

Support for English Learners

Unit 33, page 210: Words with ough and augh

Some students may have difficulty differentiating between words spelled *ough* or *augh*.

Listen

Explain that words containing the spelling patterns *augh* and *ough* can sound very different from one another. Model these words from the Basic Words list: *rough*, *through*, *cough*, *caught*, *laugh*. Emphasize the sound of the *augh* or *ough* spelling in each word.

Speak and Read

Repeat the Basic Words *rough*, *through*, *cough*, *caught*, and *laugh*, emphasizing the sounds of the *ough* or *augh* spelling in each word. Encourage students to repeat after you. Elongate the sounds of the *ough* or *augh* spelling in each word separately and as part of the word, then say the word. Say: *Let's practice the Basic Word rough together: /ʊf/, /ʊüüfff/, rüüüfff, rough*. Repeat with *through*, *cough*, *caught*, and *laugh*.

Write *rough*, *through*, and *cough* on the board. Circle the *ough* in each word. Read each word aloud, then say: *The ough in each of these words spells a different sound*. Repeat with the sound of *augh* in *caught* and *laugh*.

Spell

Beginning/Preproduction Write *bought*, *caught*, *cough*, *laugh*, and *rough* on the board and circle the *ough* or *augh* spelling in each word. Read aloud each Basic Word. Have students copy the words into their word-study notebooks. Ask: *How do we pronounce the (ough) spelling in (rough)?*

Early Production/Speech Emergent Create word cards for the Basic Words *bought*, *caught*, *taught*, *tough*, *cough*, *laugh*, *thought*, and *rough*. Have partners underline the *ough* or *augh* spelling in each word. Have volunteers take turns reading their word cards aloud, emphasizing the sound of the *ough* or *augh* spelling in each word.

Intermediate/Advanced Read aloud the Basic Words *bought*, *caught*, *taught*, *tough*, *cough*, *laugh*, *thought*, and *rough*. Ask volunteers to write the words on the board. Have volunteers take turns reading the words aloud, pointing out the *ough* or *augh* spelling and elongating the vowel sound in each word.

taught

bought

cough

laugh