

Lesson Seventeen (Consonant Lesson Five): Sue and Zoo

/s/

/z/

Comparison Pairs

sue

zoo

seal

zeal

sink

zinc

lace

lays

ice

eyes

Practice /s/

Easy Words for Sue /s/

sue

seal

sink

lace

ice

Medium Difficulty Words for Sue /s/

relax

fast

skates

slips

straps

Difficult Words for /s/

distracts

trickster

mispronounce

exits

abstinence

Short Sentences for Sue /s/

Stanley likes to collect strange facts about insects and their habitats.

When wasps sting a person, it's often their way of asking us to stay away from their nests.

Suicide is not considered an acceptable method for exiting this earthly existence.

Most nights, a person with obsessive-compulsive disorder sweeps and mops the floor...twice!

My sister insists she was kissed by a spirit's lips.

Playful Practice for Sue /s/: Lipping Biscuits

The purpose of a sign is to signify something else beside itself.

Infants who grasp for something often meet success,

Or parents guess what baby wants and swiftly supply it.

Reward reinforces habit,

And baby learns the use of a simple sign: the index finger indicates.

Momma says 'biscuit' when biscuits appear;

Baby lisps 'bicksits' when baby wants biscuits.

At first, Momma accepts it, but later gets more strict:

And baby will be disappointed if 'biscuits' is mispronounced.

Practice /z/

Easy Words for Zoo /z/

zoo

zeal

zinc

lays

eyes

Medium Difficulty Words for Zoo /z/

loser

poisons

lizards

amazes

crabs

Difficult Words for Zoo /z/

cosmetic

positions

disasters

exhales

resounds

Short Sentences for Zoo /z/

When ponds freeze over and snow breezes blow, we wheeze and sneeze and fall to our knees.

Farmer Jones needs a thousand seeds to better breed the ugly fuzzy weeds he sells.

Spring is the season where roses bloom and bees buzz because they're pleased with the nectars of flowers.

Seals flap their flippers in rounds of applause when Zach plays jazz in the zoo.

The cause of the nausea Susan feels may be the poisons her husband mixes in her meals.

Playful Practice for Zoo /z/: Franz Mesmer

Though many despise his claims as lies and his theories as absurd

(the list of things includes a series of curious cures),

his fame is easily observed by those who duly recognise

Franz Mesmer's name has become a verb:

'to mesmerise,' which means much the same as 'hypnotise,'

as in lost and dazed, confused within a maze we can't escape.

But however great you may suppose his powers,

I doubt Franz could stun whole clans of hippopotamuses!

Practice Mixing Sue and Zoo: Short Sentences

Is it possible to resolve this crisis without the use of poison gasses?

Science is exploring what causes the worst cases of ugly faces.

For the purposes of metamorphosis, a worm enters its chrysalis and emerges transformed.

It's easy to get arrested and sent to prison for no reason

One raised voice roused us to save us from the floods.

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Playful Practice Mixing Sue and Zoo: Rabbit Noses

To better sniff the breeze, rabbits wriggle their noses.

The things eyes can see matter less than what a nose by smelling knows.

Rabbits catch the scent of a fox long before it appears on paws.

And what grows in the garden beyond this fence

Is at present, you see, quite invisible as a ghost,

Though what's for lunch certainly is what matters most.