

**Exercise 1 • Listening for Sounds in Words**

- ▶ Listen as your teacher says each word in the first column.
- ▶ Put an X in the column to show which vowel sound you hear.

	<i>/ ŭ /</i>	<i>/ ۆ /</i>
1. fun		
2. come		
3. rug		
4. full		
5. put		
6. bush		
7. month		
8. swung		
9. ton		
10. push		

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## Exercise 2 • Sort It: / ũ / for o

▶ Listen to your teacher read the words in the **Word Bank** below.

### Word Bank

done	none	front	son	some	one	ton	love
month	won	come	shove	dove	glove	once	from

- ▶ Group words that have the same phonogram (**done, none**) in each column.
- ▶ Put words that don't have the same phonogram as others (**front**) in the **Other** column.
- ▶ After sorting, label the columns according to their phonogram. (Follow example of first column.)

-one	-ome	-ove	-on	Other

1. Do **none** and **won** rhyme? Why or why not?

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2. Find other rhyming words in the **Word Bank**.

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**Exercise 3 • Find It: Possessives**

▶ Find and underline the possessive word.

▶ Draw an arrow to the noun it refers to.

1. Max's best quiz
2. Lin-Yan's best sketches
3. Pam's bran muffins
4. Chan's socks
5. the notch on Beth's belt
6. the cut on Malik's chin
7. Frank's fish in the tank
8. my boss's stuck truck
9. Chad Smith's wishes for a van
10. many of Hank's saplings by the pond

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### Exercise 4 • Choose It and Use It

- ▶ Read the story below.
- ▶ Choose the best word for each blank from the **Word Bank**.
- ▶ Write the word in the blank.

**Note:** Some words can apply in more than one blank, but each word fits best into only one of the blanks.

#### Word Bank

pulling	bugs	ditches	buzzing	Brad's
puffing	scratches	branches	bull's	bulls

\_\_\_\_\_ bulls are huffing and \_\_\_\_\_.  
They are \_\_\_\_\_ logs out of the \_\_\_\_\_.  
The \_\_\_\_\_ get bad \_\_\_\_\_ from some of  
the \_\_\_\_\_. Bugs are \_\_\_\_\_ around the  
bulls. The \_\_\_\_\_ back is full of bugs. Brad yells at the  
\_\_\_\_\_ to go away.

**Exercise 5 • Rewrite It: Present Progressive to Past Progressive**

- ▶ Read each sentence and circle the present progressive verb phrase.
- ▶ Rewrite each sentence, changing present progressive form to past progressive form.
- ▶ The first sentence is done as an example.

1. The vet's helper (is brushing) the dogs.

The vet's helper was brushing the dogs.

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2. Sam is passing math.

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3. Mom and Alex are cutting these plums for the salad.

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4. The truck is dumping trash in the landfill.

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5. We are trusting her to welcome the incoming class.

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### Exercise 6 • Blueprint for Reading: Main Ideas and Transition Words

- ▶ Highlight the main ideas in blue.
- ▶ Circle the transition words: **one type**, **another type**, **the next type**, and **the final type**.

#### “How Bugs Bug Us”

You’ve heard this saying: “I’ve got a bug.” You know what it means: “I’m sick.” You can’t see them, but bugs live all over your body. In fact, you’re just a mini-zoo for bugs!

#### **Bugs in Your Bed?**

Dust mites are one type of bug on your body. Do you wash your pillow? No? If you use the same pillow every night for 10 years, half its weight is from dust mites. You can’t see these tiny creatures. Still they are there, feeding on dead skin and sweat. Their droppings cause allergies. They make lots of us sick. Do your eyes sometimes get red and itchy? Does it happen when you shake out the spread on your bed? Does it happen when you sweep the floor? Then you’re a victim of dust mites!

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**Exercise 6** *(continued)* • **Blueprint for Reading: Main Ideas and Transition Words****Stomach Alert!**

Another type of bug that lives on your body is bacteria. Bacteria cover your body, inside and outside. No, you can't see them. They're too small. Most bacteria are not too bad, and some are even good. Bacteria help you digest food. Some bad bacteria are called germs. If you don't keep germs in check, they can spread. Germs can cause infection and make you sick.

**In Your Hair?**

The next type of bug that can live on your body is lice. Hair lice just love nice, clean hair. There, they can hunker down and guzzle blood from the scalp. They lay eggs on hair. Lice spread quickly! They spread from head to head. They spread when we work together closely, in school classrooms and at work. If we get lice, special shampoo can get rid of them.

**Eyelash Horrors!**

Eyelash mites are the final type of bug that exists on our body. You have mites in your eyelashes. Don't worry; they're harmless. These tiny bugs cling to eyelashes with eight tiny legs. They live on sebum, a natural oil in skin and hair. The truth is, lots of bugs just love our skin and hair!