



Expect Education
BECAUSE THERE'S MORE TO YOU THAN YOU THINK

Level 2

BOOK 2B

SPELLING SUCKS!

...but we do it anyway.

12

weeks

240

words

1

page a day

Plus a spelling test every Friday.



Skye's back. Still no shortcuts.

Expect Education
Spell Squad series

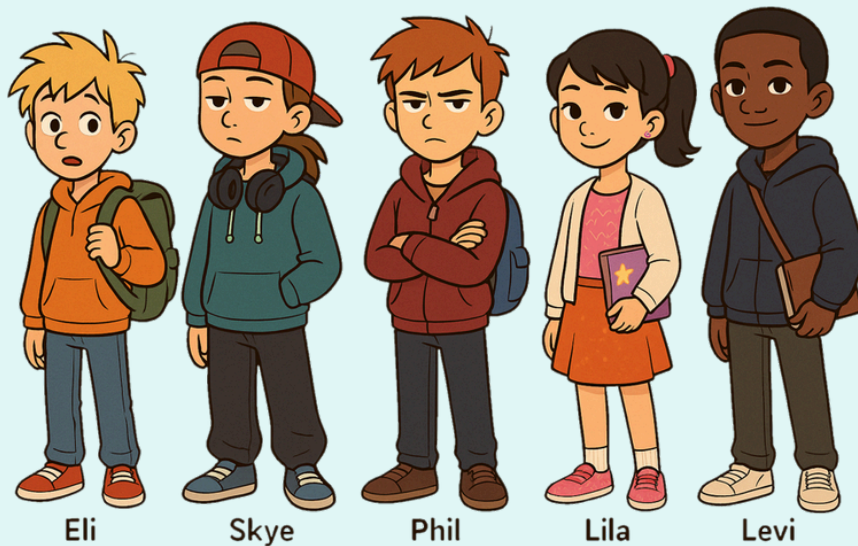
WELCOME!

You're now part of an elite team of reluctant spelling warriors.

We're not here because we love spelling... we're here because we've got goals, grit, and just enough sarcasm to get through it.

Welcome back to the squad! **Skye** made it through Book 2A, and now she's taking on plurals, prefixes, suffixes and those sneaky apostrophes.

But guess what? This book is just **one** stage of the journey.



Want to level up? Meet the squad.

1**Eli**

Clumsy beginnings. Big heart. Lots of mistakes.

2**Skye****You are here**

Shortcuts, guesses, and low-key genius.

3**Phil**

Sarcasm, sweat, and serious spelling power.

4**Lila**

Style, logic, and word-perfect precision.

5**Levi**

Calm, cool, and in total control of every syllable.

HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

One page a day. Five days a week. Twelve weeks. Let's go.

Each week focuses on one spelling pattern. You'll follow the same routine every week, and the squad will pop up with jokes, tips, groans and (occasionally) actual help.

Day 1

Theme & word list

Meet the week's spelling pattern and the 20 words you'll be working with.

Day 2

Look, cover, write, check

Say each word out loud. Get it wrong. Get it right. You'll write every word four times.

Day 3

Sentence builder

Write each word in a proper sentence. No cheating with "I like ___". Make it count.

Day 4

Word workout 1

Sorting, spotting and fixing: puzzles that make the rule stick.

Day 5

Word workout 2 & test prep

A puzzle that changes every week, then a mini review to get you ready for the test.

Test

Notes & spelling test

Jot down the tricky ones, take your test, and score yourself out of 20.

Tips for getting the most out of it

- ☐ Use a pencil. You'll make mistakes. That's the point.
- ☐ Say the words out loud. Hearing helps remembering.
- ☐ Try your best, not your fastest.
- ☐ Don't skip pages, and ask for help when you need it.
- ☐ Grown-ups: the answers are at the back of the book.

Most importantly: stick with it. That's what the squad is all about.



Week 13 · Level 2

LIST NUMBER 13

/s/ and /j/ sounds

s ce ci sc j ge gi dge

Soft c, soft g,
soft brain.



This week's mission

Soft **c** says /s/ before e, i or y (advance**ce**, citi**zen**), and soft **g** says /j/ (strange**r**, rigi**d**). Level 2 adds **sc** (sci**ence**, cres**cent**) and **dge**: straight after a short vowel, the /j/ sound at the end of a word is spelled dge (edge**dge**, bridge**dge**).

advance**ce**citi**zen**sci**ence**strange**r**bridge**dge**

Tick off each day as
you finish it

☐

Mon

☐

Tue

☐

Wed

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Thu

☐

Fri

13**LIST 13 · /S/ AND /J/ SOUNDS**

Meet your 20 words. Study them, then make them yours.

EXAMPLE**sci** ence **noun**

Finding out how the world works by watching and testing things.

Note

Use a dictionary, phone or computer to help, but write the definitions in your own words.

1 single _____**11** project _____**2** secure _____**12** garbage _____**3** officer _____**13** stranger _____**4** advance _____**14** cottage _____**5** scarce _____**15** engine _____**6** cigar _____**16** gigantic _____**7** citizen _____**17** rigid _____**8** science _____**18** judge _____**9** crescent _____**19** edge _____**10** jungle _____**20** bridge _____**Task**

Like the example: underline each syllable, highlight the /s/ or /j/ spelling, write the part of speech (noun, verb, adjective) on the dotted line and the meaning on the line below.

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LOOK, COVER, WRITE, CHECK

Read the word, cover it, try to write it, then check your spelling.

	Try 1	Try 2	Try 3	Try 4	✓
single					☐
secure					☐
officer					☐
advance					☐
scarce					☐
cigar					☐
citizen					☐
science					☐
crescent					☐
jungle					☐
project					☐
garbage					☐
stranger					☐
cottage					☐
engine					☐
gigantic					☐
rigid					☐
judge					☐
edge					☐
bridge					☐

Task

Fold the page or use a ruler to hide the words. Do one try at a time: write it, uncover, check. Tick the box once you get it right all four times.

3

SENTENCE BUILDER

Write a sentence using each word from List 13.

example: The **judge** gave Skye's cake ten out of ten, then asked for a second slice.

single

secure

officer

advance

scarce

cigar

citizen

science

crescent

jungle

project

garbage

stranger

cottage

engine

gigantic

rigid

judge

edge

bridge

Task

Every sentence needs a capital letter, a full stop and at least six words. Make it something only *you* would write.

4

WORD WORKOUT 1

Sort it, spot it, prove it.

A • Soft sounds sort

Sort the words by how they spell the /s/ or /j/ sound.

advance

single

rigid

bridge

crescent

citizen

secure

scarce

jungle

project

engine

garbage

gigantic

cottage

science

stranger

judge

cigar

edge

officer

s / ce / ci

sc

j

ge / gi

dge

B • Meaning match

Draw a line from each word to its meaning.

single

Someone you do not know

secure

The subject where you do experiments

officer

Only one

science

Safe and locked

jungle

A thick, hot forest

stranger

A police ___

5**WORD WORKOUT 2**

One last workout, then get ready for your test.

A - Spot the mistakes: A note from Skye

Skye wrote this in a hurry and didn't check it. There are **6 spelling mistakes**, all words from List 13. Circle each one, then write it correctly below.

Our sciense teacher let us make slime. A strangur knocked on the classroom door. It was a man fixing the boiler engine. He had to cross the brige to get to school. The playground looked like a jongle after the rain. I will be the judge of the slime competition.

1 _____**2** _____**3** _____**4** _____**5** _____**6** _____**B - Test prep**

Ask someone to read you five words from List 13 that you find tricky. Write them without looking, then check.

1 _____**2** _____**3** _____**4** _____**5** _____

**A robot did my
homework. Kidding.
Unless...?**





NOTES & TEST

Jot down anything tricky, then test yourself after all the practice.

My notes

[illegible]

Soft g. Hard test.

Spelling test

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10
- 11
- 12
- 13
- 14
- 15
- 16
- 17
- 18
- 19
- 20

Score **/ 20**



ANSWERS FOR GROWN-UPS

Answers to every workout. For Look, Cover, Write, Check and the spelling test, use the word list.

List 13 · /s/ and /j/ sounds

Workout 1A: Soft sounds sort

s / ce / ci: single, secure, officer, advance, scarce, cigar, citizen · sc: science, crescent · j: jungle, project · ge / gi: garbage, stranger, cottage, engine, gigantic, rigid · dge: judge, edge, bridge

Workout 1B: Meaning match

single = Only one · secure = Safe and locked · officer = A police ___ · science = The subject where you do experiments · jungle = A thick, hot forest · stranger = Someone you do not know

Workout 2: Spot the mistakes

sciense → science · strangur → stranger · enginne → engine · brige → bridge · jongle → jungle · judje → judge

List 14 · Double consonants

Workout 1A: ABC order

battleground, cannon, different, gorilla, missile, puzzle, vanilla, waffle

Workout 1B: Fix it

1 missile · 2 occur · 3 cannon · 4 battleground · 5 blossoming · 6 pollen · 7 umbrella · 8 gorilla

Workout 2: Crossword

Across: 1 gorilla, 4 different, 6 waffle, 7 address · Down: 1 giggle, 2 vanilla, 3 cannon, 5 recess

List 15 · Compound words

Workout 1A: Glue them together

1 everywhere · 2 newspaper · 3 peppermint · 4 supermarket · 5 cheerleader · 6 greenhouse · 7 earthworm · 8 bumblebee

Workout 1B: Split them up

flash | light · table | cloth · any | body · live | stock · when | ever · under | ground · an | other · near | by

Workout 2: Hidden words

1 nearby, underground · 2 eardrum, another · 3 peppermint · 4 newspaper, livestock · 5 anybody, greenhouse · 6 flashlight

SPELLING SUCKS!

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