Dear Family:

It is time for students to learn two new *glued* sounds.

*tu* - *capture* - /chər/
*tu* - *spatula* - /chû/

I will teach them to read and spell words containing *ture* and *tu* (as in *furniture* and *actual*).

Later in the unit, I will be introducing more letter combinations *ti* and *ci*:

*ti* - *patient* - /sh/
*ci* - *glacier* - /sh/

I will familiarize students with four advanced suffix endings: -*ous*, -*al*, -*ent*, -*an*. These actually can be *part* of a word. I will show them that when *ci* and *ti* attach to these suffixes, these letter combinations say /sh/. Examples include:

*special*
*musician*
*patient*
*martial*

Sincerely,

*The 3rd Grade Teachers*
Skill Words:
The skill words below may not be the tested words. These words reflect the skills/patterns taught in this unit. Our focus is on learning word patterns, not memorizing specific words.

Sound Alike Words:
Your child should be able to read and spell sound alike words from memory in order to match spelling with meaning.

Trick Words:
Your child should be able to read and spell trick words from memory. Trick words do not follow usual spelling patterns, they are "tricky" and need to be memorized.

Week 1:
Skill Words:
nature
culture
actual
picture
important
structure
punctuate
adventure
signature
factual

Sound Alike Words:
stationary/stationery eight/ate

Trick Words:
favorite

Sentence:
The temperature outside is below freezing.

Week 2:
Skill Words:
cautious
patient
special
function
gracious
social
magician
potential
partial
martial

Sound Alike Words:
straight/strait

Trick Words:
strange

Sentence:
Your birthday is a special day.
Cursive Connectives Practice Review Worksheet

Practice These Connectives! This worksheet provides practice with connecting cursive letters that have been taught in previous Units. These clusters are for practice and may not be real words. Practice each set of connectives several times and be sure to leave a space between each set as shown in the example on line 1.

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Backward Slant, most commonly used by left-handed students.
Do the “Guess Which Ending” Activity

Have your child select tu or ture from the top of each box to form real words.

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Do the “TURE or TU” Activity

Have your child write the words in the correct columns below. Read the words.

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ture
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Guess Which One

Read the sentence(s). Write the correct Sound Alike Word from the box on the lines below.

stationary

stationery

1. Jim hopes his new position in the company will allow him to travel less and be more ______________.  

2. The letter you sent was on such bright ______________! 

3. Can you pick up some ______________ when you go to the store to buy envelopes? 

4. We will have to choose a ______________ location for the table; it is too big to move again. 

5. The ______________ Sandra wanted for her party invitations was sold out.

Sentence Creation

Create one sentence for each Sound Alike Word. The sentence should use the word correctly and demonstrate the meaning of the word.

1. __________________________________________________________________________

2. __________________________________________________________________________
Guess Which One

Read the sentence(s). Write the correct Sound Alike Word from the box on the lines below.

- eight
- ate

1. On my adventure to Portugal, I ________________ lots of new food.

2. There are only ________________ weeks left of school.

3. He ________________ the cake mixture before it could go into the oven.

4. My dog just had ________________ puppies, and they eat so much!

5. In the game show, the contestants have ________________ minutes to make a decision.

Sentence Creation

Create one sentence for each Sound Alike Word. The sentence should use the word correctly and demonstrate the meaning of the word.

1. ___________________________________________________________________

2. ___________________________________________________________________
**Do the “Complete the Word” Activity**

Have your child choose the letters from the box above the lines to complete the real words on the lines below. Use each set of letters only once and read the words when you are finished.

- tious  tial
- tious  tient
- tial

- eier  cious
- cial  cian
- cian

- cau _tious_
- nutri_______
- pa_______
- presiden_______
- mar_______

- gla _cier_
- electri_______
- so_______
- musi_______
- spa_______

**Do the “Marking CI and TI” Activity**

Have your child write the complete words on the lines below and mark the ci or ti with the sound /sh/. Circle the suffixes/word endings.

/sh/
- **cautious**

- ___________
- ___________
- ___________
- ___________
- ___________
- ___________
- ___________
- ___________
- ___________
- ___________
**Guess Which One**

Read the sentence(s). Write the correct Sound Alike Word from the box on the lines below.

| straight | strait | side | sighed |

1. Will the route be ___________ or will it have many twists and turns?
2. I would rather sit on the long ________________ of the table.
3. Paula ___________ sadly after finding out that her plane was canceled.
4. The ________________ of Gibraltar separates the countries of Spain and Morocco.
5. Which ________________ are you on in the debate?

**Sentence Creation**

Create one sentence for each Sound Alike Word. The sentence should use the word correctly and demonstrate the meaning of the word.

1. ________________________________________
2. ________________________________________
3. ________________________________________
4. ________________________________________
Sound Alikes Review Units 11-14

Word Box

- it's  cell  sent  knight  eight  there  peace  knew  knows
- its  sell  cent  night  ate  their  piece  new  nose
- scent
- straight  scene  stationery  sighed
- strait  seen  stationary  side
Across
2. He ________ so much delicious pasta he felt like he could never eat again.
3. ________ so cold outside today!
7. Look at that huge mansion over ________!
9. In science class, I learned that the ________ is a basic unit in all living things.
11. Jill and Paula will come because ________ my best friends.
12. I can't meet you for dinner tonight until ________ o'clock. Is that too late?
13. Will you ________ me your book for five dollars?
14. I can smell the ________ from that bakery from across the street.
15. Phil broke his ________ when he fell off the bike.
18. Many people like the smell of a ________ car.
20. Mom always sends me letters on such colorful ________.
21. The story was about a ________ in shining armor.
22. The family dog takes ________ bone everywhere.
23. Which ________ of the road do they drive on in Bermuda?
24. Did you see the moon last ________?

Down
1. He ________ the letter by mail yesterday.
4. My favorite ________ in the play was the one that began with an invasion.
5. I would like to look at ________ car before I buy it.
6. One ________ will not buy you very much these days.
8. The presidential speech asked for ________ and justice in the world.
10. I thought that the deer in the yard was fake because it was so ________.
13. I have not ________ Randy for two days! Is he sick?
14. The ________ was too narrow for large boats to pass.
16. Did you try a ________ of that incredible cake?
17. I ________ all the facts for the social studies test.
19. The students ________ when they saw the teacher take out the quiz.
20. Without a ruler, I cannot make a ________ line.
21. Mr. Wall ________ many drills to help us practice for the competition.