **9** This is a simple spelling quiz.
- 10 The bottle is empty, but the baby is still expecting more.

young

couple

Cut words into flashcards. 1. Each night, help your child read all Trick Words from previous units, as well as these. 2. Have your child trace each new Trick Word with his or her finger and spell it aloud; and 3. Cover up the Trick Word and have your child write it with his or her finger on the table while naming each letter.

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### Writing Grid for Word and Sentence Homework

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