

Mystery Words Starter (Set I)

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Mystery Words Starter Set includes twelve sets of Mystery Word activity pages and a recording form that were designed to be used with the Seek & Spell Challenge program. The words used in this set are listed on the right. Digital and printable versions of the activities are included; both formats use the same mystery words so they can be used interchangeably. You may want to start with the printable materials and introduce the digital resources when your students understand how the basic program works.

Printable and Digital Resources Included



Set 1

Mystery Words

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skateboard

misleading

brainteaser repainting

delightful

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Seek & Spell Challenge

thunderstorm

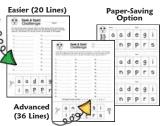
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Seek & Spell Challenge Basic Directions

Students are given a set of letters to manipulate, and they attempt to find as many words as possible us in a those letters. They record each word they find, making sure to spell it correctly. As they work they also try to discover the mystery word that uses ALL of the letters. Detailed rections are provided in the teacher's guide found in the Seek & Spell Starter pack as well as the Seek & Spell Word Work Bundle.

Printable Mystery Word Options

To make Seek & Spell Challenge easy to differentiate, there are three variations of each Mystery Word printable. Two options have letter tiles at the bottom of the page and 20 or 36 lines for recording words at the top. The third option has three sets of mystery word letters and no lines. If you use this option, you can save paper by giving each student a set of letters and having them record the words on paper or in a journal.



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Digital Resource Options for Google Classroom

The digital activities were created with Google Slides which makes them easy to assign in Google Classroom. The digital directions are similar to the printable directions, but instead of moving paper letters, students drag digital letters to form words. After creating each word in the workspace on the right side of the slide, they type it into one of the boxes on the left. If they find the Mystery Word that uses all of the letters, they type it on a line at the bottom of the slide.

There are two versions of the digital Mystery Word activities. Both formats use the same letters, but the easier version uses a larger font and has 24 boxes instead of 44 boxes for recording words. You may want to start your students with the easier format and switch to the more advanced format after they develop confidence with the Seek & Spell Challenge program.





How to Access Seek & Spell Challenge for Google Classroom

If you use Google Classroom, you can assign the digital Seek & Spell individual students as you would any other activity. Before you b te a folder called Seek & Spell Digital Resources in your Google Drive. Then access the Set 1: Mystery Word Master document you prefer lick one of the links below to use with your students.



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ompted, click the blue "Make a copy" link and save the Set 1 Mystery Words Master nt in the Seek & Spell Digital Resources folder you created earlier.



This master document has ALL 12 mystery words, but you only need to assign one at a time to your students. Follow the directions on the next page to create each mystery word assignment.

How to Create and Assign Each Mystery Word Activity

- 1. Choose one of the mystery words from the list on the right.
- 2. Open your Set 1 Mystery Words Master document
- 3. Click File and Make a copy. Give the file a title that includes the set and word number, for example, Set 1, Mystery Word #1.
- 4. Navigate to the slide number that matches the number of the mystery word you selected. The letters on that slide should be the letters of your mystery word arranged in alphabetical order.
- 5. Delete ALL other slides so that the only slide left is the one with the letters of your mystery word.
- 6. Assign the Mystery Word activity students as you normally would in Google Classroom. Be sure to select the "Make a copy for each student" option to give each student full access to his or her own copy of the document.





Teaching Tip: The first time you introduce the Google Slides version of *Seek & Spell Challenge* to your students demonstrate how to click and drag the blue letters into the workspace. Show your students how to rearrange the letters to create words, how to type words with at least three

Printable & Digital Record-keeping Chart

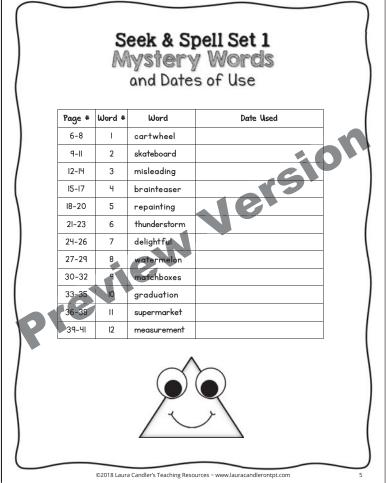
The record-keeping chart on the right will help you keep track of the mystery words you use throughout the year.

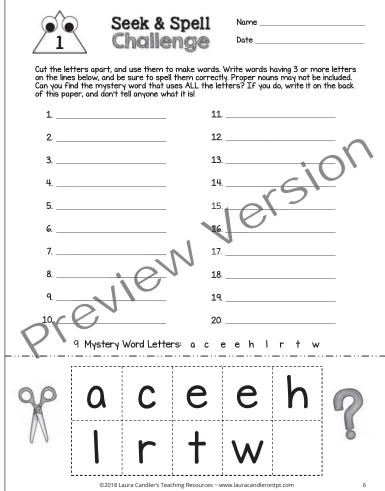
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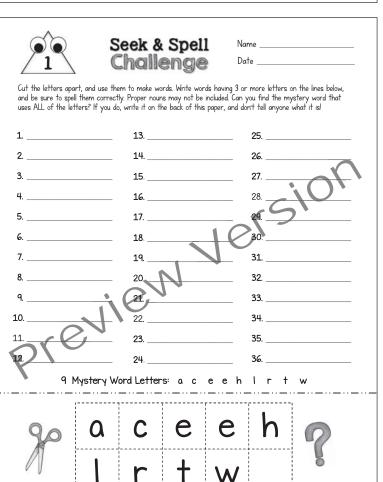
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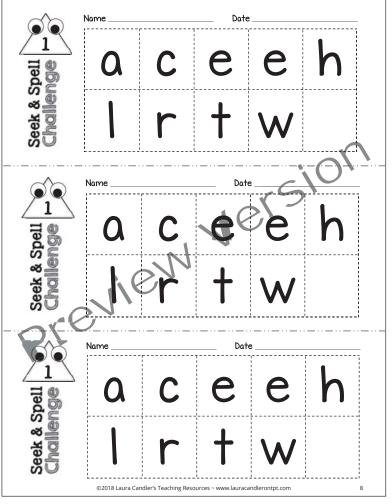
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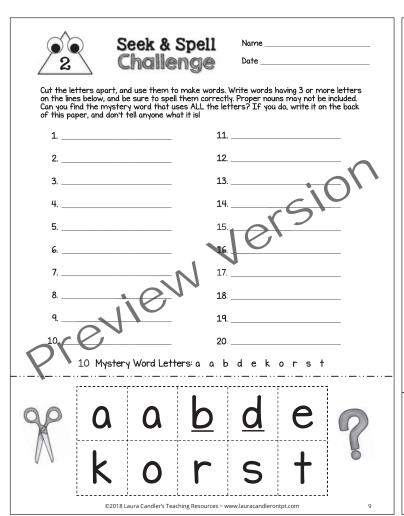


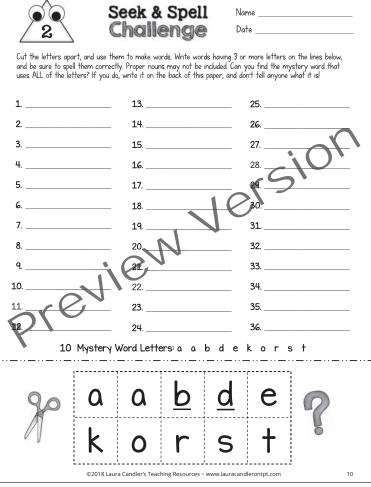


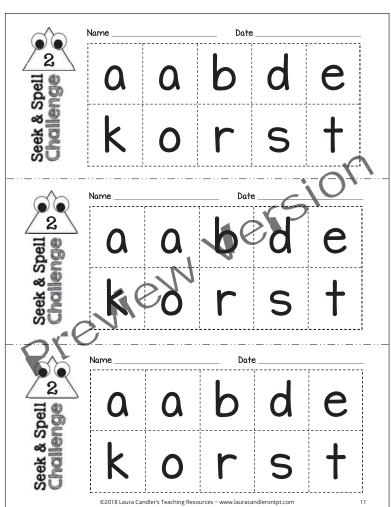






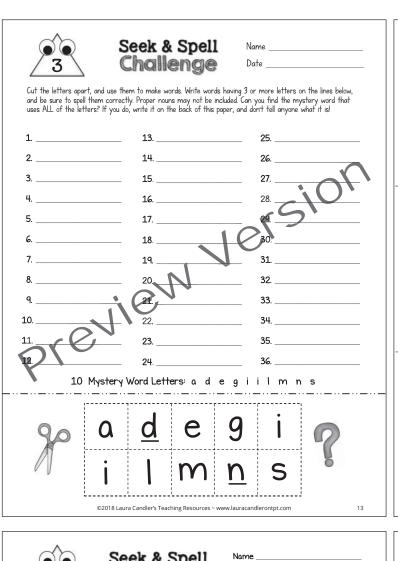


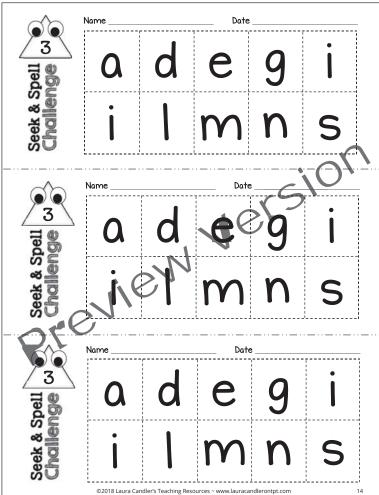


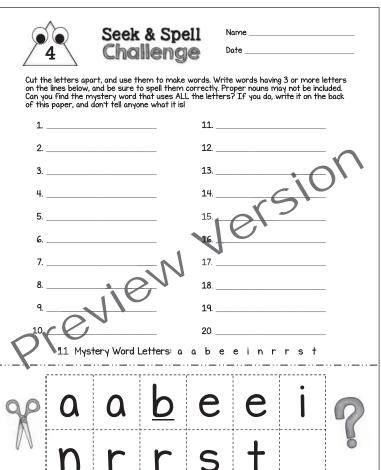


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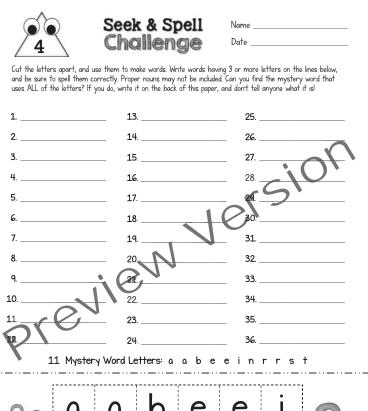
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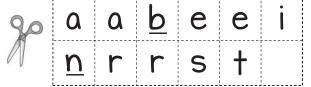




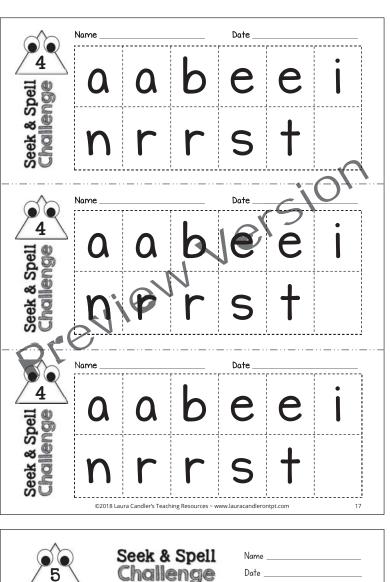


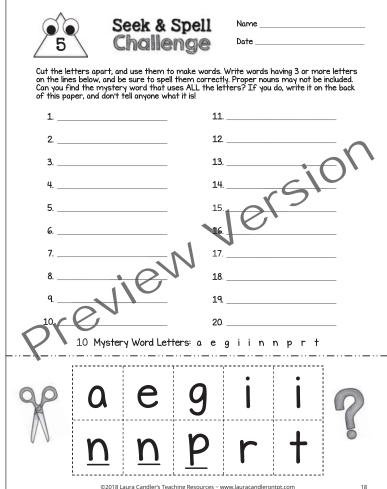
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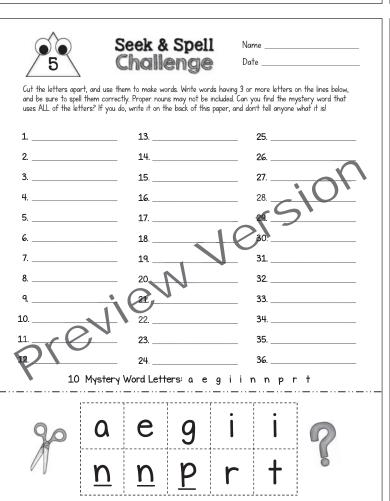


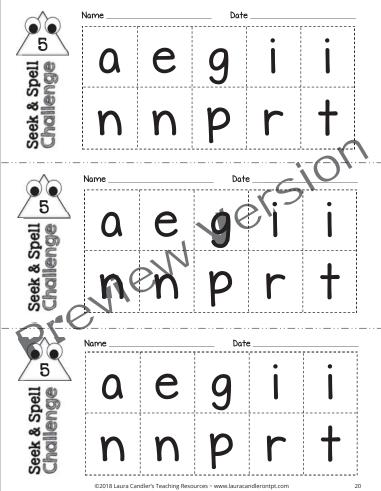


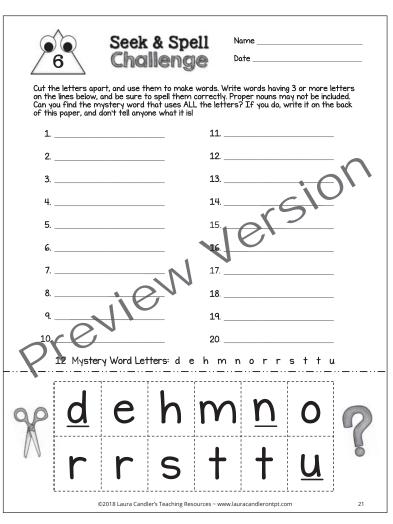
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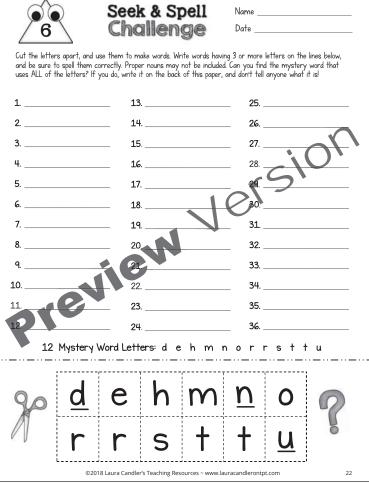


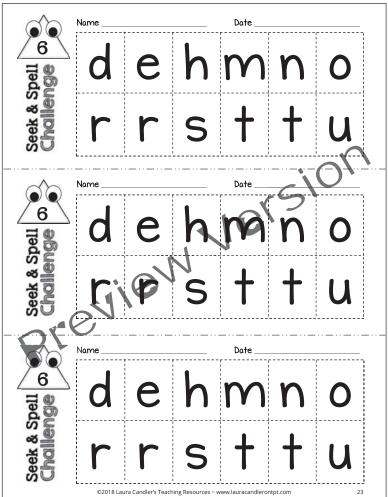


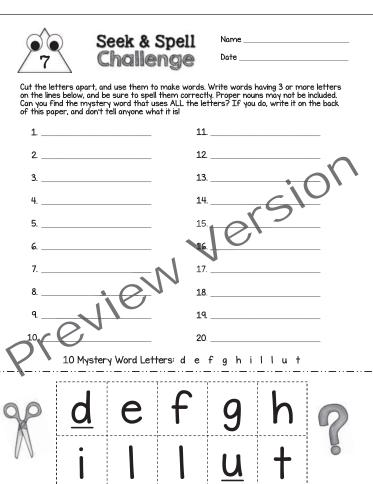




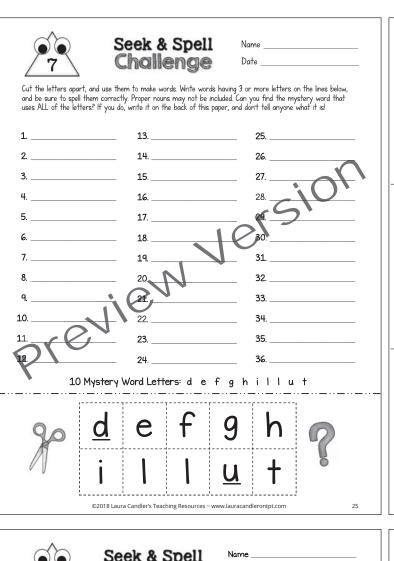


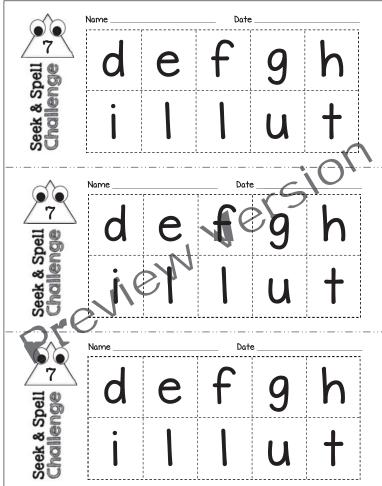


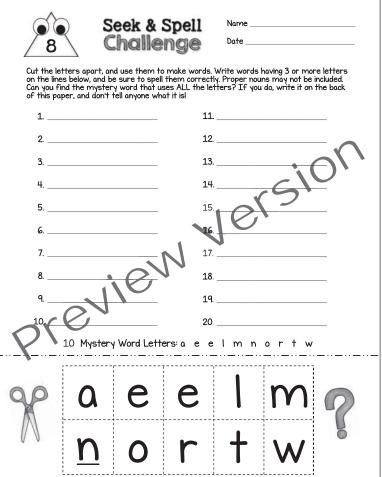




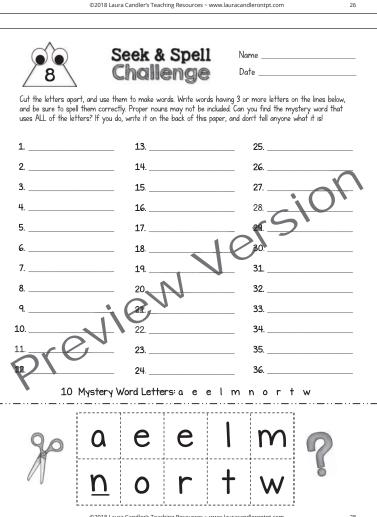
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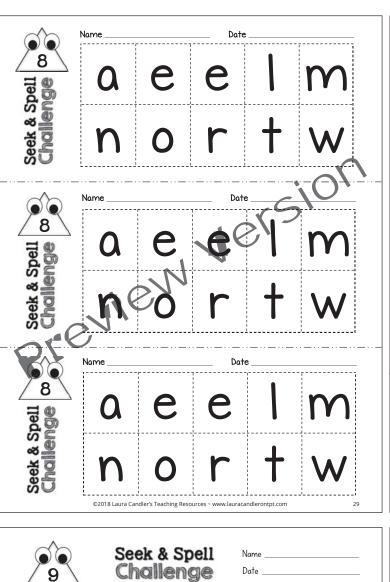


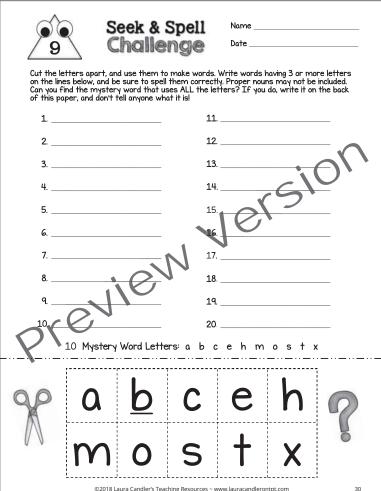


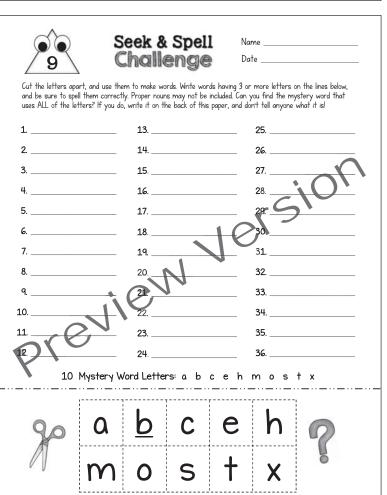


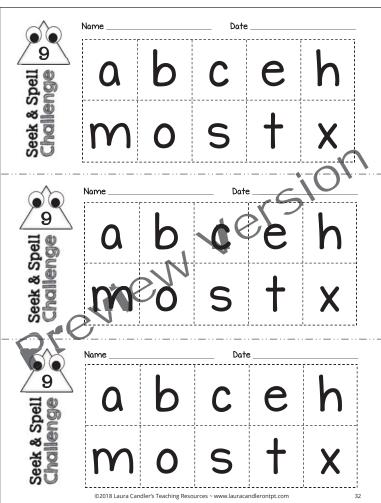
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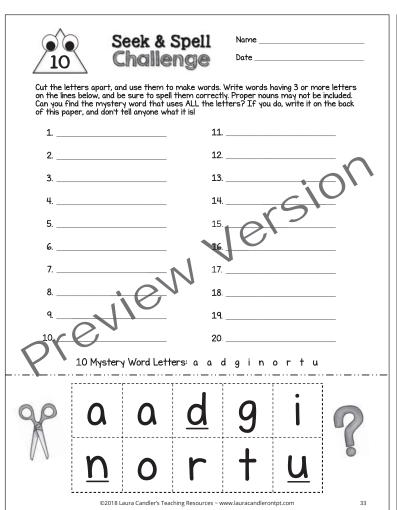


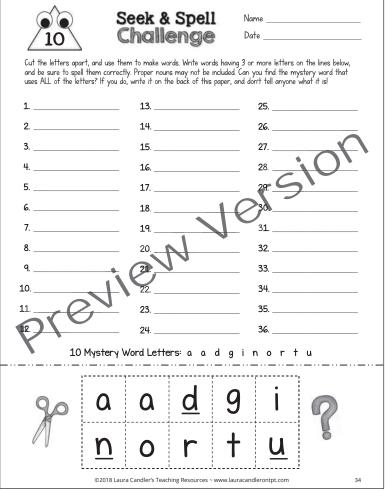


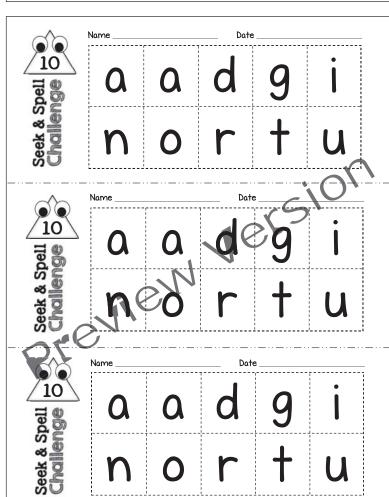






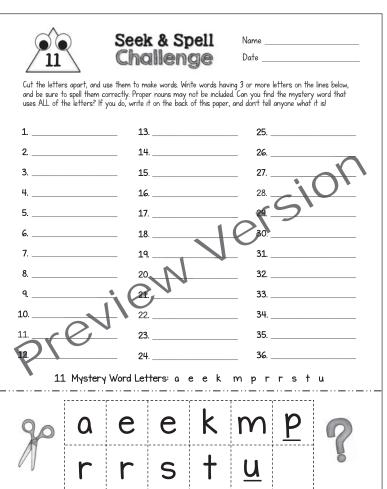


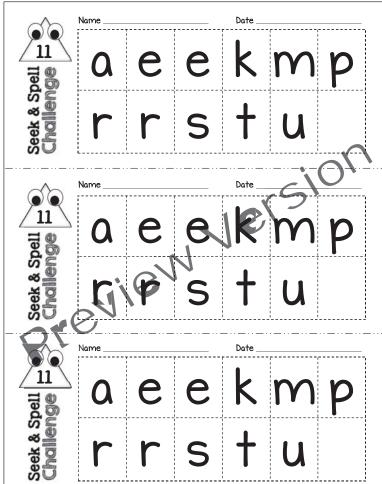


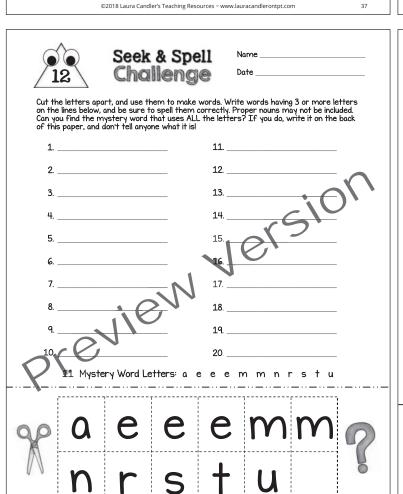


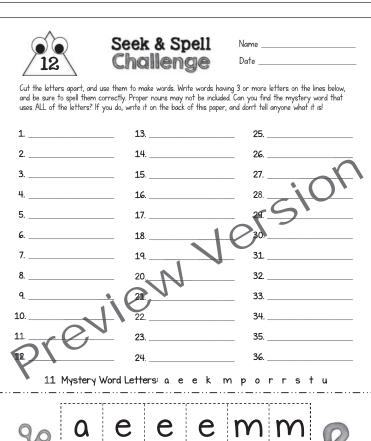
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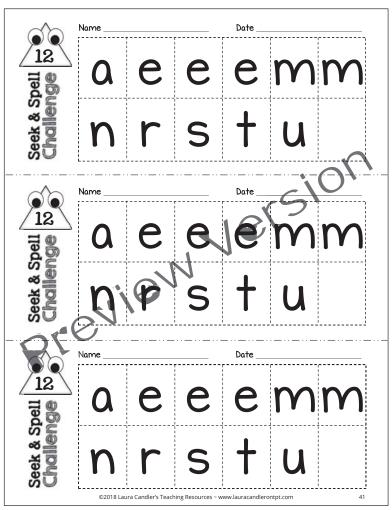








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