

To the Teacher:

Affix, Root, and Word Cards provides hands-on materials for *Houghton Mifflin Spelling and Vocabulary* © 2000. The cards for prefixes, suffixes, roots, and Basic Words can be cut out and used for activities to meet the individual needs of your students.

Blank word cards have been provided for students to write additional words such as Challenge and Spelling Word Link words. Students can hunt through their reading for words that exemplify the week's spelling strategy and then create their own word cards. The blank word cards can also be used to build classroom word walls. Word walls are effective for prominently featuring frequently misspelled words or important words for writing.

The Basic Word cards provided here can serve as materials for some of the learning center activities featured in the *Teacher's Book* as well as for the spelling games in the *Teacher's Resource Book*.

See the additional suggested activities in this booklet for using the word cards in conjunction with each unit.

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