



Home School Connection

Dear Family Member:

This week our class will be focusing on how animals help each other.

Here are some activities that you can do with your child to help reinforce the skills we'll be practicing.

Word Workout

- **Words to Know: sentence clues** Ask your child to draw a picture of a favorite animal. Then help him or her use the words to tell a story about the animal.
- **Spelling/Phonics: long *e* sound—*e*, *ee*, and *ea*** Help your child sort the spelling words into three groups according to the way the long *e* sound is spelled. Then write additional words with the long *e* sound spelled *e*, *ee*, and *ea*. This week's phonic sound is long *e*, as in *me*, *need*, and *seat*.

Comprehension: main idea and key details

Help your child read a story, and then fill in a chart to tell the main idea and some details of the story.

Online Study Guide

Please complete the study guide online. This will help prepare you for the Assessment Tuesday.

Ms. Mills



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Mills: SPELLING WORDS 2-10 TO 2-13

TO GIVE STUDENTS A BREAK FROM HOMEWORK WE WILL BE TAKING OUR SPELLING TEST ON FRIDAY THE 13TH.

The words in the following list are easier than those in Word Workout. They contain less complex patterns.

me

feet

eat

we

keep

sea

Review

pay

rain

High Frequency Words

because

other

Use the following activities for practicing the above words with your child.

1. Create flashcards by writing each word on an index card or slip of paper. Practice them with your child.
2. Make up a sentence using a word on the list, but say "blank" in place of the spelling word. Have your child pick the word that completes the sentence by saying the word and spelling it.
3. Say a word on the list and have your child spell it. Then ask your child to say a word that rhymes with the word just spelled. Have your child write a short two-line poem with one of the pairs of

Word Workout

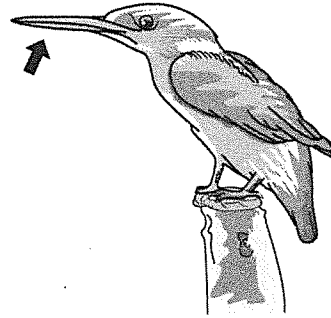
Words to Know

Draw a picture of your favorite animal. Then use these words to tell me a story about that animal.

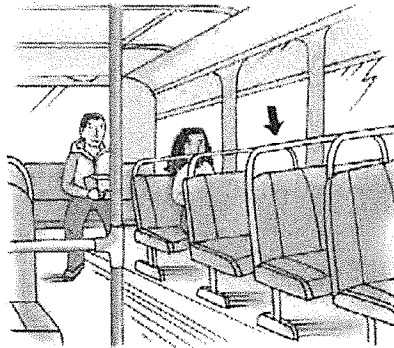
because	other
blue	small
into	danger
or	partner

Spelling Words

Let's write e, ee, and ea at the top of each of three pieces of paper. Then look at your spelling words. For each word, find the piece of paper that has the same letter sounds. Write the word on the paper that matches. Then let's see if we can think of other words we can add to each piece of paper by changing the first letter of each of the words.



me	we
feed	keep
seat	beak

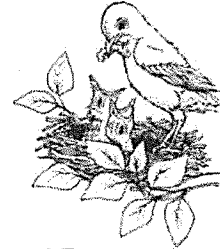


Review: play rain

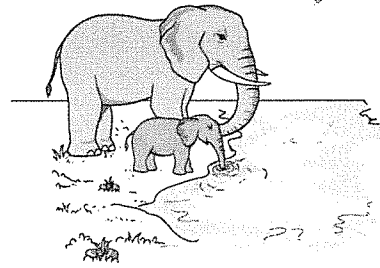
Animals Help

Let's read the story. Then we'll fill in the chart to tell about the main idea of the story and some details.

Mama bird looks for worms for her babies.
Then she comes back to the nest.
She feeds her babies.



Mama elephant takes her baby to the river.
She shows him where to get water.
She keeps him safe while he drinks.



Main Idea: _____

Details: _____

Details: _____

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Sample answers: Main Idea: Adult animals take care of their babies; Detail: Mother birds feed baby birds worms; Detail: Mother elephants keep babies safe.

Name _____

Fold back the paper along the dotted line. Use the blanks to write each word as it is read aloud. When you finish the test, unfold the paper. Use the list at the right to correct any spelling mistakes.

1.	_____

2.	_____

3.	_____

4.	_____

5.	_____

6.	_____

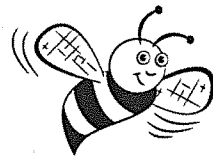
7.	_____

8.	_____

- 1. me
- 2. feed
- 3. seat
- 4. we
- 5. keep
- 6. beak
- 7. other
- 8. because

High-Frequency Words

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Name _____

me
keep

feed
beak

seat
other

we
because

**Add the word parts together to make a spelling word.
Write the spelling word on the line.**

1. w + e =

2. o + ther =

3. s + eat =

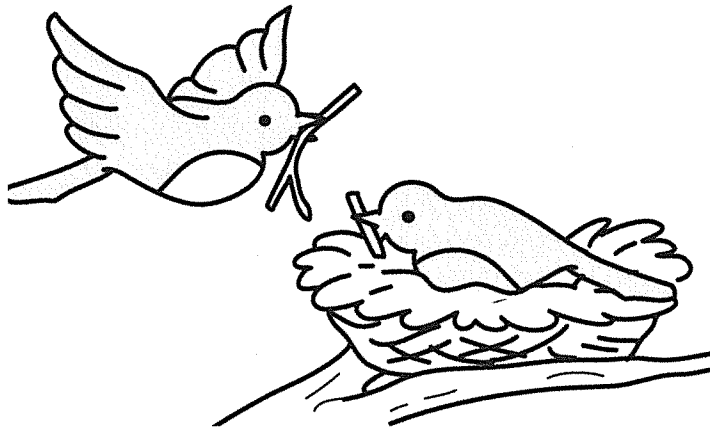
4. m + e =

5. f + eed =

6. b + eak =

7. k + eep =

8. be + cause =



Name _____

me	feed	seat	we
keep	beak	other	because

Write the spelling words that have 2 letters.

_____	_____
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1. _____	2. _____

Write the spelling words that have 4 letters.

_____	_____
-----	-----
3. _____	4. _____
_____	_____
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5. _____	6. _____

Write the spelling word that has 5 letters.

7. _____

Write the spelling word that has 7 letters.

8. _____

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