

Spelling patterns



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journey	wood
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four	power
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Answers
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These activities give practice spelling words that rhyme but are spelled differently. Check that the rhyming couplets are grammatically correct. Look at your child's handwriting and, if appropriate, point out any areas that need further practice.