

## Silent e - Hang with Hickey

This game focuses on a variety of patterns that create words with a silent e at the end, whether the vowel is long or short. Ultimately, "Hang with Hickey" should add some new vocabulary to more advanced students' base while improving their overall spelling and pronunciation skills.

Set up a simple hang-man game (Hang with Hickey) that will encourage the class to participate and review the concepts of the "silent e."

Select challenging words for the game in order to get maximal participation from the students. Choose a word from each of the following lessons. Once the word has been correctly or incorrectly attempted, review with the class the concept for that lesson and other basic common words that fall into that category (for example, in Lesson 44 play the game with the word "garage," then discuss other words such as "cage" or "gauge").

Specifically we suggest using words from:

- Lesson 13: -i\_e, or i-magic-e (where the e is silent and the i is long), e.g. kite; from Band 2: invite, quite, write, line, mine (but in two-syllable words often short vowel e.g. opposite, engine)
- Lesson 21: -a\_e, or a-magic-e (where the e is silent and the a is long), e.g. assimilate, fascinate, gravitate, assassinate; from Band 2, gate, hate, plate, state, unfortunate
- Lesson 30: -ve (where all words that end with the sound (v) are spelled with -ve at the end, whether the preceding vowel is short or long): e.g. cognitive, superlative, assertive, informative, drive, pave, stove; from Band 2: give, have, live, negative, positive, arrive
- Lesson 42: -ce (where the vowel before the c may be long or short, and if there is a consonant+ce at the end of the word, the vowel is short): e.g. embrace, enhance, interface, accomplice; from Band 2: advice, chance, dance, difference, force, ice, ice cream, notice, office, once, piece, practice, science, since, space, twice
- Lesson 44, -ge (where, like -ce, the vowel before the g may be short or long) e.g. garage, gauge, encourage, espionage, carriage, page; from Band 2: huge, language, large, manage, message, strange, village, change, exchange
- Lesson 46, -dge (where the vowel before the d is short ) e.g. bridge, from Band 2: knowledge, judge, fridge,