**OBJECTIVE** 

**Component:** Decoding

**Instructional Activity:** Words with Long *Oo* Spelled *o e* 

Materials Needed: Long Oo sound-spelling card, sticky notes



- Click here for video example
- ✓ Individual
- ✓ Small Group
- ✓ Large Group

State the objective(s).

The sound of *long Oo*, /ōōō/, can be spelled several ways. You're going to learn a common pattern for /ōōō/ and practice reading words containing the pattern.

## Review prerequisite skills and teach related vocabulary.

Refer to the sound-spelling cards as you review the vowels. There are two kinds of letters: consonants and vowels. The vowels are Aa, Ee, Ii, Oo, and Uu. Sometimes the letter Yy can also make a vowel sound.

Each vowel can make two sounds: a short vowel sound and a long vowel sound. You've learned the short vowel sounds. You're going to say each one after me. Remember to hold each sound like I do. Point to each vowel and say its short sound:

Point to Aa: /ăăă/ Students: /ăăă/ Point to Ee: /ĕĕĕ/ Students: /ĕĕĕ/ Point to Ii: /iii/ Students: /iii/ Point to Oo: /ŏŏŏ/ Students: /ŏŏŏ/ Point to Uu: /ŭŭŭ/ Students: /ŭŭŭ/

Note: Sound-spelling cards for long vowel sounds generally do not have letters at the top of each card. There is usually a picture representing a word that contains the long vowel sound, plus a list of the most frequently used spelling patterns for the sound.



**Demonstrate.** Teach the new skill, model with clear explanations, verbalize your thinking process.

Display or hold the sound-spelling card for long Oo. Using sticky notes, cover over all of the spellings at the bottom of the card except  $o_e$ . Point to the picture at the top of the card.

- The sound is /ōōō/. The key word is \_\_\_\_\_.
- The sound /ooo/ can be held a long time. Listen: /ooo/. Hold the sound for 2-3 seconds.
- Point to the spelling patterns at the bottom of the card. One way to spell the sound /ōōō/ is o e. (Read: o blank e.)
- o\_e usually comes at the end of a word. Sometimes you'll see it at the end of a syllable inside a big word. The pattern o\_e means there is a single o followed by a consonant, then followed by the letter e.

Write the word *not* on the board. **I'll sound out this word. Listen: /nnn ŏŏŏ t/. The** *o* **makes its short sound, /ŏŏŏ/, because there's a single vowel followed by a consonant sound in the syllable.** If you're teaching syllable types, explain that the word *not* is a closed syllable, so the vowel has to be short.

**Sound it out with me.** Point under each letter as students and teacher sound out the word: /nnn ŏŏŏ t/.

I'm going to change the short vowel sound, / ŏŏŏ /, to the long vowel sound, /ōōō/, by adding an e to the word not. Write an e after the t. At the end of the word, there is now a single vowel (point to o) followed by a consonant (point to t) with an e (point to e) after it. The e is silent, which means it doesn't make a sound, but it reaches back to the vowel before it and makes it say its long sound: /ōōō/. Draw a curved arrow from the e back to the o.



I'll sound out the word: /nnn/ touch under the n. / $\bar{o}\bar{o}\bar{o}$ / touch under the o. /t/ touch under the t.

The word is note.



## Provide guided practice.

**Let's review.** Show students the sound-spelling card for *long Oo*.

The key word is \_\_\_\_\_. What's the key word? Students: \_\_\_\_\_

The sound is /ōōō/. Sound? Students respond with letter sound: /ōōō/.

One spelling pattern we can use for the sound  $\overline{ooo}$  is  $o_e$ . What's one spelling pattern for the sound  $\overline{ooo}$ ? Students:  $o_e$ 

We're going to read some words together. Some of the words are closed syllables, which means there's a single vowel followed by a single consonant at the end. The vowel will make its short sound. Some of the words are silent e syllables, which means there's a single vowel followed by a single consonant, with a final silent e at the end. The vowel will make its long sound.

If you recognize the word, please don't blurt it out. We're going to figure it out together.

Write the word *hop* on the board.

What does the word end with—a single consonant or an e? Students and teacher: a single consonant

What sound will the vowel make? Students and teacher: /ŏŏŏ/

**Why will the vowel make its short sound?** Scaffold to elicit responses such as: It's a closed syllable; When a single vowel is followed by a single consonant in a word, the vowel makes its short sound; etc.

Sound out and read the word. Students and teacher: /h/ /ŏŏŏ/ /p/; hop

Add an e to the word hop to make the word hope.

Now, what does the word end with—a single consonant or an e? Students and teacher: e

What sound will the vowel that comes before the e make? Students and teacher: /ōōō/; its long sound

**Why will the vowel make its long sound?** Scaffold to elicit responses such as: *It's a silent e syllable; When a single vowel is followed by a single consonant and a final silent e in a word, the vowel makes its long sound; etc.* 

**Sound out and read the word.** Students and teacher: /h/ /ōōō/ /p/; hope

Follow the routine with the word pairs below.

mop	mope
dot	dote
rob	robe



## Provide independent practice.

Your turn. I'll ask one student at a time to respond.

Write the word con on the board.

(Student name), what does the word end with—a single consonant or an e? Student: a single consonant

What sound will the vowel make? Student: /ŏŏŏ/

Why will the vowel make its short sound? Scaffold to elicit responses such as: It's a closed syllable; When a single vowel is followed by a single consonant in a word, the vowel makes its short sound; etc.

Sound out and read the word. Student: /k/ / ŏŏŏ / /n/; con

Add an e to the word con to make the word cone.

Now, what does the word end with—a single consonant or an e? Student: e

What sound will the vowel that comes before the e make? Student: / ōōō /; its long sound

**Why will the vowel make its long sound?** Scaffold to elicit responses such as: *It's a silent e syllable; When a single vowel is followed by a single consonant and a final silent e in a word, the vowel makes its long sound; etc.* 

Continue the routine, calling on other students to respond one at a time. Use the word pairs below.

rod	rode
сор	cope
glob	globe
cod	code
tot	tote



If students need support with:	Then try this:	
Switching from the short	Try having students either draw an arrow between the final $e$ and the $o$ to signal the vowel change OR	
vowel to the long vowel sound	have students touch the word with two fingers when they are reading a word that has a VCe pattern.	



**Assess students (formally or informally).** Determine the level of mastery for the stated objective.

Observe individual students as they respond during guided and independent practice.

Scaffold or correct all errors. Provide specific feedback for accurate responses.

**Additional support.** Provide scaffolded opportunities for students who need more support.

Make a T-Chart with closed-syllable words containing o and silent-e syllables. Add words to both sides for additional reference and practice. See example below.

lob	lobe
wok	woke
slop	slope
rot	rote

If a student is decoding multi-syllabic words in text, consider using words such as explode, pothole, tadpole, trombone, and hopeless.

**Enrichment/Extension.** Provide enrichment and extension activities for students who need less support.

For students who show mastery of decoding words with *long Oo* patterns, consider moving to the instructional protocol for encoding words with long vowel patterns.