What is Rime Magic? **Rime Magic** is a word-recognition resource that’s changing the lives of readers across the country. The rime is the key part of a word that makes it easy to see the structure (for example, the /ip/ in **slippery** or the /at/ in **splattered**). In engaging, five-minute lessons, students add onsets (i.e., beginnings) and endings to the rimes to combine those parts into words and analyze those words—like magic! They learn to see the natural segmentation patterns of the written word—and “crack the code”—using their ability to hear onsets and rimes to make letter-sound correspondences. With practice, students pick up the pace and the rime jumps out at them as they read. Confidence soars and word recognition becomes more and more automatic, leading to enhanced comprehension and fluency.

What’s Inside? Each Kit Contains:

- **Teacher’s Guide**
- **Magic Rime Cards** (two sets – total of 80 cards)
- **Power Pak Cards** (one set – 450 cards representing 30 key rimes with 15 rime-embedded words each for intervention work)
- **Short Vowel and Endings Cards**
- **Poem Cards**
- **Three trade books: What Bears Like** (Cherrington), **Frog and Toad Are Friends** (Lobel), and **Fables** (Lobel)
- **High-interest articles for older readers**
- Access to how-to videos that show each Rime Magic step in action
- Downloadable student pages and teaching tools

**Key Features**

- Each lesson takes no longer than 5-7 minutes – and 10-15 minutes if you add an optional Reinforcement Activity.
- The same easy steps that boost word recognition with older readers, also prevent decoding and word-solving challenges in the primary grades.
- Includes access to online how-to videos that show each Rime Magic step in action.
Magic Rime Cards: The Rest of the Rimes
A set of 45 of the next most common rimes. Students spell words containing the rest of the rimes (Step 6).

Embedded Rime Cards: The Rest of the Rimes
A set of 75 cards with words containing the “rest of the rimes.” Students apply this new set of rimes with all they’ve learned to read increasingly challenging words (Step 6).

Power Pak
An intervention pack of 450 Embedded Rime Cards (15 cards for each of 30 key rimes). Students who need extra support get multiple opportunities to practice applying the first 30 rimes in the context of words (Step 5).

Poem Cards
Two lively short texts that help students apply their Rime Magic skills in context.

Trade Books
Trade book models at three different levels to practice TG/WT/CT reading. More texts for older struggling readers are available for download online.

Online Resource Bank
Go to scholastic.com/RMresources to find:
• How to videos that show each Rime Magic step in action
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“IT works like magic!”
—Sixth grade reader who made a breakthrough in word recognition after bringing home a free guide book in school recognition, meeting her to read grade-level texts.

Rime Magic at-a-Glance

**Introducatory Steps**

**STAGE 1: Review Short-Vowel Sounds (page 134)**

Reread short vowels with students using Poem Cards or short-vowel rimes.

**STAGE 2: Spell One-Syllable Words With Rime Magic (page 134)**

Practice the rimes by saying them three times each, spelling a one-syllable word only here and there, using your fingers as placeholders for the short rimes to be read accurately (Steps 1–3).

**STAGE 3: Introduction Common Inflectional Endings (page 144)**

Briefly practice hearing the endings in two- and three-syllable words.

**STAGE 4: Spell Langer Words With Rime Magic (page 142)**

Continue by spelling the rimes three times each in a routine with students spelling words from the Embedded Rime List or the back of the Magic Rime Cards. Use your fingers to represent the sound in front of the rime, the word content (following the rime), and the ending(s). Share the letters with a rhythm to keep all voices in unison.

**STAGE 5: Identify Embedded Rimes in Longer Words (page 147)**

Students practice identifying the rime in the Embedded Rime Cards as you add them up. They say the rime, and have the word. After students are comfortable with the Embedded Rime Cards, add the Master Embedded Rime Card to the mix.

• Rime Magic Activity #1: Stand-Up Rimes (page 148)
• Rime Magic Activity #2: What’s My Rime? (page 142)
• Rime Magic Activity #3: Highlight the Rime (page 143)

**Steps to do once Steps 1-4 are reviewed**

**STAGE 6: Spell and Read Words Containing the Rest of the Rimes (page 150)**

Spell words with vowels and endings using the Rimes of the Rime cards. Reinforce the word changes that occur when endings are added to words or added in an order. Students then practice recognizing and identifying these rimes in words with ‘the rest of the rimes’ embedded in them.

• Rime Magic Activity #1: Rime Word Spelling (page 146)
• Rime Magic Activity #2: Spelling in the Air (page 142)

**STAGE 7: Power Up With Rime Magic Power Paks (page 150)**

The Power Paks to support smooth recognition of words for more students who have difficulty with letter confusion and blending.

• Rime Magic Activity #1: Rime Word (page 148)