How to make: Title the bulletin board “Spelling Basketball.” Use pipe cleaners or wire hangers and netting or string to construct a small net for each of the eight sounds and patterns featured in Units 13–17. Add labels to the nets, as shown. Write the Unit 18 Basic Words on basketballs made from brown construction paper. Place the balls in a box, and attach the box to the bulletin board.

How to use: Have students sort the basketballs into the appropriate baskets. To extend the activity, students can further sort the words inside each basket. For example, words in the /oi/ boy net could be sorted into two groups, words where /oi/ is spelled oy and words where /oi/ is spelled oi.