

A is for Apple Assignment 19

Reading and Phonics

Complete Lesson 19.

Handwriting

Complete pages 70–72 of the handwriting book.

Dictation

The use of the apostrophe is difficult for students to master, so it will be continued throughout several lessons. We have done the following exercise in class, but it might be good to reinforce it in class. Remind your child that if something belongs to the word that comes before it, the word that comes before it should have an apostrophe and s. Before completing the dictation, ask what belongs to what. Then ask what word should end with an apostrophe/s.



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ORAL EXERCISE 1 ON APOSTROPHES

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| 1. <i>Tim's</i> toy | 6. the <i>boy's</i> paper planes (no apostrophe) |
| 2. <i>Bob's</i> homework | 7. <i>Bill's</i> house |
| 3. the <i>student's</i> eraser | 8. the <i>bird's</i> nest |
| 4. a <i>dog's</i> leash | 9. the <i>cat's</i> litter box (no apostrophe) |
| 5. <i>Sam's</i> homework | 10. the <i>salesman's</i> pen (no apostrophe) |

Spend time this week before giving the dictation doing a thorough review of previous lessons, including the short vowel sounds, the long vowel sounds, and the following letters and letter combinations: *ow*, ending *y* (long *i* sound), *ea*, *ou*, *th*, *ch*, *sh*, *ew*, *ai*, *ee*, *ing*, *aw*, *oi*, *ar*, long and short vowels, *oa*, *oy*, *ck*, *tr*, *ir*, *igh*, *ay*, *er*, and *oo*.

EXERCISE A

1. The boy's dog is black.
2. Bob's dogs like to lick.
3. Rick's dad enjoys it.
4. Dan's toy is red.
5. The boy is back!

Poetry

Memorize stanzas 1 and 2 of Henry Charles Beeching's "Going Down Hill on a Bicycle." Any child who has experienced going down a hill on a bicycle will find this an exciting poem to recite.

Suggested Reading

Oliver Dunrea. *Old Bear and His Cub*. Philomel, 2010. This book has simple text for new readers. Remember that my weekly book suggestions are for the benefit of parents to develop their child's interest in reading, and they are not required for the class.