

## HOW TO USE THIS PACK

**Word Bank Think Pack** is an ideal resource for children who have started writing independently and are ready for conventional spelling. It contains an eWorksheet for each letter of the alphabet, aimed at supporting the child's writing. Each eWorksheet also includes a think task aimed at stimulating the child's 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 child's own additions. Words that are relevant to the child, or commonly misspelt by the child, 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 child can practise and improve his or her handwriting.

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

**E** The think task encourages a higher level of thinking and challenges the child to think creatively. Respond to the think task with the child. The think tasks can be proposed while out shopping, during dinner, while driving or in the bath. Include older siblings and other adults in the discussion, to promote broader thinking.

### PARENT TIPS

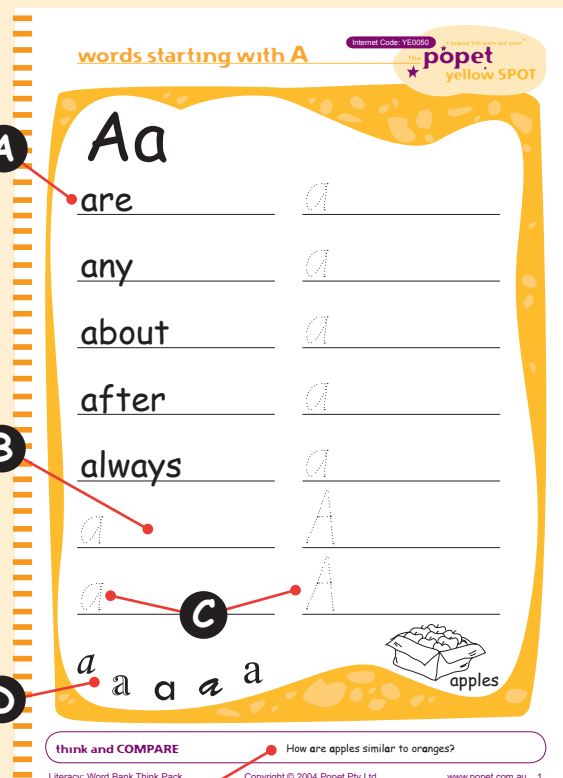
Use the child's writing to find words frequently spelt incorrectly and add these to the Word Bank.

Encourage the child to use the Word Bank as a tool for writing.

Encourage the child to use the Word Bank to proof read and edit his or her writing.

Initiate purposeful reasons for the child to write e.g. write a reminder message for mum, write the weekly shopping list, send an e-mail to a friend.

Reprint additional pages (page 27) as required.



**A**

**B**

**D**

**E**

### PRINTING TIPS



- It is not necessary to print the cover, introduction and parent's guide. These pages can be read and revisited on your computer screen. To save paper and printing costs, print only the eWorksheets; pages 1-26.
- 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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apples

think and COMPARE

How are apples similar to oranges?