

HOW TO USE THIS PACK

Student Word Bank Think Pack is an ideal resource for students who have started writing independently and are ready for conventional spelling. It contains an eWorksheet for each letter of the alphabet, pages with theme words and helpful writing starters, all aimed at supporting writing in the classroom. Each eWorksheet concludes with a think task aimed at stimulating students' thinking.

THE eWORKSHEETS

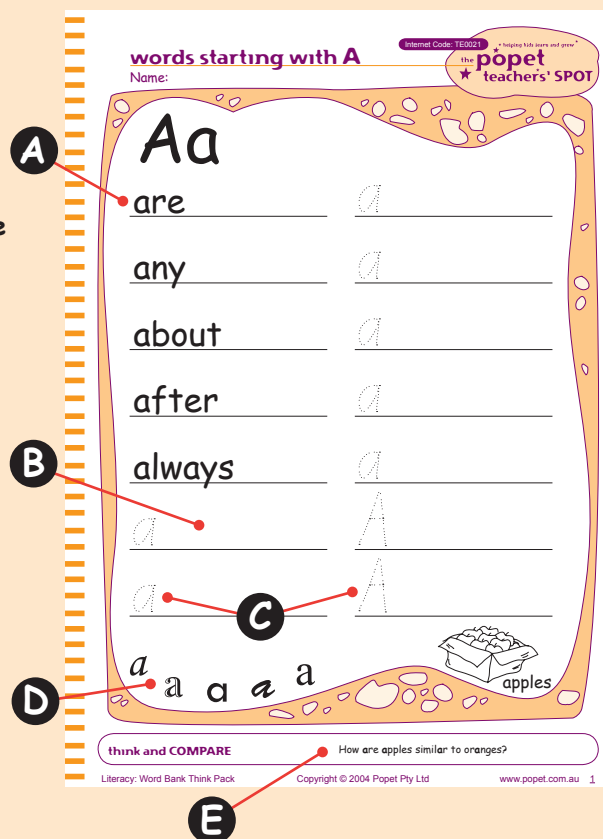
A A list of words is provided for each letter of the alphabet. These common words are frequently used in children's writing and can not be "sounded out". As the young writer repeatedly refers to these words, their correct spelling is reinforced.

B Blank spaces invite the student's own additions. Words that are relevant to the student, or commonly misspelt by the student, can be added alphabetically. As the young writer adds to each list, the Word Bank becomes a personal and customised writing tool.

C The initial letter of each word is outlined for tracing. With every addition into the Word Bank, the student can practise and improve his or her handwriting.

D Each letter of the alphabet is presented in a variety of fonts. This helps the student build a visual memory of each letter.

E The think task encourages a higher level of thinking and challenges the student to think creatively, while simultaneously providing an idea for writing.



TEACHER TIPS

Print a **Student Word Bank Think Pack** for each student in the class.

Use the student's writing to identify words frequently spelt incorrectly and add these to his or her Word Bank.

Add class spelling lists and words from class themes to the Word Banks.

Encourage the students to use their Word Banks as a tool for all independent writing tasks.

Encourage the students to use their Word Banks to proof read and edit each other's writing.

Use the Think Tasks to engage the class in a stimulating writing activity while the teacher guides, edits and assesses individual student's writing.

PRINTING TIPS



- It is not necessary to print the cover, introduction and teacher's guide. These pages can be read and revisited on your computer screen. To save paper and printing costs, print only the eWorksheets; pages 1-33.
- The eWorksheets are designed to be printed in either colour or black (grayscale).
- If the eWorksheets do not print correctly, refer to printing help and tips in the Adobe® Reader® software.

words starting with A

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think and COMPARE

How are apples similar to oranges?

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football

soccer

volleyball

athletics

basketball

cricket

netball

gymnastics

karate

tennis

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think and ANALYSE

A famous sports person can no longer play their sport.
List possible reasons for this.