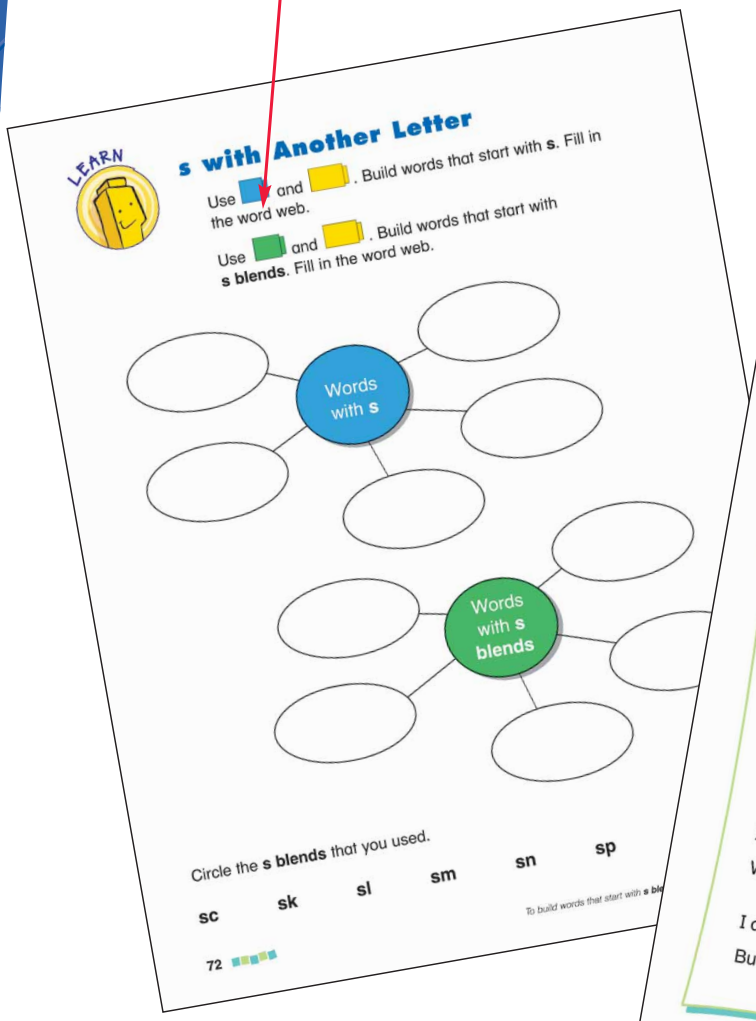
Activities that use Reading Rods provide scaffolding for students while they learn new phonics skills.



Familiar mascots let students know which Reading Rods Kit they will need to complete the activity.

Second graders will have many opportunities to express themselves in fun ways, while personalizing their learning experiences.

Each Unit provides students with opportunities to write about themselves using and reviewing skills and sight words they have learned in that Unit.

Unit 5 and Me

What do you like to do outside? What season do you like best? Write about it! Use words from the Idea Box to help you.

Idea Box

skate	sled	travel	beach	swim
spring	camp	shovel	snow	catch
do	don't	can	can't	not

To use contractions and words with consonant combinations

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Book Review

The Unit 5 mini-book is on pages 153–154.

Bumper Crop

Make your book. Read the book. Then write the answers to these questions.

1. Where does the story take place? _____
2. When does it take place? What is special about this time of year? _____
3. Find a contraction on page 6. Write it. What does it mean? _____
4. Look at the title. Find a word that begins with two consonants. Write the word. _____
5. Find four more words that begin with two consonants. Write the words. _____

To read contractions and words with consonant combinations

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Students read the mini-book in each Unit and answer comprehension and other questions to reinforce the use of phonics skills in context.