Rime Magic

Phonics-Powered Prevention and Intervention for All Students

Break-through phonics strategies for reading success!

What is Rime Magic? Rime Magic is a word-recognition resource that’s changing the lives of readers across the country. The rime is the key part of a word that makes it easy to see the structure (for example, the /ip/ in slippery or the /at/ in splattered). In engaging, five-minute lessons, students add onsets (i.e., beginnings) and endings to the rimes to combine those parts into words and analyze those words—like magic! They learn to see the natural segmentation patterns of the written word—and “crack the code”—using their ability to hear onsets and rimes to make letter-sound correspondences. With practice, students pick up the pace and the rime jumps out at them as they read. Confidence soars and word recognition becomes more and more automatic, leading to enhanced comprehension and fluency.

What’s Inside? Each Kit Contains:

- **Teacher’s Guide**
- **Magic Rime Cards** (two sets – total of 80 cards)
- **Power Pak Cards** (one set – 450 cards representing 30 key rimes with 15 rime-embedded words each for intervention work)
- **Short Vowel and Endings Cards**
- **Poem Cards**
- **Three trade books**: What Bears Like (Cherrington), Frog and Toad Are Friends (Lobel), and Fables (Lobel)
- **High-interest articles for older readers**
- **Access to how-to videos that show each Rime Magic step in action**
- **Downloadable student pages and teaching tools**

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**Key Features**

- Each lesson takes no longer than 5-7 minutes – and 10-15 minutes if you add an optional Reinforcement Activity.
- The same easy steps that boost word recognition with older readers, also prevent decoding and word-solving challenges in the primary grades.
- Includes access to online how-to videos that show each Rime Magic step in action.
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Magic Rime Cards: The Rest of the Rimes
A set of 45 of the most most common rimes. Students spell words containing the rest of the rimes (Step 8).

Embedded Rime Cards: The Rest of the Rimes
A set of 75 cards with words containing the “rest of the rimes.” Students apply this new set of rimes with all they’ve learned to read increasingly challenging words (Step 8).

Power Pak
An intervention pack of 450 Embedded Rime Cards (15 cards for each of 30 key rimes). Students who need extra support get multiple opportunities to practice applying the first 30 rimes in the context of words (Step 8).

Poem Cards
Two lively short texts that help students apply their Rime Magic skills in context.

Trade Books
Trade book models at three different levels to practice TG/TH/HT/HT reading. More texts for older struggling readers are available for download online.

Online Resource Bank
Go to scholastic.com/RMresources to find:
• How-to videos that show each Rime Magic step in action
• High-interest articles for older struggling readers
• Downloadable student pages and teaching tools

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A Close-Up on the Kit
Teacher’s Guide
Get the background on why Rime Magic works and then learn how to do it!

Kit Overview & Quick Reference Card
A quick reference for Steps 5 and 6—the steps you teach the most.

Short Vowel Card
A visual reference for short vowels. Students lay the foundation for accurate word recognition by saying, hearing, and recognizing short vowels (Step 1).

Endings Card
A targeted list of the most common word endings. As students learn to recognize and master these endings, their word-building skills increase swiftly (Step 3).

Card Holder
A handy display for your Short Vowel and Endings Cards (Steps 1 and 3).

Magic Rime Cards
A set of 33 of the most common rimes. Students first practice spelling one-syllable words using these 35 rimes (Step 2). Once they’ve learned the key endings, they move on to spelling longer words with the same cards (Step 4).

Embedded Rime Cards
A set of 80 cards with words containing the magic rimes. Students identify the rimes and endings within words to put the words together and read them accurately (Step 5).

Embedded Rime Cards: Two Endings
A set of 40 additional embedded rime cards with more challenging endings. Students do the same work to read words with multiple endings (Step 5).

Rime Magic at-a-Glance

Introduction:

Step 1: Review Short-Vowel Sounds (page 134)
Review rimes with students using the short vowel cards as Rime Magic Lingua with short vowel rimes.

Step 2: Spell One-Syllable Words With Rime Magic (page 134)
Practice the rimes by saying them three times each, spelling a one-syllable word only here and there, using your fingers as placeholders for the silent rimes that should be in to read words accurately (Step 5).

Step 3: Introduce Common Inflectional Endings (page 144)
Briefly practice hearing the endings in one-syllable words.

Steps that should be done every day:

Step 4: Spell Longer Words With Rime Magic (page 142)
Continue by progressing to using the rimes three times each in a sentence with students spelling words from the Embedded Rime Bar on the back of the Magic Rime Cards. Use your fingers to represent the rime in front of the rime, the word context (as if you’re following the rime), the endings. Share the letter with a rime that begins with all the letters in use.

Step 5: Identify Embedded Rimes in Longer Words (page 147)
Students practice identifying the rime in the Embedded Rime Bar as you add them up. They say the rime, and hear the word. Ask students to compare the Embedded Rime Bar to the one they made to recognize the rime (Step 6).

Step 6: Spell and Read Words Containing the Rest of the Rimes (page 151)
Spelling with words and ending as using the rest of the rimes is a powerful foundation for word changes that occur when endings are added. As students learn to recognize and identify these rimes in words with “the rest of the rimes,” embedded in them...

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