

# What is the Spelling Rule?

## How to play:

- 1. Cut up the spelling rules and read them out loud.
- 2. Write ALL the words on individual index cards. On the back of the index card write the rule.
- 3. Look at the word and decide what rule the word goes under.
- 4. Once you have placed all the words see how many words you have correct!

#### The Magic "e" Rule

When the "e" is the final vowel in a word, the vowel before it is usually long.

#### Connecting Vowels

When two vowels are together in a word or syllable, the first vowel is usually long and the second vowel is usually silent.

#### Soft "c"

When "c" is followed by "e," "i,", or "y" the letter "c" makes the "s" sound.

# Soft "g"

When "g" is followed by "e," "i," or "y" the letter "g" often makes the "j" sound.

## Open Vowels

When a,e,i,o, or u is the last and the only vowel in a word or syllable it is usually long.

#### <u>"ph"</u>

Is a consonant diagraph and the "ph" letter combination makes the same sound as the letter "f."

## The Magic "e" Rule

hop-hope pet-Pete

mad-made tub-tube

kit-kite dim-dime

not-note

## **Connecting Vowels**

rain eat pail

boat meat

pie soap

Soft "c"

cent face

city ceiling

fancy fence

race

Soft "g"

gentle germ gel

giant ginger magic

gypsy

# Open Vowels

go he duty

me be

baby me

no we

so tiny

<u>"ph"</u>

phone dolphin

graph alphabet

orphan

photo

trophy