



Guidelines for Decodable Readers

Decodable Readers are readers that contain primarily words that your children have learned or are capable of decoding because they have learned the single letter and multi-letter phonograms contained in the words.

Samples are provided for your use in creating your own customized and individualized personal library of readers. You will build on the phonograms you are teaching and have taught. In addition, you can use your children's names and personal experiences.

Illustrating their own books gives children a sense of empowerment as well as providing beginning steps in comprehension.

Individual Wee Wordy Books may progress from single-word readers to phrases to readers with short sentences.

Wee Wordy Books are created on just one sheet of paper. Directions for folding the page are provided herein, as well as sample books. A template is also provided so you can create your own books. Generate your text with your computer program or by hand.

Illustrated books and "chapter" books may be created on half sheets or full sheets of paper. Again, text may be generated on your computer or by hand.

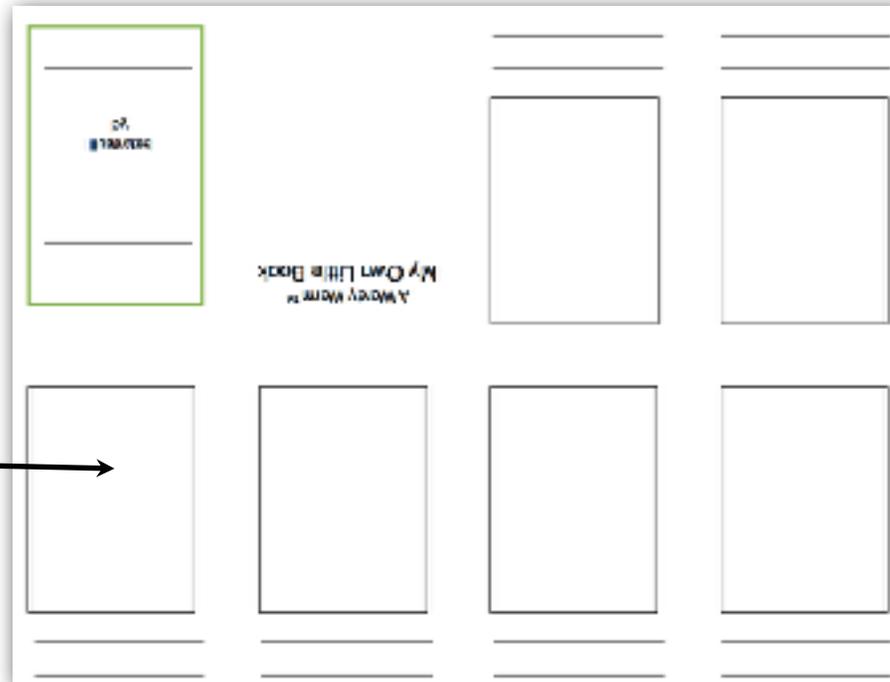
Remember, as always, to work with the focused phonogram first (create success). Then add phonograms previously taught to extend your stories (build on success).

In this manner, you will create a customized, individualized personal library of high interest **MY BOOKS** for your children.

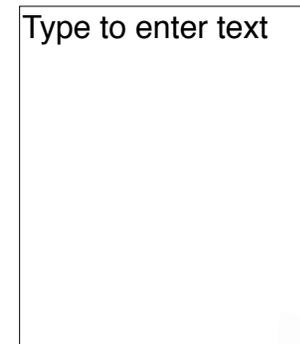
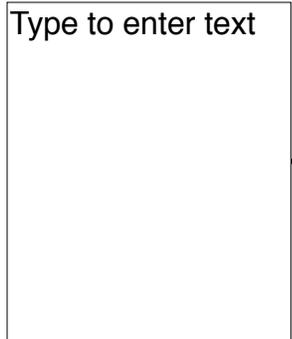


Instructions for cutting and folding "Wee Wordy Books" are provided on the following pages.

To add text, insert a text box over the template and customize your personal books.



Rotate text box upside down on top-half of the template.



Instructions to fold books and template.



1. Fold in half lengthwise and crease.



2. Open out.



3. Fold in half in portrait and open out again.



4. In portrait style, fold one edge to center of page.



5. Fold opposite edge to center of page.



6. Open page again and fold in half again, portrait style.



7. Starting at folded edge, cut to crease. (See dotted line of template.)



8. Fold in half lengthwise.



9. Push edges together to open out center.



10. Crease pages together for finish book.



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