

# Play Makes it Stay

A wordtorque Word Inquiry Targeted Workshop

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To consolidate orthographic understanding, knowledge and skills you must focus on both **morphology** and orthographic phonology (**phonics**).

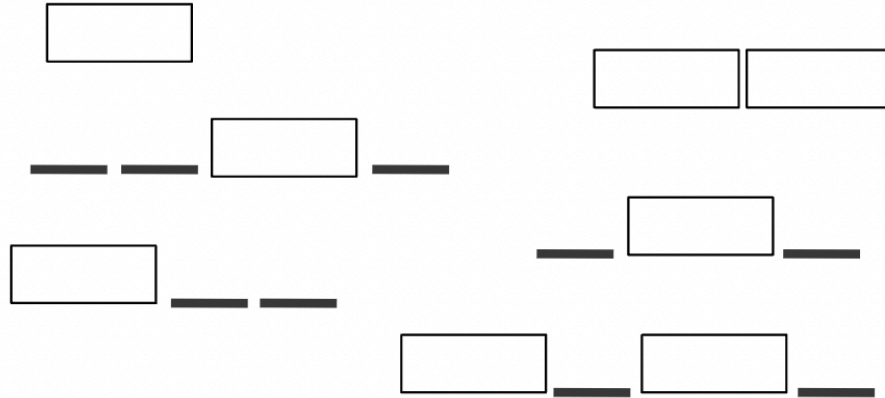
Morphology and Phonics interweave (and etymology should also not be forgotten about).

- Morphology: **Sorting-out Structure** and **Finding Families**
- Phonics: **Looking into Letters** and **Building Bases**

## Sorting-out Structure



How many different morphological word structures are there?



What fits - what doesn't?

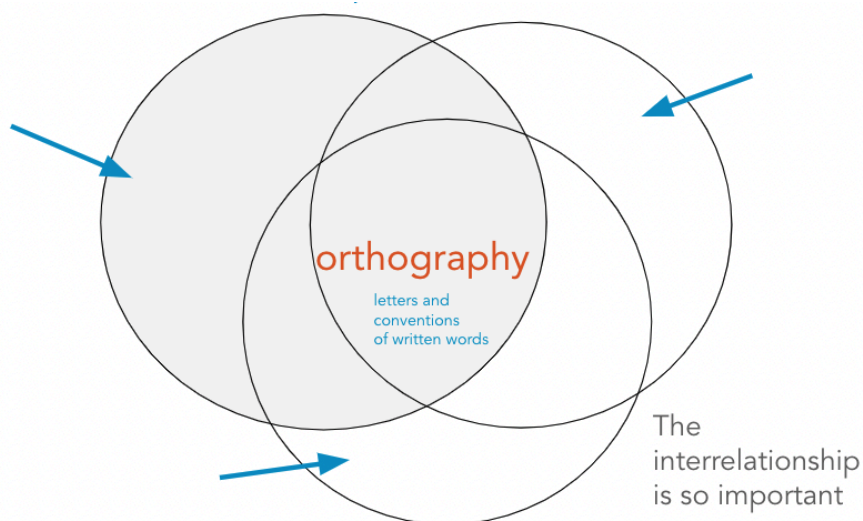


shops      runs  
redo        singers  
singing    unhappy

Morpheme Mix-up! (*Breakout room*)

redo

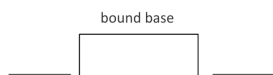
## The Theory



## Investigation or Practice - What's the difference?

## Spaced Retrieval Practice

Review or retrieval



5 minutes daily practice rather than 30 minutes once a week leads to greater retention. Little and often is the key.

## Materials

What do you have, what do you need?

## Activity or Game

# Looking into Letters & Building Bases

## Same Same But Different

has - have

## Change Something

## Building Bases with cards

Read it - Build it - Write it - Tap-spell it

## Build a word



sacks	swims
shops	wishes
singing	batches
weeks	baths

# Finding Families

Do they all belong? Find related words:

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train  
rain  
rainier

fishing  
selfish  
fished

sustainability  
curtain  
stain  
retain

big  
bigger  
biggest

Mix it up!  
Don't always have  
2-in, 1-out

fairy  
fairer  
fairness

social  
society  
associate  
soccer

## Teach the Game first

Many games can be used in different ways depending on your primary purpose. Teach the game then choose your content.

### Card Games

### Circle Games

### Odd One Out Puzzles

Which one do you choose AND WHY

cats	dogs
was	plays

read	ready
rereads	react

go	do
smooth	move

closure	pressured
unsure	sculpture

### Your Exit Ticket

Think of a word in the <tract> family