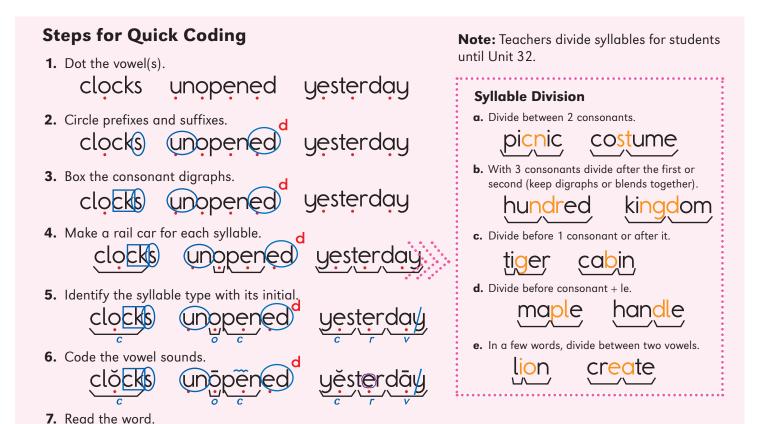
Quick Coding - making word structure visible

Teachers, copy this three page Guide to Quick Coding for your children.

Quick Coding helps you:

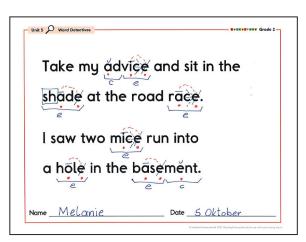
- understand how sounds and syllables work in words.
- show what you know about words in writing.
- remember what you have learned and see how it fits with new learning.
- think about how to read and spell new words.



When is Quick Coding used?

Three activities in the Five Day Unit Plan make use of Quick Coding:

- Whole Class Day 2: Word Detectives
- Independent Day 2: Word list (written by students on Day 1)
- Independent Day 4: Review Sentences



Quick Coded Word Detectives page from TG TR

Guide to Quick Coding marks

You will learn about Quick Coding a little bit at a time. All the ways to mark up words that you will do this year are right here. You can come back to these pages again and again when you need them.

Quick Coding the six syllable types

Syllable Type	Quick Coding	How it looks					
Open Code; o	Make a straight line over the vowel for the Vowel Man to 'sign' his name.	gō	wē	flū	<u>sō</u> lō	<u>sīlent</u>	<u>bānjō</u>
Closed Code; c	Draw a smile over the Vowel Sound who is happy to be protected by a consonant after.	hăt	bĕst	trĭp	ŭntĭl c c	<u>cŏntĕs</u>	ţ
Magic e Code; e	Shoot the magic sparks back over one letter. Make a straight line for the Vowel Man and a slash for the Silent Magic e .	sāfē	nốte	tūn∉	invite c	comple	ēte e
Vowel Team Code; v	A straight line and a slash for teams with Vowel Men. A boot or a foot for the twins. A double curve for the boy called Roy. A water droplet for the troublemaking Walter Walrus.	trāin moon coin	rēal look toy sour	, r	ght accoon v v	māybe v und enjoy c v	window c erstood r v
Robot Code; r	Wrap the captured vowels in the robot's robber sack unless two robots are racing	f@r	st <mark>o</mark> r	e c	ărry r o	paper o r	<u>garden</u>
Candle-L Code; L	The magic sparks from the Silent Magic e gain power from an l candle to fly over one more letter. If it lands on a vowel make a straight line for the Vowel Man's name.	tītle	ēøg	lė p	ouzzlė L	āble L	uncle

Quick Coding consonant digraphs and trigraphs

What?	Quick Coding	How it looks				
Consonant digraphs and trigraphs	Draw a box to show the two letters that make one sound. Add a slash through silent letters.	chin	luck	fi <mark>ll</mark>	knot	gra <mark>ph</mark> bri <mark>dg</mark> e

Prefixes and suffixes

What?	Quick Coding	How it looks				
Prefixes and suffixes	Circle prefixes and suffixes. Show Sleepy Sammy's z sounds.	unwrap asking bikes lunches²				
Suffix -ed	Circle the suffix and show one of the three sounds for -ed .	waited ed roamed packed packed				
Magic suffixes	Circle the magic suffix, draw sparks from the magic vowel over one letter and give the Vowel Man a line to sign.	wáving līked láter sáfest				
Best Friends to the rescue	Make raised arms over the Best Friends to block the magic sparks and a smile over the rescued vowel sound.	swimming rubbed wetter biggest				
Other spelling changes	Show who Yo-yo Man is working for over top of the <i>i</i> . When Vicky Violet takes Fred's place in a plural mark the <i>es</i> like other suffixes.	try tried baby babies lēøf lēøves Knīfe Knīves				

Other sounds and patterns

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What?	Quick Coding	How it looks
Queen and umbrella	Quarrelsome Queen takes her umbrella into words. Show that the u does not count as a vowel sound by underlining qu together.	<u>qu</u> een
Unexpected sounds	Draw a wavy line when letters are making unexpected sounds. Make silent letters with dotted lines or use a slash.	ŝugar sãid t₩o be∉n our
Alternative vowels and schwa	Oscar's Bothersome Little Brother says 'uh' even in some short words. The vowels a, i, and e say 'uh' in some longer words. Just mark them all with a wavy line.	ãbout sốn salãd pretzếl husbãnd
Blue Magic	Spray Blue Magic from the i , e , or y to the c or g to change the sound.	çity fāçe gentle gym magic
Exploding letters	Show where the letters exploded under the apostrophe.	aren't we've they've she'll I'm are not we have they have she will I am
Special syllables	Circle the syllables with a dotted line to remind us of the special sounds.	question nation nature capture