Vowel Sounds in moon and foot

Generalization  The vowel sound in moon can be spelled oo, ew, ue, and ui: school, few, glue, fruit. The vowel sound in foot can be spelled oo and u: cookie, cushion.

Word Sort  Sort the list words by the spelling of the vowel sounds in tooth and cook.

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Home Activity  Your child is learning words with the vowel sound in moon (spelled oo, ew, ue, ui) and the vowel sound in foot (spelled oo, u). To practice at home, have your child say each word and then spell it.
The Story of the Statue of Liberty
It took 18 years to design and construct the Statue of Liberty. The statue then was disassembled and shipped to the United States. Here, an enormous base was built for the statue. The statue was reassembled, and Liberty has welcomed newcomers to the harbor ever since.

Activity
Learn More About Early Immigration
Together, look for books or online resources that talk about Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty. Were there other parts of the country where new immigrants arrived?

Comprehension Skill
Fact and Opinion
A statement of fact can be proved true or false. A statement of opinion gives someone’s thoughts or feelings about something. Feeling words, such as favorite and wonderful, are clues that a statement is an opinion.

Activity
Fact Checker Look through a magazine or newspaper together, or watch a news show on television. Help your child distinguish between facts and opinions. Point out that facts can be proven true, while opinions cannot.
Lesson Vocabulary

Words to Know
Knowing the meanings of these words is important to reading *The Story of the Statue of Liberty*. Practice using these words to learn their meanings.

Vocabulary Words
- **crown**: a covering for the head worn by kings and queens
- **liberty**: the freedom to act, speak, or think the way one pleases
- **models**: small-sized copies of something
- **symbol**: something that represents something else
- **tablet**: a thin, flat surface that has writing on it
- **torch**: a long stick with material that burns at one end of it
- **unforgettable**: memorable; permanently impressed on one’s memory
- **unveiled**: revealed from under a large veil or cloth

Conventions

Capital Letters
There are many situations where a word should begin with a **capital letter**. All sentences begin with a capital letter. Proper nouns, personal titles, initials, the pronoun *I*, the first word in quotation marks, and all words in the greeting and first word of the closing of a letter begin with a capital letter.

Activity
**Yes/No** Write the following words and phrases on index cards. Mix up the cards. The first player picks and reads a card. The second player says “Yes” if the word or situation should begin with a capital letter and “No” if the word or situation should not. Then players switch roles.

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Fact and Opinion

- A statement of **fact** can be proved true or false.
- A statement of **opinion** gives someone’s thoughts or feelings about something.
- Words such as **favorite** and **wonderful** are clues that a sentence might express an opinion.

**Directions**  Read the following passage and answer the questions.

I think that the people who came to the United States by sea probably had a very hard journey. Many of them had never traveled by sea before, so they might have been seasick. Families were crammed together in small spaces so they were probably uncomfortable. On any one ship, there would be people from many different countries, so the foods they cooked and the languages they spoke might have seemed strange to the other passengers. I think that finally seeing the Statue of Liberty after all those days at sea would have been a wonderful moment.

1. Is the first sentence a fact or an opinion? How do you know?

   **It is an opinion, because it tells what someone thinks about the journey.**

2. Write two facts that the author includes.

   **Possible answers: Many people had never traveled by sea; There were many people in small spaces; Passengers were from many different countries.**

3. What was the author’s opinion about someone seeing the Statue of Liberty after a trip from Europe?

   **It would be wonderful.**

4. In your opinion, what would be the hardest part about the journey to the United States?

   **Answers should express their opinions about journeying to the United States.**

**Home Activity**  Your child identified facts and opinions in an article. Have him or her read another passage about an important time or place in American history. Then take turns with your child saying a statement of fact or a statement of opinion about what you read. The listener decides whether it is a fact or an opinion, and tells why.

**DVD•364 Comprehension**
Author’s Purpose

- The author's purpose is the reason someone writes a story or article.
- An author's purpose may be to inform, to persuade, to entertain, or to express ideas and feelings.
- Sometimes an author may have more than one purpose for writing.

Directions  Read the following passage. Then answer the questions below.

Did you know that the historic buildings on Ellis Island need your help? In order to preserve Ellis Island for future generations, donations are needed. Please consider making one. There are several reasons why giving money is a good idea. First, these beautiful buildings are starting to look shabby. The wind and the salt air in New York Harbor have caused a lot of rust and corrosion. The cement walkways and statues are crumbling too. Another reason is that forty percent of Americans can trace their family trees to Ellis Island. That means that at least one of their ancestors passed through there as an immigrant. This special place deserves to look its very best for the thousands of people who visit each year.

1. What is the purpose of this article? The purpose is to persuade the reader to give money to restore Ellis Island.

2. Did the author write this article to entertain or to persuade? How do you know? The author wants to persuade readers. He or she gives reasons why the reader should give money to restore Ellis Island.

3. Why are the buildings on Ellis Island starting to look shabby? The wind and the salt air are causing rust and corrosion.

4. Why do you think the author said that forty percent of Americans can trace their history to Ellis Island? Possible answer: To try to persuade more people that they have a reason to give money.

Home Activity Your child answered questions about the author’s purpose for writing an article. Have your child read another article. Discuss with your child why the author wrote it, and how you know.
Name ________________________________

Capital Letters

Directions Complete each sentence with a proper noun for the word in ( ). Use capital letters correctly. Possible answers:

1. One of my favorite holidays is _____________ (holiday)

2. We celebrate this holiday in _____________ (month)

3. This year my birthday is on _____________ (day of the week)

4. The day of the week that I like best is _____________ (day of the week)

5. I like the weather in the month of _____________ (month)

6. I do not like the weather in the month of _____________ (month)

Directions Write two sentences about something you do with family members on a particular holiday. Use capital letters correctly.

Possible answer: On Labor Day my family has a picnic with Aunt Linda and Uncle Jim. After lunch, Uncle Jim starts a soccer game.

Home Activity Your child learned how to use capital letters in writing. With your child, recall an event that included many family members. Have your child write a list of the people, using capital letters correctly.

DVD•366 Capital Letters
Suffixes -y, -ish, -hood, -ment

Directions Read each word and circle the suffix. Write a definition of the word on the line.

1. scary that which scares a person
2. freakish like a freak
3. childish like a child
4. tasty that which tastes good
5. parenthood state of being a parent
6. employment state of being employed
7. neighborhood a place full of neighbors
8. arrangement something that has been arranged

Directions Add -y, -ish, -hood, or -ment to the base word in ( ) to best complete each sentence. Rewrite the sentence with the new word on the line.

9. A person enters (adult) around the age of eighteen.
   adulthood
10. I went to bed early because I felt (fever).
    feverish
11. Joe always felt (sleep) after tennis practice.
    sleepy
12. The leaders made an (agree) to sign the peace treaty.
    agreement
13. They have a (commit) to each other.
    commitment
14. Tara has never told Kate a (false).
    falsehood

Home Activity Your child defined and wrote words with the suffixes -y, -hood, -ish, and -ment. Help your child write a paragraph using some of the words with suffixes on this page.
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**Word Puzzle** Fill in the missing letters to make list words.

1. _cookie_
2. _noodle_
3. _school_
4. _goose_
5. _bookmark_
6. _balloon_

**Word Search** The list words in the box are hidden in the puzzle. Circle and write each word you find.

- few
- chew
- true
- bushel
- cushion
- suit
- glue
- fruit

7. _bushel_
8. _suit_
9. _true_
10. _glue_
11. _fruit_
12. _chew_
13. _few_
14. _cushion_

**Home Activity** Your child has been learning to spell words with the vowel sound in *moon* (spelled *oo*, *ew*, *ue*, *ui*) and the vowel sound in *foot* (spelled *oo*, *u*). Ask your child to identify and spell the four list words he or she has the most difficulty spelling.

**DVD 368 Vowel Sounds in *moon* and *foot***
Fact and Opinion

- A statement of fact can be proved true or false.
- A statement of opinion expresses someone’s thoughts or feelings about something.
- Words such as great, best, and worst can be clues that a sentence is an opinion.

Directions Read the following passage.

The Statue of Liberty is the greatest symbol of freedom in the United States. A woman named Emma Lazarus wrote the poem that is written on the base of the statue. It describes the statue and tells how the United States welcomes all people to its shores. Lazarus was born into a wealthy Jewish family in New York City in 1849. She began writing poetry when she was a teenager. She donated her poem to help raise money to build the base of the statue. My favorite line in the poem reads “Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses.”

Directions Write statements of fact in the left column and statements of opinion in the right column.

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School+Home

Home Activity Your child identified facts and opinions in an article. Together, read about the Statue of Liberty online or at the library. Say a statement of fact or a statement of opinion about the statue, and have your child determine whether it is a fact or an opinion, and tell how they know.
Capital Letters

Directions If a sentence has capitalization mistakes, write correctly the words that should have capital letters. If a sentence has no capitalization mistakes, write C.

1. The Statue of Liberty was repaired in the 1980s. _______________ C

2. In our town, mr. barnes raised money for the repairs. _______________ Mr. Barnes

3. Many Americans helped keep the statue on Liberty Island beautiful. _______________ C

4. People celebrated the restored statue on the fourth of july in 1986. _______________ Fourth of July

5. They also celebrated in october, 100 years after the original dedication. _______________ October

Directions Write the sentences. Use capital letters correctly.

6. On monday, the class read poems about freedom. _______________ On Monday, the class read poems about freedom.

7. A poem by emma lazarus appears on the statue of liberty. _______________ A poem by Emma Lazarus appears on the Statue of Liberty.

8. Our teacher, ms. adams, says it inspires people from around the world. _______________ Our teacher, Ms. Adams, says it inspires people from around the world.

Home Activity Your child reviewed capital letters. While outdoors, have your child write the name of a day of the week with correct capitalization using natural objects, such as sand, twigs, or pebbles.