

## Lesson 27: Vowel Clusters, Consonant Clusters, and R-Influenced Vowels

Directions: This is an introduction to vowel clusters, consonant clusters, and R-influenced vowels. Model each sound for your student and have your student repeat it back to you. Then read the words with that pattern. It is important that the students learn these and make them part of their long-term memory. Therefore, review this page daily until the student can say them without prompts. In future lessons, we will expand on each cluster and sound.

### **or**

order

orbit

born

torn

LORD

### **ar**

art

arm

park

car

carpet

### **er, ir, ur**

er in her

ir in first

ur in fur

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### **sh**

shoe

shop

sheep

ship

shade

### **ch** (first sound)

church

chunk

child

chair

chicken

### **th**

the

them

they

than

this

**th** (tongue against your teeth and blow a little air)

think      thud  
thank      thirst  
thick      thirty  
thin      thumb

**thr**

three      throw  
thrill      threw  
thread      throat

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**ow** (pinch sound)

owl  
fowl  
howl  
How now brown cow.  
Go take a shower.

**ou** (pinch sound used in the middle of words)

out      house  
ouch      mouse  
pouch      blouse  
couch      loud  
round      cloud  
found      proud  
sound

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**ew=oo** (or long u sound)

new    crew    flew  
blew    chew    stew

**ow=(long o sound)**

blow    snow    slow  
low    tow    bow

**aw** (at the end of words and before L, N, and K)

**au** (in the middle of words)

saw paw

haul vault

jaw law

Paul taught

dawn shawl

sauce

squawk

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**ing** in sing

**ink** in think

**ang** in sang

**ank** in thank

**ong** in song

**onk** in honk

**ung** in sung

**unk** in sunk

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**oy** (used at the end of a word or syllable)

Joy      enjoy  
toy      loyal  
boy      annoy  
Roy

**oi** (used in the middle of words)

toil      point  
boil      joint  
soil      coin

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**oo** (short sound used within the root)

look      good  
book      stood  
cook      wood  
crook      hood

**oo** (long sound used in the root and at the end of words)

moon      scoot  
soon      shoot  
spoon      toot  
zoo      hoot

**ti=sh**

**ci=sh**

**si=sh**

**tion=shun**

**cial=shal**

**sion=shun**

creat**ti**on

spec**ci**al

miss**si**on

stat**ti**on

so**ci**al

discuss**si**on

nati**ti**on

prec**ci**ous

admiss**si**on

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**hard sound of g=j      soft sound of c=s**

**gi=j**      giant   magic

**ci=s**      city   mice

**ge=j**      gentle   cage

**ce=s**      cent   cell

**gy=j**      gym

**cy=s**      cycle   cyclone

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**wh=hw** (used in question words)

what      whack

when      white

where      wheels

why      whip

**ch=sh** (2<sup>nd</sup> sound)

(Words of French origin.)

chef      chic

chute      Chicago

chaperone

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**a=ah**

father      wash

wasp      water

want      wand

**a=short u**

asleep      awake

alike      arise

amaze      away

**Ch=k** (words of Greek origin)

Chris

Christ

Christian

Christmas

school

echo

ache

**ph=f** (words of Greek origin)

phone

phonics

photo

nephew

graph

phooey

Sophia

seraphim