Hickey Method – Lesson Order

| Lesson  # | On  White Card | Clue Words (back of white cards) | | Sound | Irregular  Words  (Yellow cards) |  | Lesson  # | On  White Card | | Clue Words (back of white card) | | Sound | | Irregular  Words  (Yellow cards) | |
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| 1 | i | igloo, in  I, ice cream | | ( ĭ )  (ī) | I |  | 13 | -ic | | picnic, music | | ( ĭ k) | |  | |
| t | ten, telephone | | (t) |  |  | Syllable division v/cv (and rarer, vc/v) | | | | | | | |
| p | pen, popcorn, pizza | | (p) |  |  | 13a | i-e | | Sprite | | (ī) | |  | |
| n | nine. no | | (n) |  |  | 13b | ike | | Nike, bike | | (īk) | |  | |
| s | snake, six, sister  dogs, nose | | (s)  (z) | isn’t  it’s |  | 13c | ire | | fire, tired | | (īr) | |  | |
| Closed syllables;  ‘s = contraction of 2 words, possessive  Adding s to pluralize simple nouns; s to verbs for he/she/it present simple | | | | |  | 14 | l | | lemon, lion | | (l) | | talk  island  listen | |
| 2 | a | apple, add  ambulance,  alien, ABC | (ă)  (ā) | |  |  | 15 | -ll | | ball, tall  small, bell | | (l) | | pal, nil, all | |
|  | Capital letters; a/an; n't | | | | |  | 16a | -y | | cry, sky | | (ī) | |  | |
| 3 | d | dog, dad | (d) | | said |  |  | -y: 1-syllable words (ī); 2+ syllables (ē) | | | | | | | |
| 4 | h  th | hat, hamburger  think, three,  thanks  this | (h)  (th) blow  (th) buzz | | this  that |  | 16b | -y | | baby, pretty  happy  family | | (ē) | | any many  pretty | |
| 5 | e  sh | egg, elephant  ear, eleven, evening  she, sheep | (ĕ)  (ē)  (sh) | | the  she  these |  | Suffix y - add only | | | | | | | |
| 17 | f | four, falafel, flower | | (f) | | | | half  friend  fall |
| Open syllables (me, he, be) | | | | |  | 18 | -ff | | cliff, off, stiff | | (f) | | if | |
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| 6 | c | cat | (k) | | can’t |  |
| 7 | k | king, kick | (k) | |  |  | 19 | -ss | | dress, class | | (s) | | yes | |
| Use of k before e, i | | | | |  | 20 | Suffixes: -es, -less, -ly:  classes, boxes, homeless, happily | | | | | | | |
| 8 | b | ball, banana Beitar, blue | | (b) |  |  | 21 | a-e | | cake | | (ā) | | skate | |
| 9 | r | red, radio | | (r) | are, her  there  their |  | 22a | -ar | star, car | | | | (âr) | | |
|  | Bossy R rule (r-controlled vowels): R changes the sound of vowels that precede it | | | | | | | |
| 10 | m | man, mango mother, | | (m) | them Mr. Mrs. |  | 22b | -are | | prepare, share | | (ār) | |  | |
| 11 | -ck | duck, black, sick | | (k) |  |  | Long vowel choices | | | | | |  | |
| 12 | y- | yellow  yes, yoyo | | (y) | they  eye |  | 23 | o | | orange, on  open | | (ŏ)  (ō) | | come, do  some, of, from,off | |
| 12a | Syllable division vc/cv: rabbit, basket | | | | |  | 23a | g | | game, green | | (g) | |  | |

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| 24 | o-e | rope, trombone | | (ō) | |  |  | 33 | | z | | zebra | | | | | (z) | | | buzz | | | |
| 24a | -ore | snore | | (or) | |  |  | -zz at the end of word - Buzz | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25 | -ng | ring | | (ng) | |  |  |  | | Suffix es after sibilants and after o | | | | | | | | | | | | buzzes dresses boxes  goes, does | |
| 25b | -ing | sitting | | (-ĭng) | |  |  | 34 | | qu | | | question  quickly  quiet | | | | | (kw) | | | | choir | |
| Review vc/cv  Vowel ending + –ing  Review adding suffixes JUST ADD  Adding suffixes DOUBLE  Suffix –ing to words ending ic  Note: i/y interchangeable | | | | | |  |
| 35 | | ee | | | sleep  tree | | (ē) | | | | | | | these  here  scene | |
| 26 | u | umbrella  USA, university  push | | (ŭ)  (ū)  (o˘o) | | your four  plus  buy  us  you |  | 36 | oo | | | | book  foot, look | (o˘o) | | | | | | | school  door  poor  floor | | |
| 36b | oo | | | | zoo, food, spoon | (oˉo) | | | | | | |
| Suffix –ful (only one l) beautiful | | | | | |  | 37 | th | | (review) with | | | | | | | | (th) | | |  | |
| 27 | j | juice, jam | (j) | |  | |  | 38 | sh | | (review) fish | | | | | | | | (sh) | | |  | |
| 28 | u-e | cube  June, prune | (ū)  (oˉo) | | use  sure  sugar | |  | 39 | er | | person  mother | | | | | | | | (êr)  (êr) | | | answer  (ŭ)  other  another  brother  mother | |
| 29 | w  sw | window  swim | (w) | | two walk woman  women | |  | 40a  40b  40c | -ed | | rested, started  played, watered  kicked | | | | | | | | (ĭd)  (d)  (t) | | | talked | |
| The suffix –ed: for past simple regular verbs. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 30 | v | video, van | (v) | | have give live move | |  | 41 | ay | | | play, day | | | | | (ā) | | | | | says | |
| Use of fill, till, well, all, prefixes and suffixes  until, welcome | | | | | |  | 42 | -ce | | | | ice, nice | | | | | (s) | | | |  | |
| “c” says (s) before e, i, y | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 31 | -x | box, fox | | (ks) | |  |  | 43 | c | | | city, cereal | | | | | | | (s) | | |  | |
| 32 | -nk | tank, pink, monkey | | (nk) | |  |  | 44 | -ge | | | cage, page, age | | | | | | | (j) | | | get angel  (ĭj)  damage | |
| Adding prefixes without changes in spelling: re, mis, dis, un, be, ex, pre, sub, trans,  reboot, mistake, disabled, unusual | | | | | |  | “g” says (j) before e, i, y: gypsy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 45 | gi | | | | giraffe  ginger | | | (j) | | | | | | |  |

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| 46 | -dge | bridge | (j) | | |  |  | 61 | ea | | | bread, read | | | | (ĕ) | heart | | |
| 47 | or | morning, store | | (ôr) | |  |  | 62 | ea | | | | break | | | (ā) |  | | |
| 48 | ea | eat, steal, ear | | | (ē) | beauty  beautiful |  | 63 | ur | | | | turn | | | (êr) |  | | |
| 48+ | 2-3 at a time; card for each:  Regular final syllables  ble, dle, cle, kle, gle, ple, tle, stle, zle, fle  able, little, purple, uncle | | | | | people  double  trouble |  | 64 | au | | | because | | | | (aw) | laugh  laughter | | |
|  | 65 | aw | | | saw, draw | | (aw) | | |  | | |
| 49 | ar | (review)  park, shark, dark | | (âr) | | quarter  warm |  | 66 | | Adding suffixes CHANGE | | | | | | | | | |
| 67 | | Adding -es to words ending y:  if no vowel before y, change y to i, add es: babies, says | | | | | | | | | |
| 50 | ai | rain, tail  paint, wait | | (ā) | |  |  |
| Review suffixes: adding, doubling | | | | | |  | 68 | | tion | fraction | | | (sh’n) | | |  | | |
| 51 | Adding suffixes to multisyllable words | | | | | |  | 69 | | ie | field, thief  tie | | | (ē)  (ī) | | | ?(family cards) | | |
| 52 | oa | boat, coat | | (ō) | |  |  | 70 | | Adding suffixes to words ending –ie: lie, lies, lied, lying | | | | | | | | | |
| 53 | ou  ow | house, mouse  know  cow | | (ow)  (ō)  (ow) | | (o˘o)  could  would  should |  | 71 | | Wild old words: Long vowel in middle of word, followed by two consonants:  -ild, -old, -olt, -ind, ost:  child, old, cold, most, find, colt | | | | | | | | | |
| The use of ou and ow  Two sounds (o) and (ow) | | | | | |  | 72  72a | | ei | ceiling  beige | | | (ē)  (ā) | | | foreign | | |
| Adding suffixes DROP e | | | | | |
| Plurals words ending f/-ves | | | | | |
| 54 | ch | cherry | | (ch) | | chalk  stomach |  | 73 | | ph | photo, phone | | | (f) | | |  | | |
| 55 | -tch | watch  kitchen | | (ch) | | much, such  rich  which |  | 74 | | oi | coin | | | | (oy) | | | |  |
| 75 | | oy | toy | | | | (oy) | | | | royal |
| 56 | ue | blue, glue | | (ū)  (oˉo) | | menu |  | 76 | | ear | earth  hear  bear, great | | | (êr)  (ē)  (ā) | | | heart | | |
| Adding vowel suffixes to ue | | | | | |  | 77 | | o | glove | | | | (ŭ) | | | |  |
| 57 | igh | light, right | | (ī) | |  |  | 78 | | wh | white, why | | | | (hw) | | | |  |
| 58 | ir | girl, bird | | (êr) | |  |  | 79 | | oe | toe | | | (ō) | | | canoe  shoe | | |
| 59 | a | father  want, wash, watch | | (ŏ) | | wax  wag  quack |  | Plural of words ending oe and o | | | | | | | | | |
| 80 | | a | above | | | | (ŭ) | | |  | |
| 60 | ew | new  few, drew | | (ū)  (oˉo)  (ew) | |  |  |  | Unaccented open syllables with a and i: around, about | | | | | | | | | | |
| 81 | Schwa vowels, unaccented syllables | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 82  82a | ch | | chemist, school  champagne | | | | (k)  (sh) |  | |
| 83 | Silent letters kn, gn, pn, wr, mb, gu,  gh, mn, rh, sc, ps:  know, write, guess, climb, thought | | | | | | | | |
| 84 | sion | | pension  television | | | (sh’n)  (zh’n) | |  | |
| 85 | eigh | | eight | | | (ā) | | height | |
| 86 | a | | wall | | | (aw) | |  | |
| Suffixes al, el | | | | | | | | |
| 87 | our | | colour  our, flour | | | (êr)  (our) | | four  pour  hour  your | |
| 88 | | ey | donkey, monkey | | (ē) | | | |  |
| 89 | | ey | they | | (ā) | | | |  |
| 90 | cian | | magician | | | (sh’n) | | Martian  Asian | |
| 91 | or | | doctor | | | (êr) | |  | |
| 92 | ar | | collar | | | (êr) | |  | |
| 93  93a | ou | | couple  youth | | | (ŭ)  (oˉo) | | thought  through | |
| 94 | ui | | fruit  build | | | (oˉo)  (ĭ) | |  | |
| 95 | Syllable division v/v: being, duet | | | | | | | | |
| ous | | dangerous | (o˘os) | | | |  | |
| 96 | us | | status | (ŭ) | | | |  | |
| 97 | or | | word, color | (êr) | | | |  | |
| Use of ti, si, ci | | | | | | | | |
| 98 | ure | | picture | (er) | | | |  | |
| Review of suffixes | | | | | | | | |
| Prefixes unchanged, changed | | | | | | | | |
| 99 | al | | balance  wall  half  special | (ăl)  (aw)  (a)  (o˘ol) | | | |  | |