

Reading & Writing

What is Spell to Write and Read?

Spell to Write and Read is a non-consumable, unified language arts curriculum for all ages and learning styles from kindergarten through high school. It is a complete and comprehensive phonics-based language arts program which focuses on spelling mastery while integrating phonics, penmanship, literature, logic, grammar, composition, vocabulary building, figurative language, dictionary skills, Greek and Latin roots, and comprehension. The Core Kit includes the Spell to Write and Read Manual, the WISE Guide for Spelling Manual, 70 Basic Phonogram Cards, Spelling Rule Cards (28 Spelling Rules), and a Phonogram CD. The Primary Learning Log for grades K-2 or the Black Learning Log for grades 3 and up must be purchased separately. A Learning Log is needed for both the student and parent.

If Spell to Write and Read is a complete language arts curriculum, why do we offer separate phonics readers?

While *Spell to Write and Read* offers a complete curriculum for learning to read and write, it does not include readers with the Core Kit. Because of the engaging stories provided in the American Language Series, we offer



the first set of American Language Series phonics readers for additional reading practice. This series of six beginning readers is filled with hundreds of short stories containing interesting character training themes, science, history, nature, and more. Written with one-syllable words, each book is designed around one of the six basic phonics word groups in our American Language.

- Book #1: Fun in the Sun focuses on simple short-vowel words.
- Book #2: Scamp and Tramp focuses on simple short-vowel words with consonant clusters.
- Book #3: Soft and White focuses on long-vowel words ending in a silent e.
- Book #4: At the Farm focuses on controlled-vowel words.
- Book #5: *On the Trail* focuses on vowel-digraph words.
- Book #6: *Sounds of the Sea* focuses on diphthong words.

How should I start with Spell to Write and Read?

Spell to Write and Read requires a significant upfront time investment to learn how to use, but we feel that the program is worth that investment because it offers an affordable option that provides a solid spelling and language arts background for upcoming Essentials students. Before implementing the program, parents must read through the preliminary chapters, or steps, of the Spell to Write and Read Manual to gain understanding of the method presented within the book. After the parent becomes familiar with the approach, she will create her own learning log to experience and learn the same process that she will be teaching her student. After these preliminary tasks have been completed, the program saves considerable time and energy. This award-winning approach has proven effective in helping students - and parents - become proficient spellers and readers.

If you have additional questions about these products, please contact scribblers@classicalconversations.com.