

Spelling Newsletter

for Students and Their Families

Moving Ahead

Units 7–11 of your child's *Houghton Mifflin Spelling and Vocabulary* have focused on words with the long and short *u* sounds, words with the vowel sounds heard in *dawn* and *proud*, and words with vowel plus *r* sounds, such as *cheer*, *scarce*, *course*, and *board*.

Word Lists

Your child has been studying the words below, as well as other words with similar sounds and spelling patterns.

UNIT 7	UNIT 8	UNIT 9	UNIT 10	UNIT 11
juice	tool	tower	repair	sore
crumb	put	south	spark	learn
tune	stool	faucet	cheer	record
argue	prove	proud	weird	board
truth	group	couple	scarce	course
brush	groom	amount	rear	return
rescue	booth	drown	spare	pure
dew	hook	cloudier	alarm	worse
trunk	bush	dawn	hairy	thirteen
young	brook	false	harsh	early

Family Activity

Hold a family spelling bee. Choose one family member to announce each of the Spelling Words above. The rest of the family takes turns spelling the words. Have paper and pencils handy in case spellers want to write down the word before spelling it aloud. Set a time limit of one minute for each speller. Make a special treat or award for the winner.