



A Long Journey to Freedom

This document was compiled to help teachers engage students in the performance of the spelling portion of language standard 2:

L.2.2.d Generalize learned spelling patterns when writing words (e.g., cage → badge; boy → boil).

Sorts	Examples				Unit Examples
Diphthongs and Other Ambiguous Vowels oi, oy	<u>oi</u> point soil boil coin	<u>oy</u> ploy enjoy coy decoy			boy- poem, "Lincoln"
Diphthongs and Other Ambiguous Vowels aw, au	<u>aw</u> saw claw lawn drawn	<u>au</u> caught fault taught sauce	oddball laugh		cause- poem, "Merry-Go-Round"
Diphthongs and Other Ambiguous Vowels wa, al, ou	<u>wa</u> watch wash swap swat	<u>al</u> almost tall calm bald	<u>ou</u> bought fought cough thought		
Diphthongs and Other Ambiguous Vowels ou, ow	<u>ou</u> sound cloud south mouth	<u>ow</u> growl crown drown plow	oddball tough rough grown		south, down, round- poem, "Merry-Go-Round" how, down- poem, "Rosa"
Diphthongs and Other Ambiguous Vowels oo=u, oo	<u>oo=u</u> soon fool noon proof	<u>oo</u> good hook crook brook	oddball could would should		down, round- poem, "Merry-Go-Round" woods, looking- poem, "Harriet Tubman" book- poem, "Lincoln" stood- poem, "Rosa"
Review for Diphthongs and Other Ambiguous Vowels aw, au, al, ow, ou, oy, oi	<u>aw</u> crawl drawn yawn	<u>al</u> small chalk also	<u>ou</u> mouth couch cloud	<u>oi</u> soil point noise	
	<u>au</u> haul launch vault	<u>ow</u> growl drown gown	<u>oy</u> joy boy toy		

Many resources were utilized in the creation of this document, including, but not limited to:

Words Their Way: Word Study for Phonics, Vocabulary, and Spelling Instruction (5th edition) Bear, Templeton, Invernizzi & Johnson, 2012
Common Core Curriculum Maps, www.commoncore.org