Build a Literacy Foundation One Sort at a Time

Renowned authors Donald Bear, Marcia Invernizzi, Francine Johnston, Shane Templeton, and Lori Helman are back with *Words Their Way Classroom*. This well-loved word-study program is updated for today’s homeschool student, providing effective supplemental literacy instruction in phonics, spelling, and vocabulary. This newly revised edition is available on the best-in-class Pearson Realize™ online platform, so you can easily combine interactive digital word sorts with hands-on student practice.

✔ **PERSONALIZED** Lessons align with the five developmental stages of spelling: Emergent-Early Letter Name, Letter Name, Within Word Pattern, Syllables and Affixes, and Derivational Relations.

✔ **ENGAGING** Take an interactive approach—not just memorization—to teach word knowledge.

✔ **MANAGEABLE** Implement the simple word study routine in just 15-20 minutes per day. Flexible and effective daily lesson plans support teacher-directed instruction, modeling, practice, and applications.
Personalized

Match Spelling Development, Generate Word Study

Teach word study at your student’s developmental spelling stages. *Words Their Way Classroom* meets students’ instructional needs, addressing word recognition, vocabulary, phonics, and spelling.

**DEVELOPMENTAL SPELLING STAGES**

Word study activities target the five research-based stages of spelling. As students progress, they build their skills to spell, read, understand, and use new words. It’s a highly supportive, effective, and personalized approach.
**IMPLEMENTATION GUIDE**

The Implementation Guide is where you will find the Qualitative Spelling Inventory — use it to place your homeschool student in their correct developmental stage of Word Study.

**MONITOR PROGRESS**

Administer spell checks as a spelling pretest to assess prior knowledge, or as a posttest immediately following instruction.
Engaging

Teach Word Knowledge, Not Memorization

Words Their Way Classroom creates word detectives who explore, compare, and categorize word patterns and relationships. It’s a deeper, better way to learn. Students make their own discoveries about how words work.

SORTING DEVELOPS THINKING SKILLS

Sorting encourages students to organize information, analyze, and compare. Students connect ideas and concepts, moving beyond memorization. Three types of sorts are provided:

• Sound Sorts • Picture Sorts • Word Sorts

INCREASE INTEREST, INCREASE ABILITY

The Word Study Notebook contains hands-on sorts and practice activities for one developmental stage. Students cut out the sorting cards and use the sorting mats for developmentally appropriate word work.
MANAGEABLE

Manage It All in Just 15 to 20 Minutes a Day

WEEKLY ROUTINE

The sort is the heart of the program. A simple routine supports teacher-directed instruction, modeling, practice, and applications.

The Teacher Resource Guide provides a simple and effective lesson plan for each sort. The guide includes objectives, routines, differentiated support, and assessment ideas.

WEEKLY WORD STUDY ROUTINE

**DAY 1**

**INTRODUCE/MODEL SORT**
Introduce the pattern with a poem or sort.

One Hot Day

One hot day a dog and hog
Saw a frog hop on a log.
Dog and Hog like the spot
To sit and rest when it is hot.
Frog said, “I know what to do!”
Then Dog and Hog hopped in, too.

**DAY 2**

**STUDENT SORTING**
Let students practice the sort and pattern.

**DAY 3**

**WRITING SORT**
Connect the pattern or skill to writing.

**DAY 4**

**WORD HUNT**
Access the online library to hunt for words and patterns while reading

**DAY 5**

**SORT GAME**
Play engaging word sorting games.
RESOURCES

Words Their Way Classroom is a complete word study program.

- One comprehensive Teacher Resource Guide that includes all five spelling stages and enhanced lesson support for each sort.
- Implementation Guide, with background and getting started support.
- Multiple volume, full-color, consumable student workbooks.
- Complete digital functionality and 6-year access to all five stages on the Pearson Realize™ platform.

WORDS THEIR WAY CLASSROOM ON REALIZE™

Words Their Way Classroom allows for easy combination of interactive online word sorts with hands-on student practice. Students and teachers have access to all five stages with one account.