

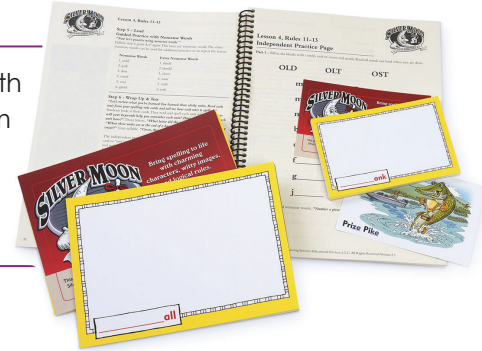


## Silver Moon Spelling Rules®

“Bring spelling to life  
with charming characters,  
witty images, and logical rules.”

Ages 6-Adult

**B**ring effective spelling instruction to your classroom or learning center with *Silver Moon Spelling Rules*®. Silver Moon is a supplemental Orton Gillingham based spelling program that takes the guesswork out of spelling. This program is not grade leveled and can be used in a multitude of settings and with a variety of student ages, needs, and backgrounds.



If you can teach a child to spell, you can teach a child to read. Learning to spell and learning to read require much of the same knowledge. Using Silver Moon students will improve their spelling as they build skills in phonics, phonemic awareness, word structure, and syllable knowledge. Research, on the science of reading, has shown that strong spelling instruction has a positive impact on reading and writing.

English language spelling is not as chaotic and unpredictable as once believed. Most people don't realize that only 4% of American English words are truly irregular and have to be learned through whole word methods such as memorizing.\* For this reason, Silver Moon is not your typical spelling program. Silver Moon teaches a deep understanding of how to spell and replaces the need for traditional spelling instruction and tests. With explicit instruction students learn to spell unrehearsed and unmemorized words by applying their knowledge of spelling rules, phonics, phonemic awareness, word structure and syllable types/division rules.

\*Moats, L. C. (2005). *How spelling supports reading: And why it is more regular and predictable than you think.* American Educator, Winter 2005/06



“ I LOVE Silver Moon Spelling. I have used it with my intervention students in both elementary and middle school to help them understand the spelling patterns of the English language. Unlike other spelling programs, this one has engaging pictures, catchy mnemonics, and structured practice with each spelling pattern. My students loved doing this work. An added bonus was that as their spelling improved, so did their automatic word identification. I highly recommend Silver Moon for private tutors, parents, K-3 classroom teachers, and elementary and middle school interventionists. ”

– Dorothy Morrison, Ph.D. • Retired Director, Ohio University Reading Clinic • WI Middle School Interventionist

## Program Features

- **Explicit** - Concepts are directly and clearly taught. Light Scripting is provided.
- **Systematic & Structured** - Learning objectives are presented logically and orderly using a consistent lesson format.
- **Cumulative** - New skills build upon previous skills.
- **Simultaneously Multi-sensory Strategies** - Visual/Auditory/Kinesthetic/Tactile Pathways are used in Finger Spelling & Syllable Tapping
- **Model-Lead-Test Approach** - This is also known as a “Gradual release” or “I do, You do, We do” approach.
- **Mnemonics** - Witty rule names support memory with embedded mnemonics.
- **Student Engagement** - Creative images containing hidden picture clues capture student attention as they collect their own set of cards.

# Curricular Components & Instructional Content

## Silver Moon Spelling Rules, Kit 1

Components:

- Instructor's Manual
- Instructor's Rule Cards (Large Format)
- Student's Rule Cards (Small Collectible Format)

Content:

20 American English Spelling Rules and 1 Bonus Reading Rule

Part 1: Spelling Rules for One-Syllable Words with Closed Syllables

Part 2: Spelling Rules for Two-Syllable Words with Open and Closed Syllables

Part 3: Spelling Rules for One, Two, and Three-Syllable Words with Schwa



## Silver Moon Spelling Rules, Kit 2

Components:

- Instructor's Manual
- Instructor's Rule Cards (Large Format)
- Student's Rule Cards (Small Collectible Format)

Content:

Fifteen sticky units of sound, 7 reasons for silent E and 8 silent E sticky units

Part 1: Fifteen Spelling Patterns for Sticky Unit Syllables (ang, ing, ong, ung, etc.)

Part 2: Seven Reasons for Silent E Syllables

Part 3: Eight Silent E Sticky Units of Sound (ture, ite, age, ace, etc.)



## Silver Moon Spelling Rules, Kit 3

Components:

- Instructor's Manual
- Instructor's Rule Cards (Large Format)
- Student's Rule Cards (Small Collectible Format)

Content:

5 Vowel Team & 5 Bossy R Generalizations with Optional Mini-lessons & Fillable Spelling Choices Chart

Part 1: Five Vowel Team Spelling Rules

Part 2: Five Bossy R Spelling rules

Part 3: Bossy R & Silent E



## Supplementary Games

Rule Match Games 1-3  
(Complements Kit 1)

Silent E Rule Match Game  
(Complements Kit 2)

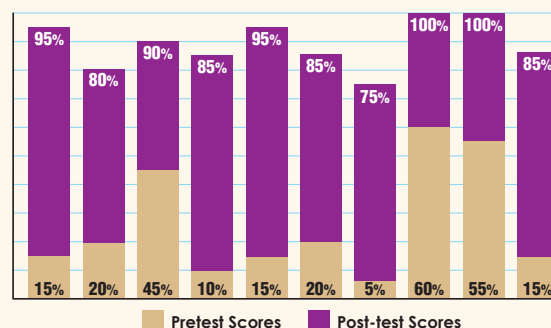
Unit Syllables Game  
(Complements Kit 2)



## Support Resources

Resources that support teaching and student learning are provided through video demonstrations and complimentary printable downloads at [www.SilverMoonSpellingRules.com](http://www.SilverMoonSpellingRules.com). Extra activities can be found in our spelling rules blog. Online and in-person professional development courses are also available.

## Sample Group: % Growth Pre/Post Testing



\*Scores measured before & after 1:1 instruction using Silver Moon Spelling Rules. Student ages were 6-13. All were identified as struggling readers/spellers and some were diagnosed with a reading and/or writing disability (dyslexia/dysgraphia). Average growth was an increase in score of 63%.

## About READ Learning Educational Services, LLC

READ Learning is a specialized learning center that provides reading interventions for students who struggle with reading and spelling, diagnostic services, and professional development for teachers. READ was founded by Kelly Steinke. Kelly, a university teacher and president of the WI Branch International Dyslexia Association, is the creator and author of *Silver Moon Spelling Rules*.